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Razak to study security situation in Sarawak

KUCHING, Tues. — Tun Abdul Razak will visit Sarawak soon for an on-the-spot assessment of the security situation in the State.

"The Prime Minister is very happy with the situation in Sarawak today and intends to come as soon as possible," Datuk Haji Abdul Rahman Yakub told newsmen on his return here from Kuala Lumpur today.

The Chief Minister said he had personally briefed Tun Razak on security developments yesterday.

Datuk Rahman, who was away for about a week, said he had received very encouraging news since Bong Kee Chok and 481 of his men left the jungle.

While the security situation had considerably improved the Government could not afford to be complacent.

Corps renamed

"We have to be always vigilant against a more dangerous threat in the form of trouble-makers," he said.

The Vigilante Corps, now renamed "Rela" would not be disbanded following the end of the insurgency, he said.

"The Government will review the situation from time to time," he added.

Datuk Rahman said that he had discussed with Tun Razak the speedy release of funds for development purposes, especially for land development in Sarawak.

Sarawak had submitted its symbol of a seven-grooved blue wheel with a bunch of padi within, he said.

Later today in **SIMANGGANG**, in Sarawak's Second Division, the "Rumah Kerajaan Simanggang" was renamed "Sri Aman" today to mark the laying down of arms by Bong and 481 of his guerillas.

It was in this building that Datuk Rahman and Bong signed a memorandum of agreement on Oct. 21 last year, virtually ending 12 years of communist insurgency in Sarawak.

The name-changing ceremony was officiated by Datuk Rahman.

The building would be turned into a museum where documents and pictures related to the signing of the agreement would be put on display.

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A BIRTHDAY CONCERT FOR TUN RAZAK

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Konsert Perdana RTM, to be held at the Oditorium Besar, Wisma Radio tomorrow night, is also in honour of Tun Abdul Razak's 52nd birthday, a statement issued by the Information Ministry said today.

Cabinet Minister, heads of diplomatic corps and senior Government officials will be among 1,000 guests to attend the concert.

Encik Johari Salleh will lead the RTM orchestra. Other artistes will include Saloma, Mary Seah Ling Ling, Norli Ismail and V. Madhaven.

It will telecast live over the TV's National Network beginning 8 p.m.

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Razak to open convention

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Tun Abdul Razak will open the First Malaysian Economics Convention on Sunday at Holiday Inn here.

Over 200 economists from the private and public sectors will attend the three-day seminar with the theme "Malaysian Economic Development and Policies."

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SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1974

IMPORTANT MILESTONE IN OUR HISTORY

Peking ties soon: Razak

Tun Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Friday.

TUN Abdul Razak said tonight the talks which started in June last year on the setting up of diplomatic relations with China will be successfully concluded soon.

The Prime Minister was speaking at Datuk Bandar's banquet held at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton to mark the close of Federal Territory celebrations.

He said: "Since last June, we have held a series of official discussions in New York with the Chinese, with a view to the formal establishment of diplomatic relations and the exchange of diplomatic missions.

"These talks have covered the various problems connected with the establishment of diplomatic ties between our two countries."

"I am happy to say that our discussions in New York have been carried out in a friendly and cordial atmosphere and these discussions will be successfully concluded soon.

"With the establishment of diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China, an important milestone would have been reached in our history.

Cornerstone

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Hoarding: Govt intent on weeding out evil

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milestone in the history of Asean.

"But more than the individual projects, more than the formal institutionalisation of Asean is the success of Asean in the last few years in forging a spirit of regional understanding and cohesion among its members.

"The value of this success is difficult to measure but it is to me the single most important achievement of Asean.

"Our regional and non-aligned approach to foreign relations finds its most succinct expression in the proposal for the neutralisation of South-East Asia.

"That proposal is now embodied in the Kuala Lumpur Declaration of Asean countries which has since been endorsed by the Commonwealth Heads of Government Conference as well as by the Non-Aligned Summit." he said.

On inflation, the Prime Minister said there were still discordant notes of criticism from some quarters in spite of what the Government had done to counter the inflationary trend.

The Government spent millions of dollars in subsidising essential items like rice, sugar, flour and kerosene.

The subsidy on textbooks was increased this year to $60 million.

The Government had also taken measures to lessen the hardships of the low-income group by a special relief allowance.

It has also lifted the import quota and excise duties on some essential items.

"It is in this context that the Government takes a serious view of irresponsible actions by certain people to hoard essential commodities so as to obtain excessive profits.

'Evil practice'

"We have no place for hoarders and profiteers in our midst and it is for this reason that the Government is requesting the help of the people to seek out these undesirable elements and give them their due.

"The Government will spare no effort to stop this evil practice and bring the offenders to book."

Tun Razak reminded the people that Malaysia was now passing through the "testing years" and they must be ready to face the numerous problems ahead boldly.

"The nagging problems of inflation will continue to be with us for some time but with united efforts and determination of the Government and the people, God willing, we will endeavour to contain these inflationary trends within reasonable proportion," he said.

Datuk Bandar Tan Sri Yaacob Abdul Latif said a study and survey to provide basic facilities to city dwellers have been completed.

City Hall's role in the development and progress of the city is contained in the Kuala Lumpur Master Plan containing suitable guidelines to achieve the Government's policies.

Tan Sri Yaacob also said his administration would carry out tree planting and city cleaning campaigns to beautify Kuala Lumpur.

"If we want to live in a beautiful and pleasant city and breath clean air, efforts to reclaim the purity of its air, its waters and our living environment must be intensified before it is too late."

The Sunday Times, March 24, 1974

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A sweet note at tribute for Tun

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — A musical tribute for Tun Razak's 52nd birthday at Angkasapuri tonight closed on a sweet note — a surprise cake baked into a rebana ubi, a Malay musical instrument.

To a hearty Selamat Hari Jadi from guests, the Prime Minister cut the cake at a reception after the 90-minute Konsert Perdana.

Among the 1,000 invited guests were Cabinet Ministers, ambassadors, civil servants and inmates from spastic homes.

Fifty musicians, drawn from invited players and the RTM orchestra, were led by conductor Johari Salleh. A keroncong medley was sung by Mary Seah Ling Ling, V. Madhevan and Norli Ismail.

Saloma sang a selection of songs composed by her late husband, actor-director P. Ramlee.

One of the highlights was Ke Makam Pahlawan, a number composed by Johari Salleh in honour of the late Deputy Prime Minister, Tun Dr. Ismail.

Local musicians played together with the orchestra in Antara Tiga Irama. Fadzil Ahmad played on the gambus, Leong Loke Soo on the yang chyn and Yogeswari Nagalingam on the violin.

This is the second year the Konsert Perdana has been held.

The programme was telecast 'live' over TV Malaysia and also Radio Malaysia's National Network.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 1974

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Razak to visit Burma next month

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. — Tun Abdul Razak will make an official visit to Burma early next month, a Burmese embassy spokesman disclosed today.

Tun Razak is expected to be in Rangoon for three days to return the visit of Burma's President, U Ne Win, to Malaysia last June.

Tun Razak will be accompanied by Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah and a modest entourage including the Secretary-General to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tan Sri Zaiton Ibrahim Ahmad.

Informed sources said the two leaders would exchange views on recent international developments, including the question of relations with China. —Bernama.

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THE STRAITS TIMES FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1974

'WE HAVE THE MEN TO WIPE OUT COMMUNISTS'

Tun warns of 'worse than Reds' group

Flowers and red carpet welcome

JERANTUT, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak warned today of the existence of "a group of people worse than the communists".

Speaking at the opening of a secondary religious school at Pulau Tawar, 15 miles from here, the Prime Minister said: "At a time when we face the inflation problem, there exists a group of people who want to create chaos with a view of toppling the elected Government.

"The communist terrorists have been active, but the people should not feel concerned as we have a enough policeman and soldiers to wipe them out.

"They dare to carry out their activities because they know that there is a small group of people who sympathise with them. These people are worse than the communists.

Red carpet

"I am confident that people in this area will always stand behind the Government to wipe out these elements if they try to infiltrate here."

More than 2,000 villagers gave the Prime Minister a rousing welcome as his helicopter landed on the school padang.

Twenty girls lined up the red carpet from the padang to the school to sprinkle him with "bunga rampai." All the 219 pupils of the school also lined up the route.

The Prime Minister said he was happy with the progress achieved by the people in the area.

He said he was happy to know that there were many settlers in the Federal Land Development Authority scheme at nearby Sungei Tekam earning more than $1,000 a month from their rubber holdings.

He urged the villagers to work harder particularly at times of inflation such as at present.

He said Jerantut district was now undergoing a great change. Some of the projects in the area are the building of:

- A hydro-electric dam by Soviet experts;
- A hospital which is expected to be completed early next year;
- A bridge which is expected to be completed in 1977; and
- An airport for tourists to visit Kuala Tahan.

These are in addition to the building of Jerantut new town which will provide opportunities for people in the area to take part in business.

Earlier Tun Abdul Razak said Malaysia could be proud of the progress it had achieved in the field of Islam.

Among the things the Government has done in this field are:

- Giving out grants to build suraus, mosques and religious schools;
- The setting-up of an Islamic research centre;
- Re-organisation of the religious department which will come under his control;
- The setting-up of a missionary board; and
- Raising the economic position of Muslims through agencies such as the Pilgrims' Fund and Management Board and Islamic Fund Board.

The Prime Minister said the Government in its efforts to raise the dignity of Islam as the country's official religion had also provided facilities to those wishing to further their studies at University Kebangsaan and Muslim College.

Rice output

The Government also provided scholarships for further studies in Cairo, Medina and Baghdad.

Later he attended noon prayers at Pulau Tawar mosque and had lunch with the people at the school.

Speaking at the opening of the agriculture centre, at Kampung Temin in the afternoon, Tun Razak said steps would be taken to make Sabah and Sarawak self-sufficient in rice.

Peninsular Malaysia is 90 per cent self-sufficient in rice, he added.

He urged Pahang and Trengganu to make full use of large tracts of swampy areas for rice cultivation so that the country would not need to import rice.

He praised the Pahang State Government particularly the State Agriculture Department for giving emphasis to agriculture.

Malaysia, he said, would continue to be an agricultural country for many years to come.

He called on farmers in the area to make use of the facilities provided by the centre in order to improve their planting technique.

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THE STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1974

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Tun for Burma

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Tun Abdul Razak and Toh Puan Rahah will make a three-day informal visit to Burma next Saturday at the invitation of President Ne Win. The nine-member delegation will include the Secretary-General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tan Sri Zaiton Ibrahim. — Bernama.

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The Sunday Times, March 31, 1974

Razak to lead birthday walk

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — There will be a procession on Prophet Mohamed's birthday next Friday, led by Tun Razak and Cabinet Ministers.

About 12,000 people from Government departments, islamic organisations, students and youth clubs will take part.

The procession will start from the Selangor Club padang going into Jalan Raja, Jalan Tun Perak, Jalan Pudu roundabout, Leboh Raya Foch, Jalan Sultan Abdul Samad, Jalan Sultan Hishammuddin and end at the National Mosque.

Before the procession, a rally will be held at the padang. The Yang Dipertuan Agung and the Raja Permaisuri Agung will be there.

Public talks at mosques on the aspects of Islam have been planned. The theme of this year's celebrations is Islamic Unity Through Practice.

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THE STRAITS TIMES FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1974

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Tun Razak to discuss regional affairs with Ne Win

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — No specific agenda has been drawn up for talks between Tun Abdul Razak and Burmese President Ne Win when the Prime Minister visits Burma on Saturday.

But an official source said the two leaders are expected to discuss general topics concerning the region.

They are also expected to hold discussions on the relations between Malaysia and Burma, the source added.

The three-day informal visit is the first by a Malaysian head of Government to Burma since the country became a republic last month.

Tun Razak, accompanied by Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah and their son Mohamed Nazim, is expected to arrive in Rangoon by a special aircraft just before noon on Saturday.

In the evening, the Burmese President will entertain Tun Razak to dinner at his residence.

On Sunday, Tun Razak will visit the Aung San War Memorial where he will lay a wreath.

Tun Razak and Toh Puan Rahah are also scheduled to visit the world famous Golden Pagoda.

A special programme has been arranged for Toh Puan Rahah.

Tun Razak and Toh Puan Rahah will give a return dinner to the Ne Wins on Sunday evening.

Tun Razak and his party will return home on Monday.

His party will include Foreign Affairs Ministry Secretary General Tan Sri Zaiton Ibrahim, deputy Chief of General Staff Major General Datuk Othman Ibrahim and the Principal Private Secretary to the Prime Minister (Special Duties) Encik Zain Azraai.

