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(Sideburns yes, but not ... )

SIDEBURNS YES, BUT NOT A BEARD: The Asian Wall Street Journal has got it wrong again. In yesterday's issue, it carried an illustration of a balding man with a beard and captioned it "Mahathir Mohamad". The illustration did not at all resemble clean-shaven Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who has a head full of hair. In fact, the AWSJ illustration mirrored Kuwaiti terrorist Khalid Shaikh Mohammed who was arrested last month in Pakistan. This is the second time in six months that the AWSJ, which is printed in Malaysia, got its facts all mixed up. In its Oct 23, 2002 issue, it carried a Malaysian flag to accompany a story on Indonesian President Megawati Sukarnoputri (inset).