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A Message from the Chariman of the Board of Directors

UNIVERSITI Sains Malaysia has had an exciting beginning and after only 35 years, it has come into its own. It has gained national and international recognition as a research-intensive university that has made significant inroads into new and challenging arenas of research that affect society.

I am particularly proud of the achievements of Universiti Sains Malaysia because of my long association with it, witnessing through the years, the innovative and far-reaching thrusts it has taken to reach higher levels and to provide its graduates with a cutting-edge advantage.

Today, the five-fold celebration of the 35th anniversary of the university, the 25th anniversary of the School of Medical Sciences, the 21st anniversary of Hospital Universiti Sains Malaysia, the 10th anniversary of the National Poison Centre and the conferment of an Honorary Doctor of Science degree on Y.A. Bhg Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad makes it a memorable day to remember. It records the great strides made by the university in its quest for teaching and research excellence and the contribution and support of our former Prime Minister in this quest.

The proactive stance taken by the university in its teaching and research endeavours is an affirmation of its strength, fortitude and foresight as it confidently advances to face the challenges of the new millennium.

To the university, Tun Dr Mahathir and the graduating class of 2004, I wish you all the very best.

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