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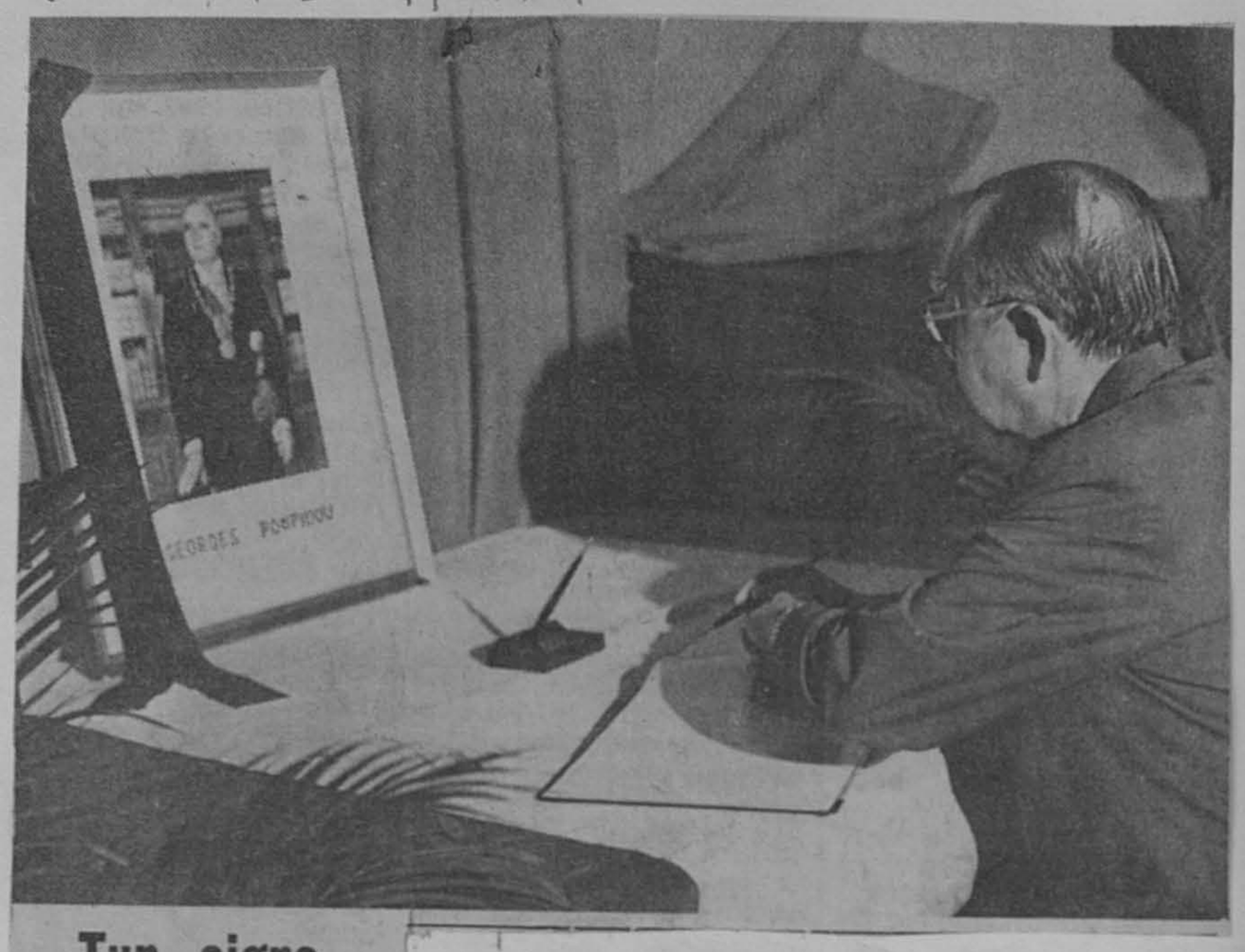

Tun signs Pompidou condolence book

TUN ABDUL RAZAK signing the Condolence Book at the French Embassy in Kuala Lumpur yesterday morning in memory of the late President Georges Pompidou.

Deputy Prime Minister, Datuk Hussein Onn and Communications Minister, Tan Sri Sardon Jubir, also signed the book.

About 60 people signed during the first hour the book was opened.

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TUN LEADS THE WAY

TUN Abdul Razak (with walking stick, left) flanked by the Minister of Home Affairs, Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie (left) and Agriculture and Fisheries Minister Tan Sri Haji Ghazali Jawi (right) leading the procession yesterday.

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THE STRAITS TIMES MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1974

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President Ne Win at airport to greet the Tun

RANGOON, Sun. — Burmese President U Ne Win and Madame Ne Win made an unscheduled trip to the Mingaladon Airport here yesterday to welcome Tun Abdul Razak and Toh Puan Rahah who arrived for a an unofficial visit.

The President and Madame Ne Win greeted Tun Razak and his wife at the airport lounge.

Tun Razak and Toh Puan Rahah and their son, Mohamed Nazim, were earlier, received by Burmese Prime Minister U Sein Win, Madam Sein Win, the Malaysian Ambassador here, Encik Abdul Hamid Pawanchee, and Puan Hanifah.

Tun Razak was dressed in a light brown suit while Toh Puan Rahah was in a floral print baju kurong.

Among VIP's at the airport were ambassadors from Asean countries, and the doyen of the diplomatic corps, Philippines' Ambassador Mr. Pablo Pena.

First visit

Tun Razak, Toh Puan Rahah and their son were accompanied to the State guest house by President Ne Win, Madame Ne Win, Commonwealth heads of missions and several Burmese Cabinet Ministers.

The Malaysian leader was the dinner guest of the Burmese President last night.

Tun Razak will hold talks with Burmese leaders today on bilateral cooperation and the general situation in South-East Asia.

He is the first foreign head of Government to visit the Republic since the formation last month of the new administration with U Ne Win as President and U Sein Win as Prime Minister.

Tun Razak's visit, which is at the invitation of President Ne Win, is his second since he became the Malaysian Prime Minister. His first was in February 1972.

He is also accompanied by the Secretary-General of the Foreign Affairs Ministry, Tan Sri Zaiton Ibrahim Ahmad and the Principal Private Secretary (Special Duties) to the Prime Minister, Encik Zain Azraai. — Bernama.

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NO. PEN : 180/79

— Burma backs Asean's zone of peace: Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. — Burma has reiterated that it would work with Asean when the organisation's neutralisation proposal becomes a reality, Tun Abdul Razak said today.

The Prime Minister, who returned this morning from a three-day visit to Burma, said the Burmese stand was conveyed to him by President Ne Win during their meeting in Rangoon.

"Burma is a non-aligned nation. That is why it has close ties with us," he told newsmen at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport.

Tun Razak said he had "very fruitful" talks with President Ne Win and the Prime Minister, U Sein Win on matters of common interest.

The Burmese President will visit Malaysia on May 24.

Tun Razak said there would be continuous exchange of visits between Malaysian and Burmese leaders.

He said Malaysia and Burma would negotiate for an air services agreement to pave the way for MAS to fly to Burma and the Burmese national air carrier to come here.

Air pact

Tun Razak said he also told President Ne Win about Malaysia's relations with China.

"I told the President that we have almost concluded bilateral negotiations with China and that we hope to have an agreement on diplomatic relations very soon," he added.

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Tun Razak returns—yesterday's picture.

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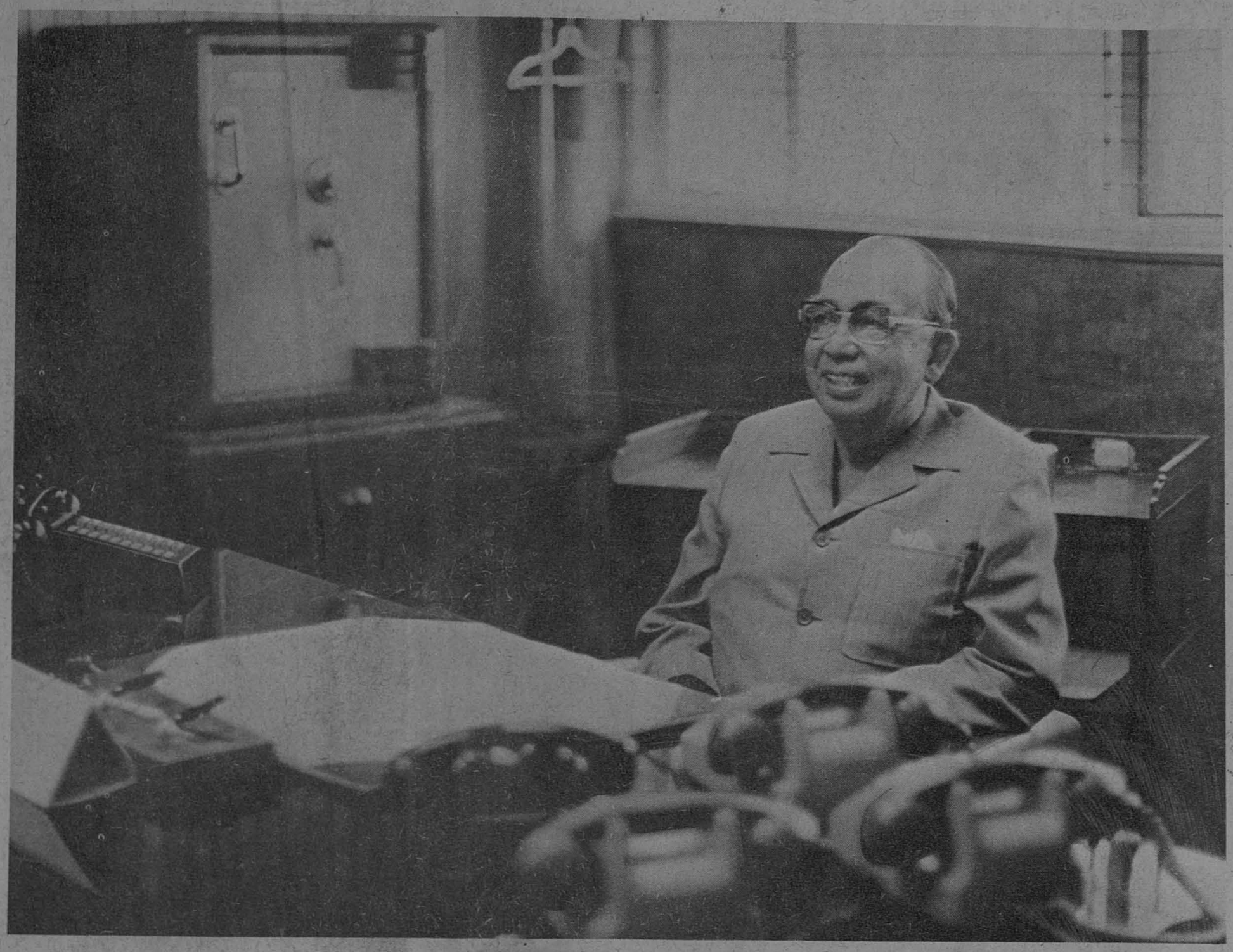

The Prime Minister at Tun Tan's desk

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak, who took over the Finance portfolio when Tun Tan Siew Sin resigned on Monday, took his seat as Finance Minister on a visit to the Treasury today.

He was at Tun Tan's old desk for only a few minutes but he spent more than an hour being briefed on the various activities of the Ministry by the Treasury's Secretary-General, Tan Sri Chong Hon Nyan.

He also had a discussion with Deputy Finance Minister Datuk Mohamed Rahmat.

Among those at the briefing in the Treasury's conference room were heads of divisions in the Treasury.

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THE STRAITS TIMES FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 1974

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Ranita meets her new boss...

CIK Ranita Hussein, Assistant Treasury Solicitor, is introduced to Tun Abdul Razak, who visited the Treasury in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

It is understood he will make regular weekly visits to the Treasury now that he has taken over the Finance portfolio from Tun Tan Siew Sin, who resigned on Monday.

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Suharto may visit Penang for talks with Razak

JAKARTA, Thurs. — President Suharto may visit Penang next month for unofficial talks with Malaysian Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak on matters of common interest, informed sources said today.

The Indonesian leader is to reciprocate Tun Razak's visit to Palembang, South Sumatra, last year when they held discussions on international and bilateral issues, according to the sources.

Tun Razak is expected to brief President Suharto in Penang on Malaysia's plan to recognise China and his possible visit to Peking.

Both Indonesian and Malaysian Embassy officials here said they had nothing official on the President's possible visit to Penang.

A palace spokesman said President Suharto would visit West and North Sumatra early next month.

Meanwhile, the independent English language Indonesian Observer speculated today that President Suharto might reshuffle his Cabinet soon.

Shake-up

"There may be some shake-up administratively but changes always must occur in any Government system," the paper said in an editorial.

"Could it be that President Suharto might take steps in the direction of establishing a strong and clean government? Indications may well be taken into consideration although the factor of time has to play its own specific role," the paper said. — Reuter.

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AWARDS FOR HIS BOOK AND THREE STORIES

A don wins top Razak prize

From left Encik Kamaluddin Mohamed, panel secretary, Datuk Abdullah and Encik Abdullah Majid, Tun Razak's Press Secretary.

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Universiti Sains Malaysia lecturer Shahnon Ahmad was the top winner of the 1973 Tun Abdul Razak Literary Awards with his novel, Srengenge, and three short stories.

Encik Shahnon will receive a total of $5,250 from Tun Razak at a ceremony to be held at the Lake Club on Saturday evening.

Seventeen other people also won awards for poetry, short stories, drama, anthologies of poetry, novels and essays and literary criticism.

The announcement was made at a Press conference by Tun Razak's Political Secretary, Datuk Abdullah Ahmad, on behalf of the permanent chairman of the awards panel, Home Affairs Minister Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie.

Encik Shahnon won $3,000 for his novel and $750 each for the three short stories.

Poet and artist Abdul Latiff Mohidin won $2,600 for his anthology of poetry, Sungai Mekong (Mekong River), and two poems.

Encik Latiff will receive $2,000 for the anthology and $300 for each of the poems.

Other winners

Other winners are S. Othman Kelantan ($2,210), Baharuddin Zainal, ($2,100), Mohamed Haji Salleh, ($2,000), Syed Alwi, Hashim Awang and Fatimah Busu, ($1,500), Noorjaya Azizi Haji Abdullah, Zaid Ahmad, Anwar Ridhwan,

LATIFF MOHIDIN
. . . wins $2,600

MOHAMED SALLEH
. . . wins $2,000

FATIMAH BUSU
. . . wins $1,500

recommendations for future awards which would be announced by Tun Razak during the presentation ceremony.

Members of the panel who chose the winners were Encik Samad Ismail of the New Straits Times, University of Malaya's Dr. Abu Bakar Hamid and Dr. Khoo Kay Kim, Universiti Kebangsaan's Puan Siti Hawa Salleh, Sabah Director of Education Omar Hashim, Encik Usman Awang and Encik Kamaluddin Mohamed.

BAHARUDDIN ZAINAL
. . . wins $2,100

THE STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 1974

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Razak to open Asian labour conference

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Tun Abdul Razak will open the International Labour Organisation Asian Advisory Committee's conference at the Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman here on May 2.

A spokesman of the Labour and Manpower Ministry said today the nine-day meeting would discuss two main items:

- Human resources development in rural areas, with emphasis on income and conditions of work; and
- Role and effectiveness of Labour Ministries in Asia.

The Asian Advisory Committee comprises 28 members — 14 Government members, seven employer members and seven worker members.

Malaysia will be represented by the MTUC secretary general, Encik S.J.H. Zaidi as workers' member and Encik G.Y.L. Lee as employers' member.

The other member countries are Australia, Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Sri Lanka, Philippines, Soviet Union, Thailand, South Vietnam, Pakistan and Iran.

Representatives of inter - governmental organisations like Ecafe, Unicef, Unesco and Fao are also expected to attend.

The Director-General of the ILO, Mr. Francis Blanchard, is expected here on April 29. — Bernama.

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A new kind of award for our writers

NOVELIST Shahnon Ahmad receiving his prize from Tun Razak. His novel, Srengenge (The Sun) and three short stories won him $5,250. — Sunday Times picture.

Kuala Lumpur, Sat.

FUTURE winners of the annual Tun Razak Literary Awards will be assessed on the quality of their work as a whole rather than on individual publications.

