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Hire guards for lorries, firms advised

PUTRAJAYA, Wed. - Transport companies were today advised to engage security personnel to accompany lorry drivers as a safety measure against robberies.

Deputy Home Affairs Minister Datuk Choe Chee Heung said he had received many reports of lorries being robbed while delivering goods such as computers and mobile phones.

The stolen goods were later sold to the public, he said, and warned that action could be taken against those found in possession of such goods.

Choe said this after the pre-launch of the Asian Youth Dialogue (AYD) 2003 which will be held at Federal Hotel in Kuala Lumpur from Aug 28 to Sept 1.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will be officiating at the event, which is jointly organised by The Eight Major Chinese Youth Organisations.

The dialogue will be attended by 200 participants from Malaysia and over 100 participants from East Asian countries.

Topics of discussion will be on youth development, social matters and economics.

President of Young Malaysian Movement Lim Joo Kiat said Malaysians need to improve in international networking.