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Mahathir-Video Conference

TECHNICAL GLITCH DISRUPTS PM'S VIDEO CONFERENCING

KUALA LUMPUR, June 19 (Bernama) -- A technical glitch disrupted the video conferencing between Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and overseas Umno clubs.

The scheduled video conferencing between Dr Mahathir and the Ireland, Birmingham, Queensland and Egypt Umno Clubs at the third floor of the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) only went on for several minutes.

The video conferencing started with the Ireland Umno Club.

However, Dr Mahathir and the club's representative could only exchange greetings before the link was cut-off.

Dr Mahathir then contacted the Egypt Umno Club, but the club's representative could not hear his voice.

At the video conferencing, Dr Mahathir also launched the "Overseas Umno Club Directory" which contains addresses and telephone numbers of the clubs.

Currently, there are 44 Umno Clubs with 4,000 members. The United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, Russia, Indonesia, South Korea, Jordan, Japan and Egypt are among the countries.

Overseas Umno Clubs Committee Chairman Datuk Shafie Apdal said two trial runs on the video conference were held and they were successful.

"Only this time, there are technical problems. They (Ireland Umno Club) can hear and see us, but we cannot hear them," he said.

Dr Mahathir also visited the stalls at PWTC's Level Three.

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