The awards, like the American Pulitzer Prize, will be gradually broadened to do more justice to writers who consistently produce good work.

Tun Razak, speaking at the 1973 literary awards prize-giving at the Lake Club here tonight, said the awards panel would be reorganised.

He said the judging methods would be expanded until the awards become much more coveted, like the Nobel Prize for literature.

The literary awards were launched in 1971 to encourage Malaysian writers to produce more works of quality. Tun Razak said it had achieved its aim.

New panel

He said he had decided to dissolve the present awards panel and appoint a new one with new functions because of the new awards.

The present panel, under Home Minister Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie, had given him valuable assistance in helping to select works of literary merit, he added.

"No words can describe my gratitude to the members on their good work and sacrifice.

"Each one of them has the right to be praised for his deeds and dedication towards the development and progress of literature."

He suggested that big publishers like the New Straits Times Press and Utusan Melayu should provide part of the prize money, because more writers would be rewarded in future.

"I feel it is not fair to allow the Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka to shoulder the burden alone, as it had done in the past three years, for future awards which might be shared by more individual writers.

"The Dewan Bahasa will provide the awards to individual writers who win under the new selection system and will also publish their works."

Co-operate

He urged writers to co-operate with the Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka to encourage and develop Malaysian literature.

The Prime Minister said he would advise

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THE STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 1974

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ASSETS OF MPs: 81-20 'NO' TO PRIVATE BILL

Matter of principle, says Tun

KUALA LUMPUR, Tuesday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK told the Dewan Rakyat today why he opposed "as a matter of principle" a proposal to require MPs to make public their financial interests.

The Prime Minister said the proposal was unfair to MPs "who are persons of integrity and distinction and who receive no fixed salary."

He was speaking against a motion introduced by the independent member for Seberang Tengah, Encik Mustapha Hussain, who was seeking leave to introduce a private members's Bill.

The motion which was subsequently rejected by 81 votes to 20, reads:

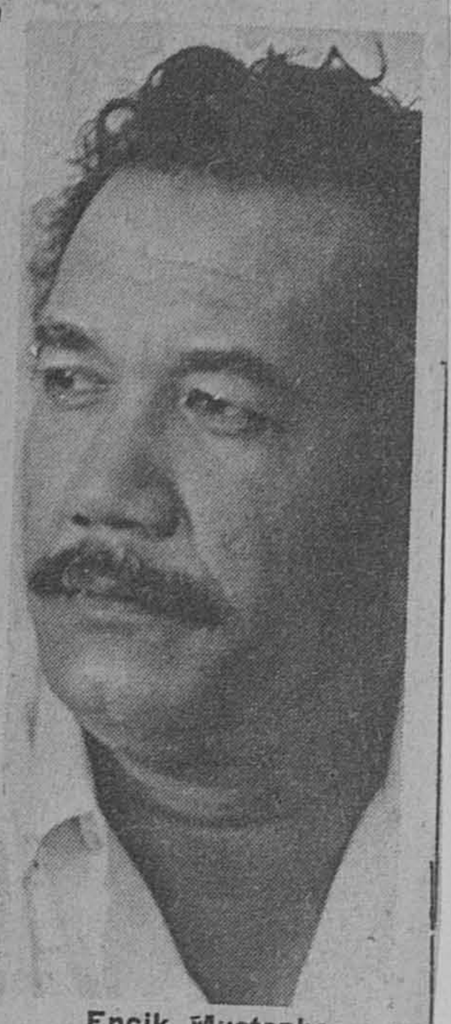
"That this House, realising that the people are having a lot of suspicion that the elected representatives are abusing their privileges to make money, either themselves directly or through their wives or through their nominees and to wipe out once and for all this suspicion, grant leave to the member for Seberang Tengah to introduce a Bill entitled 'The Declaration of Financial Interests by members of Parliament Act, 1974' the aim of which is to have a public register showing all financial interests of all the members elected by the people so that the people will know whether the members they elected are really and sincerely serving the people or serving their own selfish ends."

In Britain

Tun Razak said he was opposing the motion as a matter of principle.

"As members are aware," he said, 'this House is the highest and supreme legislative body in the country. This is the case in other countries, too.

Assets of MPs: Up to the people finally



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their counterparts in Britain.

"In Britain, MPs get full pay and the salaries are high, too. They can be said to be working full time for eight months in a year and their meetings last until the small hours of the morning.

"In our country, MPs and State Assemblymen are only paid fixed allowances, except Ministers, Deputy Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries, who receive full pay and allowances.

"In view of this, it is unfair for us to reveal for public consumption information on the personal interests of members of this House."

The Prime Minister said Ministers and Deputy Ministers were subject to specific rules.

Full time

"They are required to inform the Prime Minister of their personal interests in writing before they take office.

"Ministers are required to devote their time and energy to their work. They cannot carry on other business."

Tun Razak said if MPs were given a salary as was the case with Ministers and deputy Ministers, they too could devote their time completely to their Parliamentary duties and need not carry on with their professions or business.

He emphasised that business was being carried out not only by MPs from the Government side but from the Opposition as well.

A matter of principle was involved, he said.

At present, MPs were given an "insufficient allowance", and it would be difficult to ask them not to take part in business.

"Furthermore, I feel that MPs have no influence or power. Power is vested only in Ministers, Deputy Ministers and Government officers," he said.

"I believe our practice is fair and appropriate under the circumstances.

"If matters involving an individual are brought up during a debate in the House, it is up to the Member concerned to state his interest in it.

"In other words, it is up to all MPs to follow the norm according to the principle of Parliamentary democracy."

Tun Razak stressed that it was important for MPs to safeguard their position and reputation.

It was also the responsibility of political parties to safeguard their members' position and reputation.

If any politician was misusing his position and privileges, it was up to his party and the people to ensure that he is not elected to Parliament.

Tun Razak said: "It must be remembered that in a democratic system the best control is the people themselves.

"They must use their judgment fairly and justly and only choose those whom they know to be honest and sincere to serve the people.

"We have to place our trust in the people and the voters as they are the ones who decide who are qualified to represent them in this house."

Voters' doubts

In introducing the motion, Encik Mustapha said: "If MPs are close to the people, they will find out that the masses have doubts about some of their representatives.

"The doubts arise because the people think MPs use their power for personal interest through their wives, brothers and sisters or their representatives."

His Bill would allow the people to know how some MPs had become rich, he said.

'I urge all MPs to support my motion. This Bill will not only erase the people's doubts, but also create a new breed of honest and dedicated legislators truly working for the people."

He quoted a pantun, which translated into English is: "Brave when we are right, afraid when we are wrong."

Encik Hashim Gera (Ind.-Parit) urged the Government and MPs to accept the motion. He also spoke of doubts in people's minds about where the MPs' money came from.

"The House should support the motion so that the people need not doubt the Government," he said.

Mr. V. David (Pekemas-Datuk Keramat), said the Bill would provide a code of behaviour and conduct for the country's legislators.

'Every 6 months'

He said the public had a right to know the source of income of every MP. "They have the right to know haw and where his money comes from and how it goes out."

Many people in official positions were doing business in the names of relatives, he said.

Mr. Ng Hoe Hun (Ind-Larut Selatan) said MPs with a clean slate should vote for the motion.

Mr. Lim Cho Hock (DAP-Batu Gajah) said the integrity of some MPs and State Assemblymen was in question. "What will the people think when they see a State Assemblyman or MP becoming rich after he is elected?" he asked.

Mr. Lim said MPs and State Assemblymen should declare their assets periodically, preferably once every six months.

Encik Luhat Wan (SNAP-Baram) said MPs who were sincere and honest should support the motion.

The motion was defeated by 81 votes to 20. Alliance MPs and their colleagues in the National Front voted against it. Those from the DAP, SNAP and Pekemas joined the three Independent MPs in supporting the motion.

TUN'S ANTI-INFLATION PACKAGE

Govt subsidies up to $400m.

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inflation could not be controlled by the Government alone.

"If the nation is earnest about curbing inflation, then all segments of society should make their contribution," he said. "The Government for its part will provide, where possible, the opportunity for the rakyat to play its role.

"With the increased incomes from export earnings, rubber smallholders in particular and all others connected with rubber, palm oil and tin production should be encouraged to increase their savings.

"The current high prices for these commodities cannot continue indefinitely and it is, therefore, necessary to increase savings now so that they can be put to more productive use when the need for funds is greater.

Close watch

"It is for this reason that interest rates will be raised and loans for unproductive purposes reduced."

Tun Razak reminded the House that in winding up the Budget debate last year, he had indicated that the Government's actions against inflation should not be regarded as a once-and-for-all exercise.

"I emphasised then that we would continue to watch the situaion closely and would act from time to time on a long-term basis.

"In the past few months the Government has taken a wide array of measures to counter inflation. In June last year the ringgit was allowed to float upwards.

"In October, the Government granted temporary special relief allowances to lower income employees and the private sector has begun to follow suit.

"From this year, the Government will help needy pupils from all schools to buy textbooks.

"In the meantime, monetary policy was tightened up gradually. Import duties on many items, especially on essential goods were withdrawn either fully or partially and some export restrictions were introduced.

"An anti - hoarding campaign against traders who intended to make undue profit on essential goods was started recently and is in progress throughout the country.

"I am happy that the public is co-operating with the Government and this campaign has produced satisfactory results.

"The Government has provided in recent months substantial subsidies for essential goods. These subsidies, together with taxes and duties that have been waived, are already estimated to total more than $400 million in 1974.

"It is anticipated that this subsidy will increase further towards the end of the year when we have to import further supplies of fertilizers for our farmers.

Money supply

Tun Razak said that money supply rose by over 33 per cent every month last year over the corresponding months of 1972 and had continued to rise.

"In the first quarter of this year it rose by 33 per cent over the same period last year. The growth of money supply in early 1974 is not in line with the estimated increase in GNP for 1974. Too much money is continuing to chase too few goods ....

"In 1973 rubber, palm oil and tin prices rose by 76 per cent, 51 per cent and 10 per cent respectively.

"However, in the first quarter of this year alone, rubber, palm oil and tin prices have risen by 85 per cent, 133 per cent and 65 per cent over the corresponding period last year.

"In spite of the exceptionally high base achieved last year when exports rose by $2,500 million, export receipts are expected to increase even further by about 11 per cent this year to reach about $9,000 million.

"The impact of our export earnings on domestic prices will be appreciated when it is realised that they constituted 50 per cent of the GNP in 1973 as compared to 41 per cent in 1972.

The package

"In the light of the substantial and continuing increase in export earnings, and in money supply there is a need for us to take further anti-inflationary action at this stage.

"Accordingly, I shall amount of surcharge payable on every pound of rubber exported will increase progressively from 2 to nearly 13 cents when the price is more than 70 cents, but not exceeding $1.30 per pound.

"When the price exceeds $1.30 per pound, a flat rate of 10 per cent will apply.

"It is estimated that this charge will generate about $87 million additional revenue for a full year on the basis of an average price of 82 cents per pound."

For palm oil, when the price exceeds $800 per ton, the marginal rate of export duty is to be increased by 5 per cent for every increase of $100 until the price reaches $1,500. Thereafter, the marginal rate of duty is to be increased by 15 per cent.

An export surcharge has also been introduced.

A full year

Both these measures will generate about $32 million additional revenue for a full year from palm oil at an average price of $1,000 per ton.

The export surcharge on tin is expected to generate about $23 million additional revenue for a full year on the basis of an estimated average annual price of tin of $900 per pikul.

Tun Razak said that the total additional revenue of about $142 million for a full year represented only about 2.8 per cent of the estimated total export receipts from rubber, palm oil and tin in 1974, "and only about 35.5 per cent of the estimated total costs which have already been incurred by the Federal Government in its various subsidy programmes."

All these measures came into force at 4 p.m. today.

Tun Razak said he was sure that "even our most severe critics will agree that this Government has taken many bold steps to combat inflation."

"However, the public must play its role, too, if our efforts are to bring the desired results.

"Spending on luxuries should be discouraged and we should adopt austerity in our daily lives. Unless our people are prepared to reduce spending, it will be difficult to combat inflation.

"As is true with most problems we face in our daily lives, we cannot depend on the Government alone to solve our problems.

"I would like to assure the House and the country that the Government is determined and is firmly resolved to take whatever action considered necessary to combat inflation.

"We will continue to watch the situation closely and carefully and will take further measures as and when the need arises.

"In this continuing effort to counteract inflationary trends, I would like to call on our people generally and the business community in particular to give their co-operation, their understanding and support so that our country will continue to achieve expanding economic growth within the context of our financial stability."

A statement issued by the Governor of Bank Negara gave the following new maximum rates of interest on fixed deposits (with change in brackets): One month 4½% (+½); three months 6½% (+½); six months 7% (+¾); nine months 8% (+1); 12 months 9% (+1).

The statement explained that the decision to limit the rate of growth of bank loans and advances in 1974 to 20 per cent above the December 1973 level of $4,867 million means that the commercial banks will be permitted to increase their loans by nearly $1,000 million this year.

"Loans and advances for productive purposes will continue to be accorded priority, while credit for speculation and unnecessary consumption will continue to be discouraged," the statement added.

"The new anti-inflationary policy package announced by the Prime Minister is expected to have a strong dampening effect on the present inflationary situation.

"In particular, the new export duty rates, the higher bank deposit rates and the institution of a National Savings Corporation should help siphon off significant amounts of excess funds in the hands of the public."

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Tun Razak being welcomed by Tan Sri Syed Jaafar Albar. At right is the foundation chairman, Tan Sri Syed Nasir.

A balanced outlook for country

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. — Tun Abdul Razak reaffirmed today the Government's commitment to create a new breed of citizens imbued with "high moral values" and yet "progressive in science and technology".

In achieving this the Government would have to strike a balance between material and spiritual development, the Prime Minister told representatives of various Muslim missionary organisations at their meeting here.

The meeting was called by the Malaysian Islamic Missionary Foundation to discuss ways of intensifying efforts in propagating the religion.

Tun Razak said the Government would play its part in intensifying missionary work but reminded Muslim organisations that they must stress the link between religion and progress.

He urged the Foundation to undertake research and assist in such efforts.

The present rat race had resulted in a tendency for people to over-emphasise material wealth as inspired by the liberal social concept and this would make missionary work even more difficult.

It would not be easy to change the attitude and views of the people, especially the younger generation. Hence strategy and technique were necessary for the task.

Earlier, Tun Razak explained that although the country was experiencing intensive development, particularly in the economic and social sectors, efforts were not only directed at the material aspect of progress but also at the spiritual needs of the people.

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Women cops getting equal salary

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. — Policewomen now draw the same salary as their male counterparts, Tun Abdul Razak told the Dewan Rakyat today.

Replying to Mr. V. David (Pekemas - Dato Keramat), the Prime Minister said the recent pay rise for policewomen was in line with the Suffian Salaries Commission's principle that "women should get the same pay as men

"If women and men workers perform similar duties with equal responsibilities, and are subject to the same conditions of service, they will be given equal pay," Tun Razak said.

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Peking ties talks in final stages: Tun

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. —Negotiations to establish diplomatic relations with the Peoples' Republic of China are in the concluding stages and a statement will be made "at the appropriate time," Tun Abdul Razak told the Dewan Rakyat today.

Replying to a question by Mr. V. David (Pekemas-Dato Keramat), the Prime Minister said: "There is no question of delay.

"Complex problems are involved in these negotiations and their resolution naturally takes time."

Tun Razak refused to answer a question by Mr. Ng Hoe Hun (Ind-Larut Selatan) if the establishment was being held up because of negotiations on the status of a quarter million Chinese resident here without Malaysian citizenship.

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WE'LL EXPOSE YOU, TUN WARNS EXTREMISTS

Why they oppose the Front

ALOR STAR, Thursday.

TUN RAZAK has named the groups who oppose the National Front concept, the unity of Malays, and Malay co-operation with other races.

They are the Partai Rakyat, the Umno and PAS dissenters, the extremists, the hard-core militant communists, and the chauvinists using language and Chinese education issues, he said.

Tun Razak, addressing an Alliance-PAS rally here tonight, said some Umno and PAS members had become dissenters because they had not been chosen to any position in the parties.

"These groups, I believe, may contest the coming general election as independents," he said.

"We are not afraid of them because we know they will not win the people's confidence. The electorate will only support those candidates nominated by their parties."

He said the extremists were subversive elements who used religious and racial issues to win the people over.

"We are observing their activities and we know who they are. We will expose them later," he said.

The dangers

The two major dangers the nation was now facing were militant communists and chauvinism.

The country's success in overcoming these dangers would depend on the flexibility of the leaders and their ability to face realities in any situation.

"Our leaders have been able to do this because they always keep in close touch with the masses," Tun Razak said.

"This they must continue to maintain so that we do not suffer what

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Volante, Northern Breeze, Think Tank and **Sincerely Yours** will find plenty of support and **Family Rose, The Gambler, Libertad, Happy Climax** and **Persian Pete** all have useful recent form.

Eager

Volante (Wilson Liew), worked over the straight course with **King Candy** (engaged in Class 2, Div. 2).

Northern Breeze was eager to go as he raced down the straight course

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Tun on need for a balanced growth

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak has called for a balanced development of both the urban and rural population so that harmony and stability may be maintained, especially in a multi - racial society.

"Much has been done and will continue to be done for the organised industrial workers and I think it is high time that the focus of attention be given to the rural agricultural population who are by and large self-employed," the Prime Minister said.

He was addressing the 16th session of the Asian advisory committee of the International Labour Organisation at the Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman.

The rural population in Asia, the Prime Minister said, was undergoing a gradual change and this would not only determine the pattern of cultural and economic growth but also determine the future destiny of the respective nations.

Women's role

He called for more emphasis to be placed on enhancing the role of women by providing them with better opportunities for training and the acquiring of skills.

He said women have been accepted as an integral part of a nation's manpower resources and in many Asian countries today there was a marked trend towards increased employment of women in all sectors of the economy.

However, they still faced limited chances of entering skilled jobs due to lack of proper training.

Tun Razak was happy to note that the conference would discuss the role required of Asian governments in formulating and implementing protective labour laws and in acting on policies concerning employment, wages and income.

"They should also concern themselves with other unspecified categories of workers, including those who are self - employed.

On efforts to improve the lives of the rural population, the Prime Minister said Malaysia's present policy on this was spelt out in the Second Malaysia Plan.

The Government had developed over half a million acres of land and settled about 29,000 families in the various land settlement schemes.

There had also been a small decline in the overall rate of unemployment.

"But despite these encouraging achievements, there is still an abundance of manpower which can be fruitfully utilised," he said.

"Our current industrialisation drive, especially bringing industries to the smaller towns and rural areas will hopefully absorb this surplus labour."

Urban drift

Tun Razak said another recent development which was likely to change the basic character of Malaysia's social, economic and agricultural life was the establishment of the Farmers' Organisation Authority.

Tun Razak said in most developing countries, population pressure in the rural areas was coupled with lack of employment opportunities which resulted in large-scale urban drift, particularly among youths.

The Prime Minister said that in the light of Malaysia's own experience, rural development and settlement had proved to be a practical solution to relieving urban unemployment.

Tun Razak meeting members of the ILO committee after he opened its meeting yesterday. On his left is ILO director-general Mr. Francis Blanchard.

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Tun on education and skills

TEACHERS' DAY ROUND-UP: PAGE 5

Meeting our manpower needs

KUALA LUMPUR, Thursday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK said today the national education system should ensure that this country's manpower needs will be met in all fields, particularly in science and technology.

"Only then will we be able to raise the standard of living of the people," he added when launching the Teachers' Day celebrations at the Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman.

"Present day development requires people of high specialisation and qualification," he said. "The standard of living throughout the country has risen and consequently, the demand for goods and services has increased job opportunities and the need for skilled manpower.

"We must be carefui not to allow an unhealthy situation to arise where school-leavers are not able to meet the needs of society.

"Progress in industry, agriculture and commerce requires trained and skilled manpower, such as artisans, technicians, engineers, architects, doctors scientists, accountants and administrators.

"The progress of this nation depends on our capacity to meet the challenges of science and technology on our generation and the generation to come," he said.

The Government, to ensure the success of the national objectives, had taken various steps to increase places in the institutions of higher learning, he said.

This was to ensure that the growing needs for scientists, doctors, engineers, architects and science teachers would be met.

He expressed satisfaction over the choice of this year's theme: "The Role of Teachers in the Age of Science and Technology."

Problems

Tun Razak said that although much progress has been achieved in education, the Government was aware that there were still many problems.

The building of more residential science schools and provision of more hostel places in schools, the introduction of the textbook loan scheme and other measures had been taken to give every child a fair chance to realise his full potential.

He added that children should also be given character training.

The chairman of the Teachers' Day national celebration committee, Mr. Kum Boo, said that representatives of teachers' unions and associations had agreed on the setting up of a Teachers' Foundation.

Prize-giving

TUN ABDUL RAZAK chatting with some of the teachers at yesterday's ceremony.

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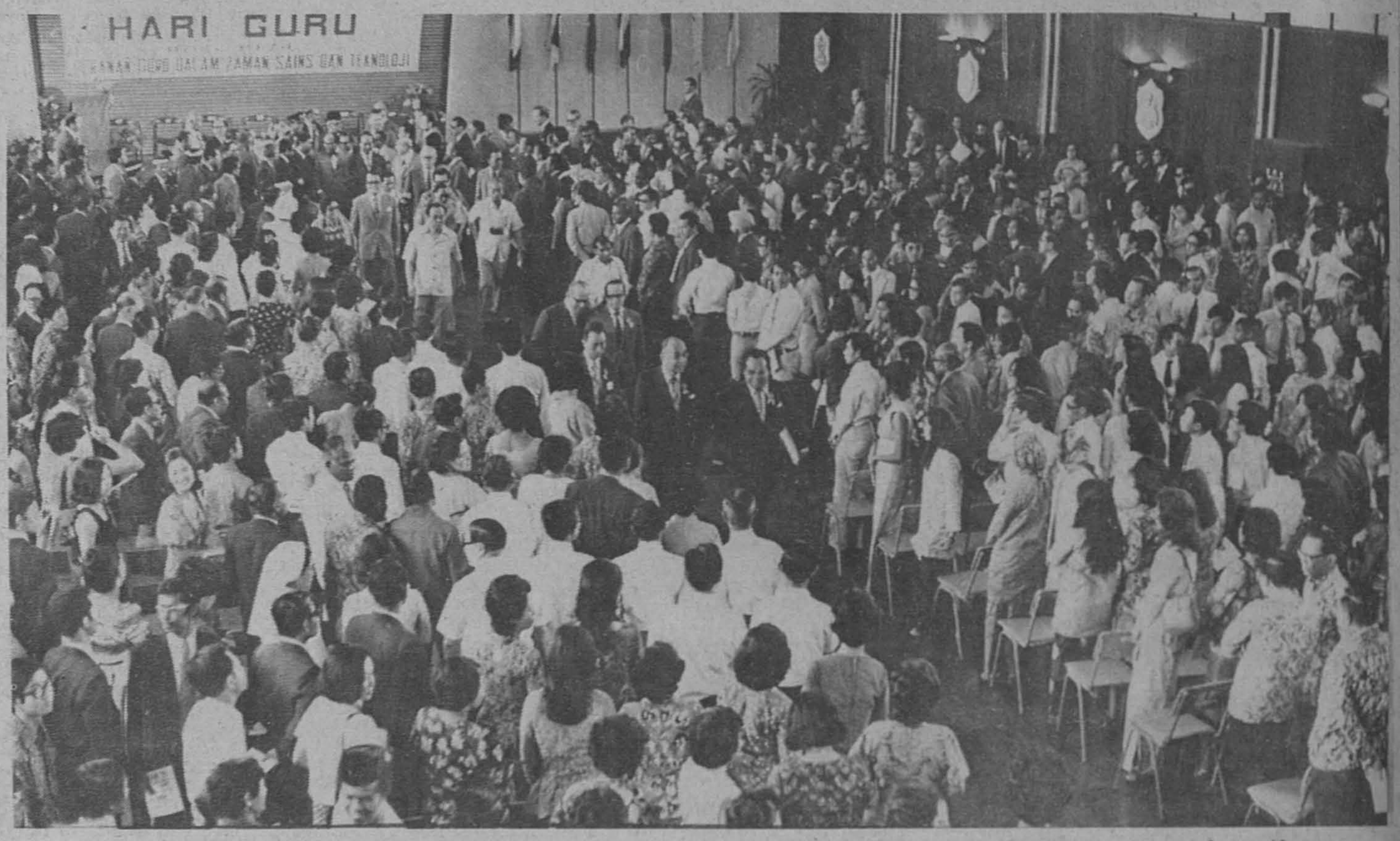
AND FOR PUPILS — SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR HALF A DAY

All for Sir — three days of grand rejoicing

TUN RAZAK presenting Encik Arif Don of Film Negara the first prize of $500 for the Teachers' Crest designing contest.



TUN RAZAK leaves the Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman after launching the Teacher's Day celebrations.

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak launched the three-day Teachers' Day celebrations this morning with a special assembly of teachers at Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman here.

It was half-day for students as schools throughout the country began their own three-day celebrations.

Various events — aimed at bringing teachers, pupils and their parents together, as well as to further highlight education — have been organised.

A three-day seminar on teaching also began today at Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka.

A three-day art exhibition with over 100 items will also be held at the Dewan and on Friday a cultural show.

State celebrations for Selangor is being held in Klang. This includes an art exhibition, blood donation, and a dinner and cultural show at Dewan Hamzah.

In Penang, the National Union of Teachers will hold a Teachers' Day dinner-and-dance at Dragon Palace, Hotel Merlin, on Saturday.

"This function is open to all teachers, whether or not they are members of the union," Mr. Teoh Cheng Phen, the union secretary said.

Token gifts donated by Messrs Henry David Sdn. Bhd., will be presented to the first 200 guests arriving at the dinner.

In Alor Star, the Education Ministry's director of planning and research, Encik Abdul Rahman Arshad, urged teachers to instil in pupils the concept and values of the modern man.

Modern man

Speaking at a ceremony at the Sultan Abdul Hamid College to mark Teachers' Day, he added that the modern man was one who was efficient, orderly, sincere, dedicated and co-operative and at the same time knew how to separate materialism from spiritualism.

In Kangar, about 1,000 teachers will take part in the week-long celebration at state level beginning on May 20.

In Ipoh, the State Secretary, Encik Ishak Tadin, told teachers to always bear in mind their delicate role in nation-building.

He was speaking at the opening of Teachers' Day celebrations by the Teachers' Day Training College.

Teachers should hold a humanitarian attitude towards their pupils and help them with their problems, he said.

The day-long programme at the college included singing, cultural dances, quiz, sports and visits to the blind and oldfolks homes.

Schools throughout the state also carried out their own Teachers Day programmes.

In Kuching, the State Local Government Minister, Mr. Leopold Linggi Jugah, said that the education department plans to establish two new form six classes each year until 1978.

In launching the state celebrations, Mr. Jugah, who is also responsible for education, said that a junior college was also being planned. The project will be financed by the World Bank.

In Kota Kinabalu, Chief Minister Datuk Haji Mustapha bin Datu Harun urged teachers to play other roles in society besides that of as educators.

He also stressed the importance of science and technology and said that teachers should be knowledgeable in this two fields.

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Right on the dot

KING AND RAZAK WELCOME BURMESE PRESIDENT AT AIRPORT

Ne Win, Tun to discuss political changes in region

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Burma's President Ne Win flew in here today for a four-day informal visit during which he will hold talks on political changes in South-East Asia, especially the latest developments in Thailand.

The Burmese President was given a red carpet welcome at Subang airport.

On hand to greet him at the airport were the Yang Dipertuan Agung and Tun Abdul Razak.

The Burmese leader was then introduced by the Prime Minister to his Cabinet colleagues.

The Yang Dipertuan Agung, President Ne Win and Tun Razak proceeded to the VIP lounge where the Burmese leader met VIPs who included heads of diplomatic missions and senior Government officials.

Private chat

The King had a private chat with him for a few minutes after which the President and Tun Razak flew to Penang in a Merpati executive jet.

In Penang, the two leaders were met by a large party of officials led by Chief Minister Dr. Lim Chong Eu.

Also present was a small group of members of the Burmese community here.

Earlier, members of the Prime Minister's delegation arrived in a MAS 737. They included Defence Minister Datuk Hamzah bin Datuk Abu Samah and Information Minister Tengku Ahmad Rithaudden.

Talks on ship

Others were the Chief Secretary to the Government, Tan Sri Abdul Kadir bin Shamsuddin, armed forces chief, General Tan Sri Ibrahim bin Ismail, and Malaysia's Ambassador to Burma, Encik Abdul Hamid bin Pawanchee.

This afternoon, the two leaders played a round of golf at the Penang Turf Club golf course.

President Ne Win was guest of honour at a dinner given by Tun Razak at Wisma Pahlawan tonight. The Governor of Penang will give a dinner in his honour tomorrow night.

After a round of golf tomorrow morning, the two leaders will hold talks at Wisma Pahlawan.

Later, they will take a cruise aboard the RMN frigate, KD Hang Tuah, around Penang Island and hold talks aboard.

They are expected to review the general political situation in the world, an informed source said.

U Ne Win is said to be "very familiar" with Malaysia's impending establishment of diplomatic ties with China.

BANG on time — a quick glance at the watch tells President Ne Win of Burma that his plane has arrived in Kuala Lumpur right on the dot: 10.45 a.m. And that he's got to adjust to local standard time — an hour ahead of Burmese time.

The President was greeted at Subang airport on arrival yesterday by the Yang Dipertuan Agung and Tun Abdul Razak, with whom he will have talks in Penang on diplomatic relations with China, and bilateral co-operation. Picture by C. S. Choong.

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-From the People's Daily—all good wishes

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a new page in relations between Malaysia and China and said the Chinese people enthusiastically welcome this development.

In a highly significant passage, the editorial said: "We hold that all countries, big or small, should be equal. The affairs of a country should be handled by the people of that country themselves.

"The social system of each country can be chosen and determined only by the people of that country themselves and no interference by external forces is allowed."

The editorial concluded with wishes for the complete success of the Tun's visit.

It is a friendly editorial. It is an encouraging editorial.

This afternoon there was applause at the airport. There are slogans in the streets.

And tonight there were speeches at the State banquet (see top of page).

But the essence of the day and indeed of the visit is contained in that single moment this afternoon when the Tun stepped out of his plane and crossed the gulf of different social systems, different forms of governments and different political philosophies and the leaders of Malaysia and China clasped hands.

Praise from Chou for valiant people of Malaysia

PEKING, Tues. — Chinese Premier Chou En-Lai spoke in praise of "the industrious and valiant people of the various nationalities of Malaysia who have a glorious tradition of opposing imperialism and colonialism."

He was speaking at the State Banquet for Tun Abdul Razak.

"In recent years," Mr. Chou said, "the Malaysian people have achieved new successes in safeguarding national independence and sovereignty.

"The Malaysian Government's position for the establishment of a zone of peace and neutrality in South-East Asia gives expression to the desire of the South-East Asian peoples to shake off foreign interference and control and has won support from many Third World countries.

"The Chinese people sincerely wish the Malaysian people still greater victories on their road of advance. The South-East Asian countries are an important part of the Third World.

Respect

"The realities of South-East Asia show that super-power aggression and expansion are the main source of danger to peace and security in this region.

"We are convinced that so long as the South-East Asian peoples strengthen their unity and persist in their struggle, they will certainly be able to frustrate super-power schemes and safeguard their own independence and sovereignty.

"The Chinese people consistently support the just struggles of all oppressed nations and peoples. This is our internationalist duty.

"We hold at the same time that the social system of a country can only be chosen and decided by its own people and cannot be imposed by other countries.

"Countries with different social systems can develop State relations on the basis of the five principles of mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, mutual non-aggression, non-interference in each other's internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit and peaceful co-existence.

"There is a traditional friendship of more than two thousand years between the peoples of China and Malaysia.

"Our two peoples have always sympathised with and supported each other in the common struggle against imperialism and colonialism.

"Normalisation of relations between China and Malaysia is in the interest of both peoples.

"The Governments of China and Malaysia have, through friendly consultations and in the spirit of mutual understanding, reached agreement on the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

"During Tun Razak's visit in China, our two Governments will formally announce the establishment of diplomatic relations, thus opening a new page in the history of China-Malaysia relations.

"The Chinese Government and people warmly welcome this development. We wish complete success to the visit of the Malaysian Prime Minister and other distinguished guests."

Premier Chou En-lai then proposed a toast to:

- **THE PROSPERITY of Malaysia and the well-being of her peoples;**
- **THE FRIENDSHIP between the peoples of China and Malaysia;**
- **THE HEALTH of the Yang Dipertuan Agung;**
- **THE HEALTH of Tun Abdul Razak and the other guests;**
- **THE HEALTH of Heads of diplomatic missions and their wives and of all friends and comrades present.**

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— TUN'S HISTORIC TOAST AT STATE BANQUET

Crossing barriers for true friendship

PEKING, Tues. — Tun Abdul Razak said tonight that in reforging historic links between the peoples of Malaysia and China, "barriers of mind and spirit, of misunderstanding and misapprehension, must be crossed."

Speaking at a banquet given in his honour by Premier Chou En-lai, Tun Razak said historically China had always contributed much to South-East Asia.

He added: "I am confident that today, in a spirit of mutual understanding and goodwill, China can play a constructive role in promoting peace and harmony in this region."

Tun Razak began by thanking Mr. Chou for the warm welcome extended to him and members of his delegation.

Historic voyage

The rest of his speech follows:

"The journey that has brought me to Peking, is a reaffirmation and a renewal of the ties which have existed for so long between our two countries and peoples.

These ties have not found expression at the official level owing to the political incidents of the past decades.

In the last three years, however, there have been growing contacts between our two countries and our relations can be said to have been resumed on the very practical note of trade and sporting missions.

Today, with this journey of mine to China, we seek to set the final seal of formal diplomatic relations between our two countries.

In ancient times, the physical barriers of contacts between our two countries and peoples were indeed awesome.

Today, it is the barriers of mind and spirit, of misunderstanding and misapprehension, that loom so large in our lives.

I believe that these barriers must be crossed, if our two peoples are to reforge their historic links. Voyagers on such a journey need to be both realistic and imaginative so as to meet both the challenges and the opportunities which lie ahead. These, I know, are the qualities that both our Governments bring to the present enterprise.

Malaysia is a relatively young country, a small country, but like China, an ancient land with its vast continental expanses and immense population, we have a fierce pride in our freedom and independence.

Like China, too, whose epic struggle over the centuries to forge an enduring unity, we are zealous of the unity we are moulding out of the diversity of peoples, languages and cultures which are to be found within our shores.

Our two countries seek peace in the world, and freedom and justice. We both strive for a life of security, decency and dignity for our peoples. In rediscovering our ties, therefore, I am happy to note these similarities which we share.

I am not, at the same time, losing sight of the differences between us. Nevertheless, I am totally convinced that differences in ideology, in our relative size, and in our approaches to some international issues, should not present obstacles to the development of fruitful relations and beneficial co-operation between our two countries on the basis of mutual respect, equality and peaceful co-existence.

We extend our hand of friendship to all countries which respect us and wish to be friends with us, irrespective of their political ideology or sociol system.

It is in that spirit, I know, that we meet today in Peking, to begin the long journey ahead, after the vicissitudes of the recent past, of establishing genuine and enduring ties of friendship.

The last few years have seen positive developments in the international political scene, characterised by a spirit of mutual accommodation and goodwill.

China's own contributions in this direction have been far-reaching. It is important for all of us that we should carefully nurture this spirit so that we may see even more fruitful results.

Nevertheless, we cannot be unaware of the conflicts that still beset our world. The countries of South-East Asia know better than most the ravages of war for we have been its unceasing victims for the last three decades and more. And even today, the prospects of peace in South-East Asia are by no means certain.

It is all the mire important, therefore, that we must each do what we can to contribute towards peace. We in Malaysia, choose the path of co-operation in international relations, not the path of conflict.

Malaysian foreign policy seeks to avoid tension, to strengthen international co-operation and to bring about a greater awareness of the common interest of every country in a peaceful, just and equitable international order.

Malaysia and its neighbours in South-East Asia are taking the first steps towards freeing our region from the constant threat of war. We collectively realise that if we do not endeavour to create within our region a climate of peace, others will not disperse the clouds of war for us.

The proposal for a Zone of Peace, Freedom and Neutrality in South-East Asia, which the countries of Asean have put forward, is the framework within which we hope to achieve a secure freedom, lasting peace and greater prosperity for our troubled region.

China's role

The way ahead will be both difficult and delicate but, because the proposal is designed to serve the interests of all, not deny the rights of any, I am confident of its eventual success. In that long journey that South-East Asia must take to establish its true rights in the world, the comradeship and help of true companions can only serve to lighten the burdens along the way.

Historically China has always contributed much to South-East Asia. I am confident that today, in a spirit of mutual understanding and goodwill, China can play a constructive role in promoting the cause of peace and harmony in South-East Asia.

In these different and far more complex times, we in Malaysia warmly welcome the development of relations between us, based on the genuine desire for friendship. in renewing and reaffirming the relations between Malaysia and China by my presence in Peking today, I am fully confident that we can do much to contribute to greater understanding. It is in that spirit I look to the future."

Tun Razak then proposed a toast to:

THE health of Chairman Mao Tse-tung, acting chairman Tung Pi-wu and Premier Chou En-lai;

THE prosperity and well-being of China and the Chinese people; and

THE friendship between the peoples of China and Malaysia and the continuous development of the relations between our two countries.

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THE STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 1974

TUN RAZAK jokes with Puan Hajjah Anjah, mother of the Director - General of Health, Tan Sri (Dr.) Abdul Majid Ismail, at the Kuala Lumpur airport. Behind her is Umno Secretary-General Dato Senu Abdul Rahman. On the right (with dark glasses)are Primary Industries Minister Datuk Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud and Land Development and Special Functions Minister Datuk Haji Mohamed Asri. They were there to see Tun Razak off to Peking.

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THE STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, JUNE, 4 1974

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Duty of firms to help train execs

IT'S NOT THE GOVT'S JOB ALONE: RAZAK

KUALA LUMPUR, Monday.

TUN ABDUL Razak called on more firms and industries tonight to support Government-sponsored training institutions.

He said the Government would continue to train young Malaysians, but the job is not the sole responsibility of the Government. "The private sector should share the responsibility so that we can progress in all fields."

Tun Razak was speaking at a dinner marking the closing of the Programme for Executive Development, under which 47 bumiputra graduates in arts, the humanities and social science were given a 12-week business administration crash course to equip them to meet the demands of the private sector.

The graduates, from the University of Malaya, Universiti Kebangsaan and Universiti Sains Malaysia, had been recruited into the Home and Foreign Service.

They later elected to join the private sector,

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which had complained of difficulties in getting bumiputra executives.

Tun Razak, who presented certificates to the 47 participants — nine of them are girls—said the course was the first step taken by the Government to meet the shortage of bumiputra executives.

It was logical that the training programme get the support of the private sector for which it is aimed, he said.

He also called on universities and colleges to work closely with the public and private sectors in carrying out their training programmes.

"It is important that

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The need to build up a corps of Malay execs

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we produce the necessary manpower for our economic, political and social needs.

"We should not waste our trained manpower and we do not want to see unemployed graduates amongst us for this is bad to our country which lacks trained people.

Tun Razak said the long-term objective of the Programme was not limited to producing executives, but at bold entrepreneurs who can grab the opportunities in the Second Malaysia Plan.

"We badly need entrepreneurs in our national economy. We do not wish to depend forever on foreign entrepreneurs. We should from now start to create a corps of entrepreneurs who can fit into our economic and social system.

Contribution

"They will make a more meaningful contribution in handling and managing the country's growing economy," he said.

Tun Razak told the graduates that they must show their capability in the posts which have been offered to them.

The private sector, he added, would measure the success of the course from their performance.

He presented letters of appreciation to four firms, Pan-Malaysian Cement, the Inchcape Group, Berjaya Kawat and Texas Instruments, which helped in the course.

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THE STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, JUNE, 4 1974

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Paving the way for an Asia free of doubts

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon.—Tun Abdul Razak's successful visit to China has paved the way for a better Asia, free of doubts and anxiety, Malaysian newspapers said today.

The editorials of the various newspapers described the joint communique signed by Tun Razak and Premier Chou En-lai as "very significant" to Asian countries, particularly the Asean nations.

Utusan Malaysia said there was no doubt that Tun Razak's visit had strengthened Sino-Malaysian relationship.

His meeting with Chairman Mao solved many problems and they discussed several matters relevant to Malaysia's interests.

No aid policy

One was China's policy regarding overseas Chinese and Chairman Mao's reiteration that those who acquired citizenship in the country where they were domiciled automatically lost their Chinese nationality.

There were about 200,000 stateless people in Malaysia and it was up to them to decide their future.

Tun Razak also brought up the subject of communist terrorists in Malaysia. Chairman Mao stated it was Malaysia's internal affair and China would not interfere.

Chairman Mao stressed his Government's policy opposing any measure to provide assistance to communist terrorists in Malaysia.

This was a blow to the communist terrorists in

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Thais hope for trade links with Peking

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Malaysia because now they would have to fight their own battle.

Utusan Zaman, the weekly publication of Utusan Melayu, said Tun Razak's visit to China had created a new era for Asia and a starting point to peace for the region.

Tun Razak had pointed out that different social systems and ideologies should not hamper friendliness between the peoples of both countries.

China's recognition of Malaysia's independence and sovereignty was very significant because certain third world countries had regarded the formation of Malaysia as neo-colonial. Even now the Malayan Communist Party recognised only Malaya not Malaysia.

It is true it will take time to instil a feeling of friendliness and understanding between the two countries but at least the people were free from doubts and anxiety.

Berita Minggu, the weekly publication of Berita Harian, said Tun Razak's name would go in history as the first Malay leader in centuries to restore friendly relations between Malaysia and China.

Tun Razak's visit would soon be followed with an exchange of ambassadors and this would begin a new phase in the history of relations between the two countries.

More time

Thailand, Philippines and Singapore were yet to establish diplomatic relations with Peking but they were sure to follow suit soon.

Indonesia which severed diplomatic relations with China following the incident of Sept. 30, 1965, would take a little more time. Whatever it was, the latest development would influence Indonesia's decision.

The Nanyang Siang Pau in its editorial yesterday said Tun Razak's visit to China had sowed the seeds of mutual understanding and trust which would eventually bring stability and peace to South-East Asia.

Tun Razak's visit had created a new era in international relations and had paved the way for other South-East Asian countries to establish ties with China.

The Tamil Nesan said Tun Razak's visit was a complete success although at first there was some doubts and suspicion.

BANGKOK: Malaysia's experience which led to the successful conclusion of setting up diplomatic ties with Peking will give added impetus to other Asean countries to establish detente with the People's Republic of China, Thai Deputy Foreign Minister, Major-General Chatichai Choonhavan, said today.

Malaysia's success in winning the hand of friendship of a superpower like China could be a lesson for other developing countries, especially Asean neighbours, he added.

Malaysia, though a small country, had shown that a pragmatic and persistent foreign policy aimed at being friendly with all nations despite overriding barriers, was the sole criterion in bringing the superpowers and developing nations closer together.

Thailand, he said, was particularly proud of Malaysia's success not only because she was a close neighbour, but also because "our destinies are intertwined."

Gen. Chatichai described Tun Razak's achievement as another feather to his cap in international diplomacy.

He was confident that Tun Razak's foresight and leadership among Asean countries would go a long way in the realisation of the neutrality policy.

Gen. Chatichai said he was sure the new Thai Cabinet would direct its energies towards moving closer to Peking, with the setting up of trade links as a first step.

Malaysia's experience should clear any doubts among the people in Thailand as to the usefulness of setting up links with Peking.

No indications

It should also give the lie to critics who hold the view that winning Peking's favour was merely a dream.

Gen. Chatichai, who visited Peking early this year, was confident that the Peking Government was sincerely interested in being friendly with developing countries, especially those in Asia.

"We will do well in following Malaysia's example," he said. — Bernama.

MANILA: Philippine Information Secretary Francisco Tatad said he was unaware of any plans by President Marcos to visit China this year.

Mr. Tatad was commenting on a Hong Kong Press report which said the Chinese Government had invited Mr. Marcos and that the Philippine president would be visiting China sometime this year to establish diplomatic relations.

"There is no indications about this at this [illegible]int," Mr. Tatad told [illegible]ring newsmen.

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Paying homage at the Istana Negara

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. — A homage and investiture ceremony will be held in the throne room of the Istana Negara from 10.40 a.m. tomorrow.

Tun Abdul Razak will pay homage first and wish the King happy birthday on behalf of the Government and the people.

He will be followed by the doyen of the diplomatic corps, Danish Ambassador Mr. Karl Borge Raavad.

The King will reply.

The investiture will follow immediately, and the ceremony will end with the doa selamat by the Chief Imam of the National Mosque.

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TUN'S ILO DATE: OFF TO GENEVA ON SUNDAY

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak who has been invited to address the International Labour Organisation's annual meeting, will leave at 8.30 p.m. on Sunday for Geneva.

He will be the ILO's guest of honour and will address the meeting on Tuesday.

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TUN GIVES PENANG THE GOOD NEWS

A stake in the bridge for all

PENANG, Thursday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK announced tonight that the State and the Federal governments had decided to form a syndicate to build the bridge linking Penang to the mainland.

"This syndicate will allow the people of Penang to participate in the project," the Prime Minister told a National Front rally on the esplanade. The decision to build the bridge, he said, was in keeping with the wishes of the people.

"This will mean further progress not only for Penang but also for the mainland," he said.

The bridge syndicate would be a joint venture between the Government and the people. "People and firms with the necessary resources can invest in it," he said.

He announced a holiday tomorrow for all schools in the State.

On his recent visit to China, he said the communique on the establishment of diplomatic relations indicated China's recognition of Malaysia as an independent and sovereign nation.

The Prime Minister reiterated his call to communist terrorists still lurking in the jungles to give up their stuggle and return to a normal life in society.

No cause

"China and the other great powers, such as the United States and Russia, now recognise us as Malaysia," Tun Razak said.

"But the terrorists still persist in calling themselves the Malayan Communist Party when there is no longer any Malaya.

Waiting to welcome Tun Razak to Penang.....the crowd at the airport. The banner in the foreground hails the "Father of Peace."

30,000 turn up to greet Tun

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Front, "the Government which I lead will achieve greater progress for the country ... this will ensure peace and prosperity for each and every one of us, as well as a proper place for our country."

Chief Minister Dr. Lim Chong Eu said the formation of the National Front was "a tremendous step forward" in the history of Malaysia.

"It is a logical development of Tun Abdul Razak's wish to achieve national unity and, through unity, to build a fair and just Malaysian society," he said.

"There can be no doubt in the minds of all loyal Malaysians that the establishment of diplomatic ties with Peking is a great personal triumph for our Bapa Pembangunan."

Carnival mood

He praised the Tun's steadfast policy of maintaining relations with all friendly countries and creating a zone of peace and neutrality in the South-East Asian region.

"The historic success achieved by the Prime Minister is the success of the people of Malaysia," Dr. Lim said.

"It marks the coming of age of our nation which today is fully recognised by all countries in the world.

"It is to this new era that Tun Razak has so triumphantly led us."

The Gerakan, Dr. Lim added, had always urged the people of Penang to unite and work together.

"Tonight, we are here as equal partners with the other parties of the National Front," he said.

First time

There was a carnival atmosphere as 30,000 people gathered on the esplanade to hear Tun Abdul Razak speak at the rally.

ple gave Tun Razak a tumultous welcome as he stepped out of his executive jet at Bayan Lepas today.

The gay mood of the crowd was set by the Kampung Dodol's kompang party which sounded its drums on the Tun's arrival.

First to greet him was Dr. Lim followed by a beaming Tunku Abdul Rahman and a long line of State Executive Councillors, National Front leaders, senior government officials and members of the consular corps.

At the end of the line, lion dancers from the Sim Sim Leok Hup Association pranced merrily.

Penang MIC chairman Mr. T. Subbiah garlanded the Prime Minister.

From Bayan Lepas, Tun Razak drove past thousands of cheering students, joined by a full force of electronic factory workers in the area.

Banners hailing the nation's "Father of Peace" and declaring "Tun success is Malaysia's success" greeted the Prime Minister as he drove on to Wisma Pahlahwan, where he will be staying until he flies back to Kuala Lumpur tomorrow morning.

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A lion dance of welcome for Tun Razak at the airport.

New Sunday Times, June 8, 1975

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150 get Red Cross awards from Tun

TUN Abdul Razak pinning a Gallantry Medal on Mr. V. Govindaraju at the Malaysian Red Cross Society's annual awards presentation ceremony at the Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman yesterday.

The Prime Minister, who is also the President of the Red Cross, gave away meritorious service medals and certificates to 150 members for their services to the movement.

Mr. Govindaraju, 45, vice-chairman of the Krian Red Cross played a prominent part in the rescue of Parit Buntar ferry tragedy victims on Sept. 13, 1972.

He also helped an injured fireman out of a burning shophouse in Ipoh on Feb. 14, 1973.

The presentation ceremony was held in conjunction with the World Red Cross Day to commemorate the birthday of its founder Henri Dunant.

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Kukrit — coming for talks with Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — Thailand's Prime Minister Mr. Kukrit Pramoj arrives on Monday for talks with Tun Abdul Razak.

It is expected that Thailand's strategy in adjusting to the situation in South-East Asia will feature prominently in the talks.

The meeting between the two Premiers is scheduled for Tuesday.

Mr. Kukrit will be accompanied by a seven-man entourage including Foreign Minister Chatichai Choonhaven and Deputy Interior Minister Prakorb Poakarch.

A ceremonial welcome awaits him when he arrives at 11 a.m. at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport.

A guard of honour will be mounted by 58 officers and men of the 9th Bn., Royal Malay Regiment, under the command of Capt. Hamzah Hassan.

17-gun salute

A 17-gun salute will be fired by S Battery of the Low Level Air Defence.

After the airport ceremony, Mr. Kukrit will have an audience with the Yang Dipertuan Agung at the Istana Negara.

In the afternoon, he will attend a security briefing at the Police Headquarters.

Tun Razak will give a dinner in his honour at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton.

On Tuesday, Mr. Kukrit will lay a wreath at the National Monument, followed by a visit to the National Operations Room and discussions with Tun Razak.

The Thai Premier will make a flying visit to the Kampung Suharto Felda scheme before hosting a return dinner at the Federal Hotel.

He leaves for Singapore on Wednesday morning.

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Opening scene

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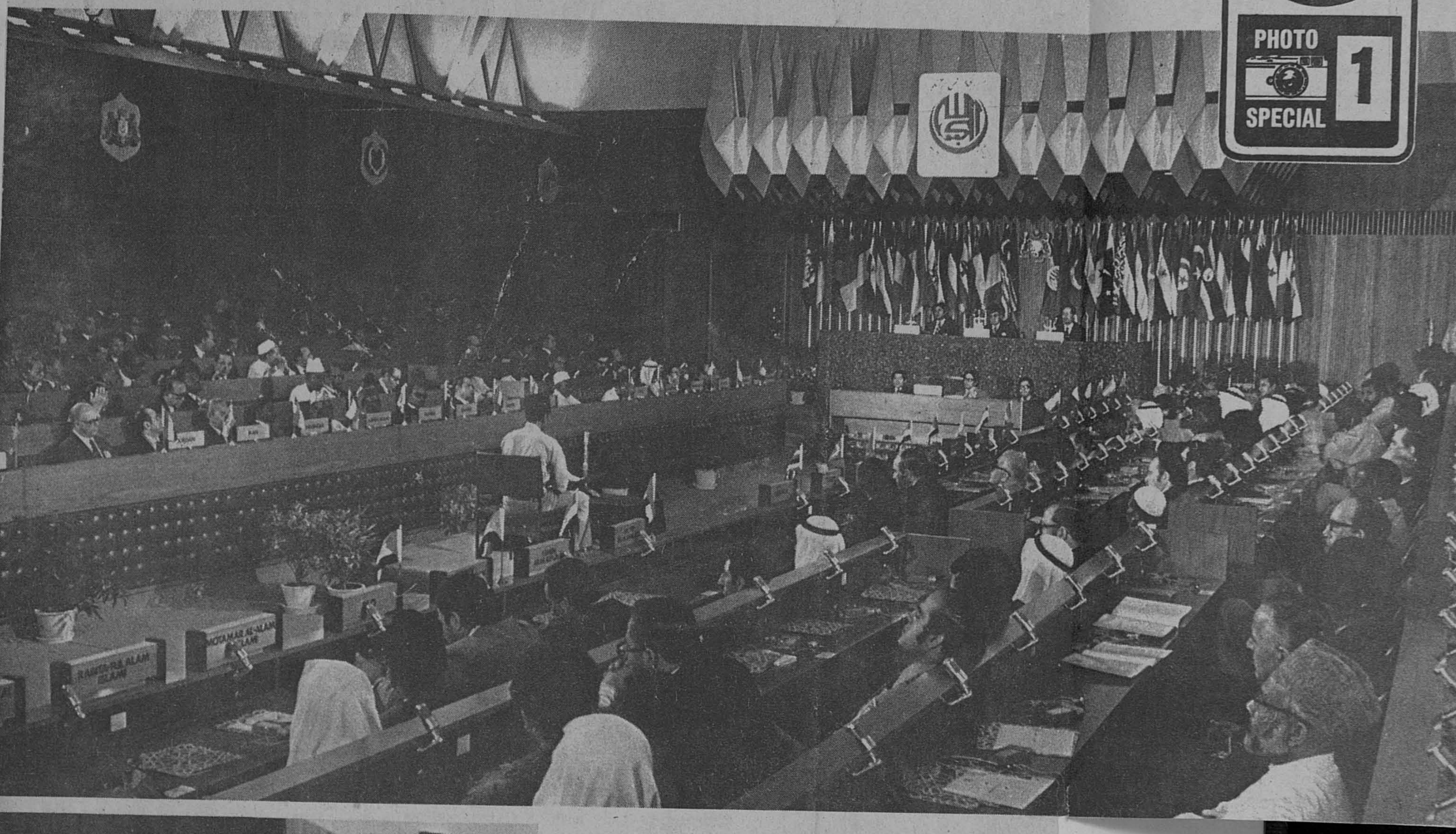

ABOVE: Tun Razak opening the Fifth Islamic Foreign Ministers' Conference in the Dewan Rakyat . . . at left, the Tun arriving for the ceremony flanked by Islamic Secretariat Secretary-General Mohamed Hassan El Tohamy, Libyan acting Foreign Minister Abdel Ati-Obeedi and conference secretary, Encik Jamaluddin Abu Bakar. The other pictures show (clockwise from top right) wives of delegates and several delegates arriving at the National Mosque for Friday prayers, and Tun Abdul Malik (back to camera) chatting with delegates at Parliament House. — Straits Times pictures.

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The Sunday Times, June 23, 1974

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Our big leap to the fore— by Tun

IPOH, Sat. — Three major events this year boosted Malaysia's image to a new high on the international front, Tun Abdul Razak said here tonight.

Speaking at the National Front rally on the Municipal Padang here, he said the country "has never had it so good as now since independence 17 years ago."

The three major events he named were:

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"This demonstrates that China, a country with over 800 million people, has respect an[d] recognition for Mala[y]sia," he added.

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The Chinese leaders had also stated that the communist territorist problem in Malaysia was a Malaysian affair, and that China would not interfere.

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Despite the rain, over 50,000 people jammed the municipal ground to hear Tun Razak speak. Hundreds more crowded the nearby five-foot ways.

The people began to assemble from about 6 p.m. An open air concert was held until shortly after 8 p.m. when Tun Razak and his party, which included National Front leaders, arrived in a motorcade [led] by 150 outriders. [The] gathering [cheered] clapped and [gave] shouts of "[Long live] Malaysia" as [he] walked to[wards] the platform.

The Menteri Besar, Dato Seri Haji [Wan] Mohamed, in welcoming Tun Razak at the rally said as he heralded [a] new era in Malaysian history by establishing diplomatic relations with Western European and other countries, including China, their policies.

Explains plans

Tun Razak explained [in] detail his overwhelming decision to [have] recorded Perak Prime Minister Tun [Razak] visit to China recently [as a] personal testimony of the wishes of the people of Malaysia to have diplomatic ties between the two countries. He also explained plans for the future.

He said that the PPP had welcomed Tun Razak's move on the China ties right from the beginning and described its success as "the hall mark of a great statesman who did not hesitate to do what he thought was right and in the best interests of Malaysia and to secure peace in this region of the world.

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The formation of the National Front was made possible through Tun Abdul Razak's efforts.

"It was [a] move believed [by] many and hoped [by] many that with [the] National Front together [with] China, together [we] can [fight] against [any] aggression," added Dato Harun Idris.

There was an unprecedented carpet welcome for Prime Minister Tun Razak when he arrived by special train for the rally.

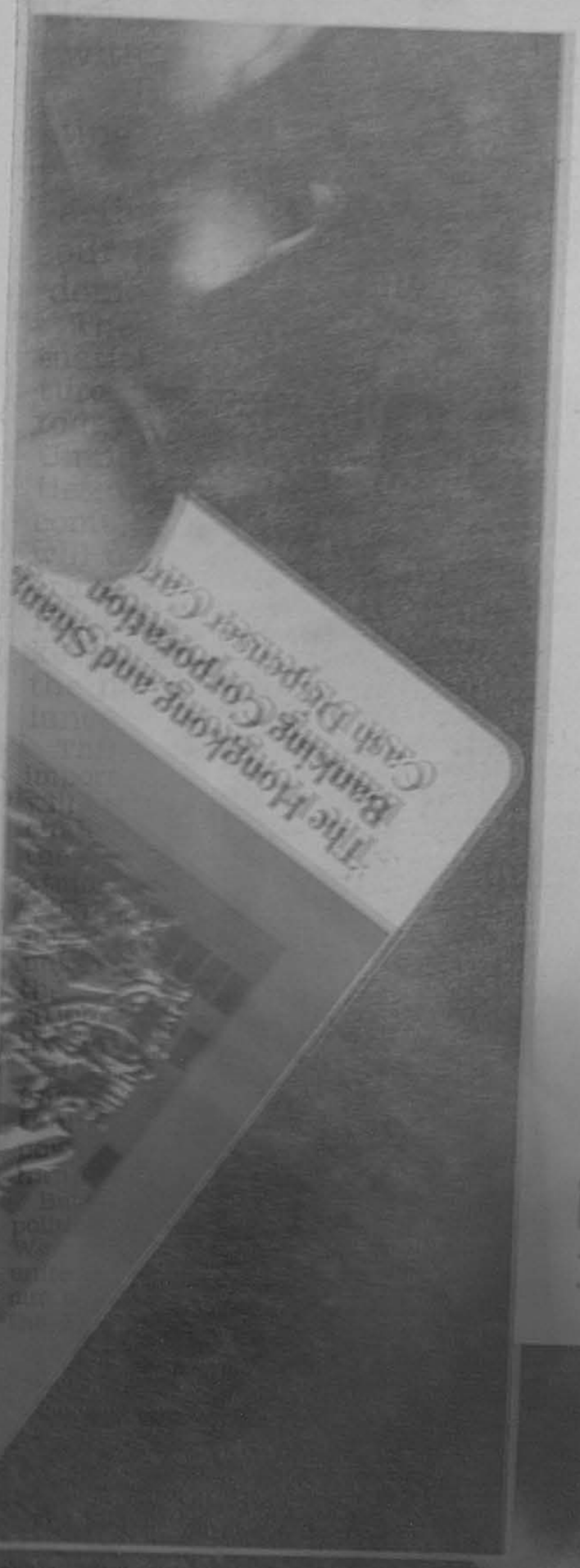
10,000 people including school pupils, [Youth] and members of the National Front paramilitary and community leaders, crowded the airport area, while others lined the three-mile route from the airport to the guest house.

While [the] pupils [from] educational and [other] National Front members [and] leaders and [the] dance troupes [gave] amusing performances before Tun Razak, [over] 100 pigeons and doves [were released]. [About] 150 national

The Sunday Times, June 30, 1974

MEETING THE CHALLENGE OF CHANGE

Full text of Tun Razak's address to the UMNO General Assembly



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The gathering cheered and clapped and there were shouts of "Berjaya Malaysia" as Tun Razak walked to the platform.

The Mentri Besar Dato Sri Haji Kamaruddin in welcoming Tun Razak at the rally said: "He has heralded a new chapter in Malaysian history by establishing diplomatic relations with Eastern European and other countries, including the Soviet Union and China, irrespective of their political ideologies."

Special plans

The overwhelming welcome accorded Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak by China recently is an open testimony of the wishes of the people to have diplomatic relations between the two countries, Mr. Michael Chen, the Minister for Environment and Nuclear Energy said.

"The reception given by Chairman Mao and Premier Chou En Lai and other Chinese leaders to our Prime Minister leaves no doubt as to the foundation of an everlasting tie in this region between the two nations," he said.

Malaysia is also happy that the South-east Asian neutrality concept advocated by the Prime Minister has received support from China.

Datok Sri Seenivasagam in his address referred to the formation of the National Front and the diplomatic ties with China and said:

"Never in the history of Malaysia has a man laid firmer foundations for the future than what Tun Abdul Razak has done."

He said that the PPP had welcomed Tun Razak's move on the China ties right from the beginning and described its success as "the hall mark of a great statesman who did not hesitate to do what he thought was right and in the best interests of Malaysia and to secure peace in this region of the world.

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"It was because we believed in his sincerity and honesty of purpose that we agreed to march together instead of against each other," added Dato Sri Seenivasagam.

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About 10,000 people including school pupils, leaders and members of the National Front parties, and community leaders, crowded the airport area, while others lined the three-mile route from the airport to the guest house.

While the school pupils carried National and State flags, National Front Party members carried banners and placards.

Six lion dance troupes gave a rousing performance before Tun Razak released 100 pigeons and 500 balloons.

About 150 national front members carried placards with a picture of Tun Razak and the words "Bapa National Front

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The Sunday Times, June 30, 1974

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THE big number of delegates attending the general assembly today clearly indicates our party's strength.

Unity among party members now is stronger and the people have a higher regard for our party than ever before.

The numerous new talents, together with our veteran members, have given new vigour and strength to our party to meet the challenges of 1974 and the years ahead.

The number of members, particularly at divisional level, can be said to be somewhat extraordinary compared with previous years.

But we can regard this as a healthy development, befitting the situation in the country today.

However, we must constantly be on the look-out for any action which may damage the healthy democratic process in our party so that it too will not affect our parliamentary democratic system of government.

The political situation and structure in our country today has changed, Umno and the parties which have become our partners will contest the general elections on the National Front ticket — no longer in the name of the Alliance.

This is a major and important change, we will be facing a new challenge as a result of the changed political atmosphere.

This, however, does not mean that Umno is not prepared to meet the changed political situation alone or with its Alliance partners.

Umno and the Alliance are capable of retaining the political power now in our hands.

But we do not take part in politics merely to gain power. We want to create a really united Malaysian nation with our own identity based on the Rukunegara.

The spirit

Therefore we feel that it is important for us to instil a Malaysian spirit among our people.

This spirit, we hope, will be identified with the main characteristics of our people in the years to come.

The best political machinery to achieve this objective is through the National Front. In other words, the National Front is the new political foundation in this country.

We are very careful in this. At first we formed a coalition government between the Alliance/Bumiputra Party and the SUPP in Sarawak and later between the Alliance and Gerakan in Penang, the Alliance and PPP in Perak and the Alliance and PAS in Kelantan, Trengganu, Kedah and Perlis and at the Federal level.

The parties in the coalition governments, after much discussion, agreed to work together in the National Front.

The setting up of the National Front is the climax

tunity to prove themselves and I am happy to see many of them have joined our party.

I would like to advise them that they must really understand the concept "Unity and Be Prepared to Serve" — which has been the Umno motto — and to be loyal to the party's aims and policies.

I hope veteran Umno members will use the resources of these young people. Likewise the young people should accept guidance from the veteran members. In this way we can avoid divisiveness and misunderstanding in our party.

Several changes have been introduced particularly at divisional level following my direction last year that our party machinery must be reorganised.

However, I feel our offices at divisional level have not yet given a proper service to the people.

I would like to see more efforts being carried out to make our divisional offices in each and every one of the parliamentary constituencies as the nerve-centre through which our party provides services to the people.

I would also like to advise all elected representatives of the people to give their services to the people by meeting them at Umno offices.

The time has come for all elected representatives of the people to have an efficient and organised working system and close relationship with their respective divisional offices.

Another amendment provides for a division which has not paid up its subscription to send delegates to the general assembly.

The division will be allowed to send only its chairman to the general assembly and by branches to the divisional delegates conference.

Under the amendment, there will be a maximum number of delegates to be sent by the divisions and branches to the general assembly and delegates conference.

Previously a division with plenty of members can send many delegates to the general assembly.

This rule will be changed. Under the amendment a division can only send not more than 10 delegates to the general assembly although it may have a large membership.

Voting rights

This means that if a division has 20,000 members it can only send 10 delegates to the general assembly.

Likewise if a division has 5,000 members, it is entitled to send the same number of delegates to the meeting.

This rule on the maximum number of delegates will also apply to divisional delegates conference.

Branches can only send not more than five delegates to the divisional delegates conference although each may have more than 250 members.

Quote

The time has come for all elected representatives of the people to have an efficient and organised working system and close relationship with their respective divisional offices.

serious attention as to how Umno can be made a bridge linking our party to the others in the National Front particularly relating to national development and unity.

We realise that in playing this role difficulties may arise, but for the sake of national development and unity, such difficulties should not be a problem to us.

On the contrary we must at all time be confident that our party has the capability and the ability to act as the bridge.

We have, in the first general assembly of our party 28 years ago, pledged that Umno will uphold and defend the nation, defend and propagate Islam and guarantee freedom of worship, uphold and practise principles of democratic system of government, create a strong and united nation, carry out economic programmes for the benefit of the people particularly Malays and bumiputras and create a just, modern and progressive society.

No change

Because of these policies, we have been successful in getting the support of the Malays and later we were able to draw the Chinese and the Indians to unite with us in the Alliance.

We have not changed these policies although many of them have been successfully carried out.

In my view, to mark this occasion, the 25th general assembly of our party, it is appropriate for us to repeat the pledge which upholds these policies.

Although our country is endowed with natural resources there is still among us a poverty stricken group living in the rural areas and in the outskirts of the town.

No one can deny that the living standard of the people have improved over the past 20 years, but this has not reached a stage where there is a fair, just and equitable distribution of wealth.

tions of the people are met.

I wish to make it clear that we have now entered an era of monetary economy and as a young nation with little experience we must solve all our problems ourselves in order to successfully emerge as an industrial country.

As a party in power it becomes our responsibility to determine whether we can achieve the objective of the new economic policy and create an atmosphere where peace, harmony and fair-play will prevail.

Every worker will get a wage commensurate with his labours and everyone an opportunity for education and training. The just society that we are striving for will require us to determine the order or priority for action.

Our objective cannot be achieved in five or ten years, but we can provide a strong foundation towards creating a peaceful, stable and prosperous nation.

The success that we have achieved thus far in implementing the new economic policy has been explained at length in the mid-term review of the Second Malaysia Plan and the Treasury Economic report.

The mid-term review had been debated and accepted by Parliament.

So was the economic report showing the latest achievements in the agricultural and industrial fields.

On jobs

We are thankful to God that we have last year witnessed healthy economic activities as a result of increased production and the higher market prices for our export commodities such as rubber, oil palm and timber.

In implementing the new economic policy we have been successful in meeting the primary objective of eradicating poverty with the creation of 350,000 jobs which is more than half of the 600,000 target for the five year period.

In the land development

Tun Tan Siew Sin, with arms folded, is am ong the many VIPs who attended the opening of the Umno General Assembly. Others in the picture include Tan Sri Omar Ong Yoke Lin (on Tun Tan's right) and Datin Suhailah, wife of Datuk Hussein Onn.

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SMALL BOOMING TOWNS THAT TELL A SUCCESS STORY

bangsaan are able to see the success of Malays in commerce and other ventures with assistance and guidance from government agencies which are always ready to provide such services.

The success of our people whether as bread makers or batik manufacturers shows that we certainly have the ability as other races. But there must be determination on their part.

Our government has done all it could to improve the standard of living of the people particularly Malays.

Apart from opening land schemes in new growth centres in Pahang Tenggara, Trengganu Tengah, Johore Tenggara, Trans-Perak, we will also bring industries to these areas to strike a balance between agricultural and industrial sectors.

Even today the smaller towns which were hitherto neglected are humming with industrial activities which are providing jobs to the people.

In carrying out the various measures towards development, we are not devoid of normal problems occurring in modern society.

Today we are faced with the problem of inflation. Inflation is a world-wide problem because in the first place it was caused by the shortage of food required for the increasing world population.

Thank God, although we are facing this problem, it can be said that our country is not seriously affected compared with our neighbours and worse still the industrialised nations in Europe, America and other Asian countries.

Aid pledge

The government is always finding ways to alleviate the problem of inflation so people in the low income group and farmers, will not be hard hit.

Apart from the special relief allowance given to government servants in the lower categories, other measures were also introduced such as subsidies for essential items like rice, sugar, flour and oil; text-book assistance for children of poor families; tax exemption on several essential items imported into the country; and recently I have announced subsidy for urea fertiliser for the farmers in order to help them produce crops at reasonable prices.

All these have cost the government a total of $500 million a year and I am certain that no other government elsewhere has done this.

However, we must remember that all the imported goods have gone up in prices, while our primary produce are enjoying lucrative prices in the world market.

Our rubber, palm oil, tin and other primary produce are fetching higher prices which in turn mean higher income for our people.

We know that many settlers on land schemes are enjoying an income of well over $1,000 a month today and this has placed them in the higher income group of skilled workers or executives employed in towns.

Red threat

As I have often said, the government will keep the situation under control so that the people especially those in the low-income group will not be hard hit by inflation.

I wish to reiterate that they must also take steps to grow their own food or raise livestock to supplement their needs.

The government has already adjusted its policy concerning food supplies and we will make efforts to produce sufficient rice apart from other needs so that we will no longer have to depend on imports.

Another major problem facing us is the question of internal security, in particular the threats posed by the communist terrorists who are out to create chaos and take over control by force.

We must be thankful to God that the situation has not deteriorated to what it was previously although there have been increased activities and reports of clashes between the Security Forces and the communist terrorists in the past six months.

However the situation was well under control and during that period we have delivered a serious blow to the terrorists, wiping them out in large numbers as well as broken their strength.

As we know, the danger posed by the communist threat could be minimised or wiped out completely if the people would co-operate fully with the government.

The terrorists will never gain a footing unless there are people who sympathise with them and provide information, food, medical supplies and other needs.

The government has concrete evidence that during the recent Operation Indra in Raub, it was found that certain people living in new villages were providing the communists with assistance and withholding information from the government.

This was also the case with the recent East-West Highway incident. There were communist sympathisers working in collaboration with the terrorists which led to their success in destroying heavy equipment in the highway area.

I wish to be frank here that those who are helping the terrorists are the worst enemies and they should be removed from society.

They are more dangerous than the terrorists because they pretend to be law-abiding in order to destroy society from within.

We are taking immediate action against these people because we know that without their support the terrorists will fail. There are enemies in our midst and we not only have to be wary of them but we have to identify and take firm action against them.

His appeal

To the terrorists, I wish to repeat my appeal to them to give up their nefarious activities and hopeless struggle. In my meeting with Chairman Mao Tse-tung during my recent visit to Peking, he had stressed that the terrorists are a problem for Malaysia to deal and we have the right to take whatever action to wipe out the terrorists to solve the problem.

Thus it will be good for them to stop their evil doings and return to society.

However, if they continue to ignore this, the government will continue to hunt them until they are completely wiped out from Malaysian soil.

The government has spent more than $12,000 million between 1971 and 1973 on defence matters including expenses for the police and the army in operation against the terrorists.

For 1974 it has been estimated that at least $5,300 million, or 20 per cent of the national expenditure, would have been spent on defence.

A portion of the projected defence spending would be saved and used for development if the security threat could be wiped out.

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THE STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 1974

Razak to address MIC delegates on Sunday

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues.—Tun Abdul Razak will address the MIC annual delegates conference at the Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka on Sunday.

More than 900 delegates from about 400 MIC branches in Peninsular Malaysia will attend the conference to be opened by MIC president Tan Sri V. Manickavasagam.

The conference will discuss economic, educational and social problems of the Indians," Tan Sri Manickavasagam, who is Minister of Labour and Manpower, said today.

Policy speech

The conference will also discuss a report on the findings of the recent MIC economic seminar here.

It will discuss the president's policy speech and a selected number of resolutions on education, unemployment and other social problems.

Tan Sri Manickavasagam is expected to announce the party's 20-year development plan for the Indians.

No election

The party leaders are also expected to outline the National Front concept to the delegates in view of the coming general elections.

There will be no election of office-bearers this year as the party's constitution was amended last year to provide for a biennal election. — Bernama.

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THE STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, JULY 6, 1974

A MESSAGE

From the Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak

IT GIVES me great pleasure to send greetings to the Board of Directors of Central Securities (Holdings) Bhd. on the successful formation of Central Elastic Corporation, a joint venture with Kyowa Limited of Japan.

The company uses Malaysian rubber for the manufacture of rubber thread, rubber bands and etc.

The establishment of the company will certainly help speed up industrialisation in the country, besides creating employment opportunities for our youth.

This is the first factory of its kind in Malaysia using local raw material for its production. The company has employed many bumiputra workers in line with the Government's New Economic Policy.

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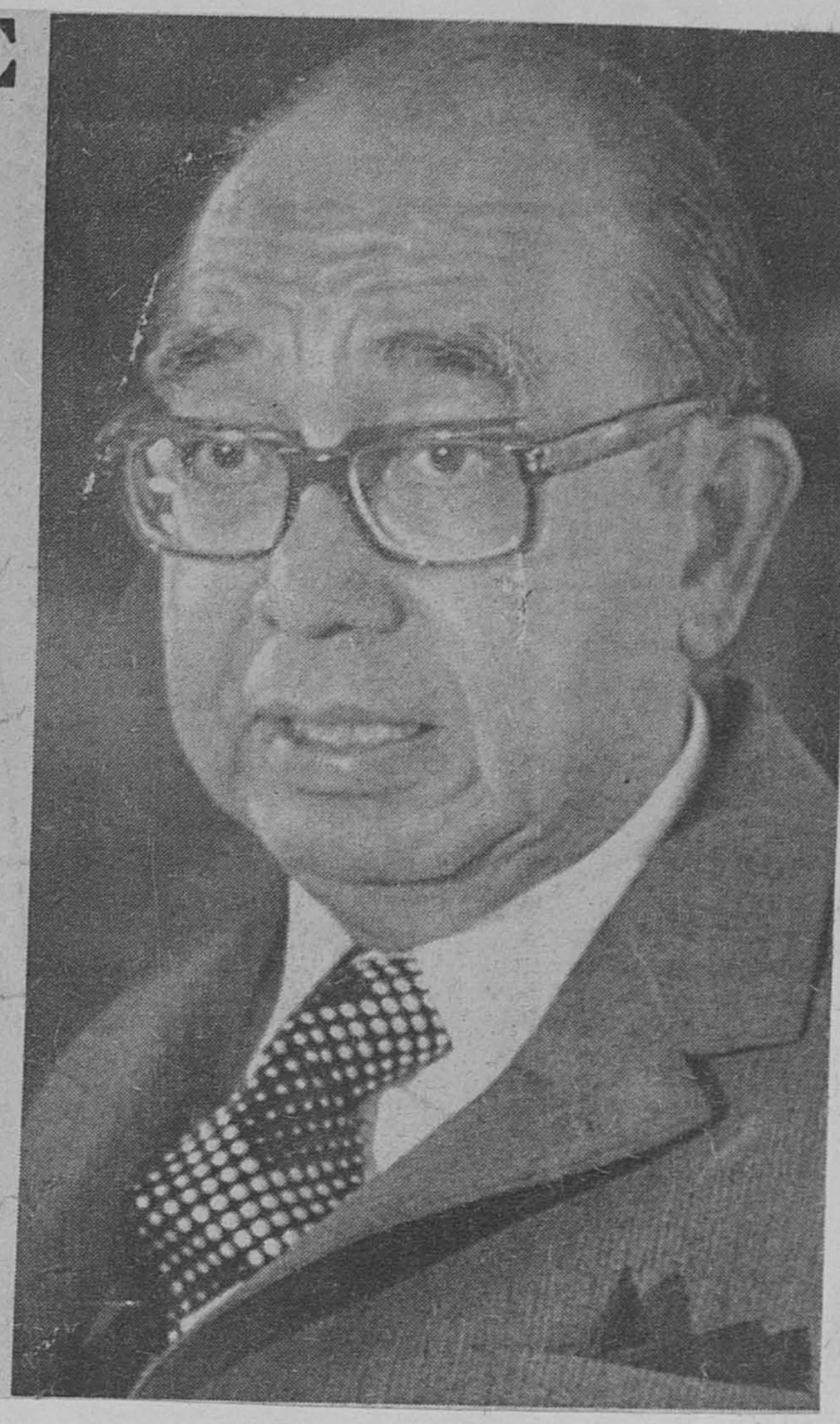
It is hoped that in five years time, when the company is in full production, more employment opportunities will be created for our youth to work at the various sections of the factory.

As an export-oriented firm, it will export some 1,800 tons of rubber bands and 60 tons of rubber thread in its first year of operation. This will earn a sizeable amount in foreign exchange for Malaysia.

I hope in future the company will give opportunity to more Malaysian citizens to participate not only in the management, but also in the company shares so that the objective under the New Economic Policy will be achieved during the targetted period.

I now wish your company every success and progress.



The Sunday Times, July 7, 1974

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MIC GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Plan for Indian economic uplift for Tun Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — Malaysian Indians have been assured that Government commitment to a plan for their economic advancement would be formally sought tomorrow.

MIC president Tan Sri V. Manickavasagam told the party's annual general assembly today that the blueprint would be handed over to Tun Abdul Razak when he addresses the meeting tomorrow.

More than 800 delegates from 410 branches are attending the two - day meeting at the Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka.

Tan Sri Manickavasagam said: "Handing over the blueprint will represent the formal request for the commitment of the Government itself to the ideals and objectives that are incorporated in the report."

Into action

The report is the effort of the MIC's Economic, Employment and Welfare, Land and Education subcommittees as well as the recommendations of an economic seminar two months ago.

He said the party had already started putting the ideas and plans contained in the report into action.

Among them was the recent launching of a multipurpose co-operative society — Kerjasama Nesa— with a proposed capital target of $10 million.

Tan Sri Manickavasagam also said that party officials had met the Education Minister on several occasions regarding the drop-out problem of Indian children in school and the problems facing Indians in higher education.

"The response from the Minister has been encouraging and a number of positive steps have since been taken," he added.

Assurances have also been given by the Deputy Prime Minister and Education Minister that the number of places offered to Indian students in the University of Malaya would be increased by at least 67 this year.

The Front

"If all these places are accepted, the share of Malaysian Indian students at the University of Malaya would amount close to seven per cent of the total enrolment, as compared to 6.6 per cent in 1973," he said.

In urging members to give their full support for the National Front in the coming general election, Tan Sri Manickavasagam said:

"With the leadership of Tun Razak and on the achievements that we have already shown the people in these past years, I have every confidence that we shall be returned by the electorate with a thumping majority."

SUNDAY, JULY 7, 1974

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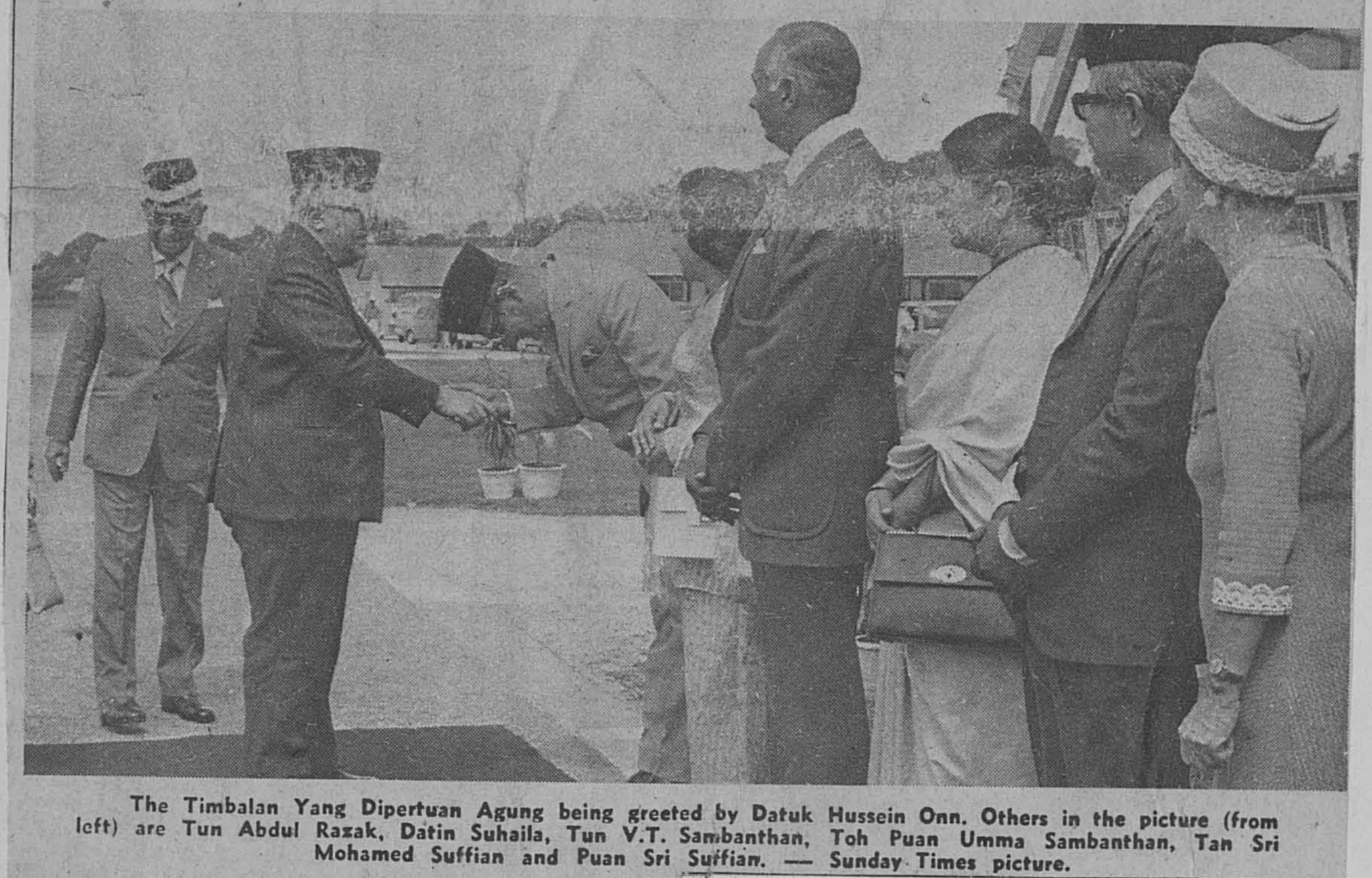
The King and Queen, escorted by Tun Razak, make their way to the Royal Dais for the sending-off ceremony. At left is Tan Sri Sardon, who is Minister-in-Attendance for the Royal visit. — Sunday Times picture.



The Timbalan Yang Dipertuan Agung being greeted by Datuk Hussein Onn. Others in the picture (from left) are Tun Abdul Razak, Datin Suhaila, Tun V.T. Sambanthan, Toh Puan Umma Sambanthan, Tan Sri Mohamed Suffian and Puan Sri Suffian. — Sunday Times picture.

Kelantan Ruler is acting King

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — The Sultan of Kelantan was proclaimed the acting Yang Dipertuan Agung in a simple ceremony at the Istana Negara here today.

He will act for three weeks in the absence of the Yang Dipertuan Agung.

Tun Abdul Razak read the proclamation letter, after which he presented it to the Sultan for his signature.

Federal Territory Mufti Sheikh Abdul Mokhsein bin Haji Salleh offered prayers.

The ceremony was witnessed by the Deputy Hussein Onn, Lord President Tan Sri Suffian Hashim and other dignitaries.

Earlier this morning, the Sultan who is the Timbalan Yang Dipertuan Agung was given a red carpet send-off at Kota Baru.

The Timbalan Yang Dipertuan Agung and the Raja Perempuan Kelantan arrived at the RMAF base here at 11 a.m. and were given the red carpet welcome in a simple but dignified ceremony.

Guard honour

Tun Abdul Razak led other dignitaries including Datuk Hussein Onn and Tan Sri Suffian

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 1974

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PRIME Minister Kirk during his visit to Malaysia in December last year ... Tun Razak (right) introducing him to Tan Sri Sardon Jubir, Envoy to the U.N.

Others in the picture are Deputy Primier Datuk Hussein Onn, (left) and Minister with Special Functions Datuk Mohamed Asri.

THE STRAITS TIMES FRIDAY, JULY 12, 197

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Tun Razak to open special MCA meeting

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak will open a MCA special meeting for chairmen and secretaries of the party's State divisions and branches at Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka on July 21.

About 1,000 delegates and representatives are expected to attend the meeting to discuss the party's strategy within the context of the National Front and the MCA's central committee policy statement on the National Front which was issued on April 17 this year.

At night, the delegates will attend a farewell dinner for former president, Tun Tan Siew Sin, at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton.

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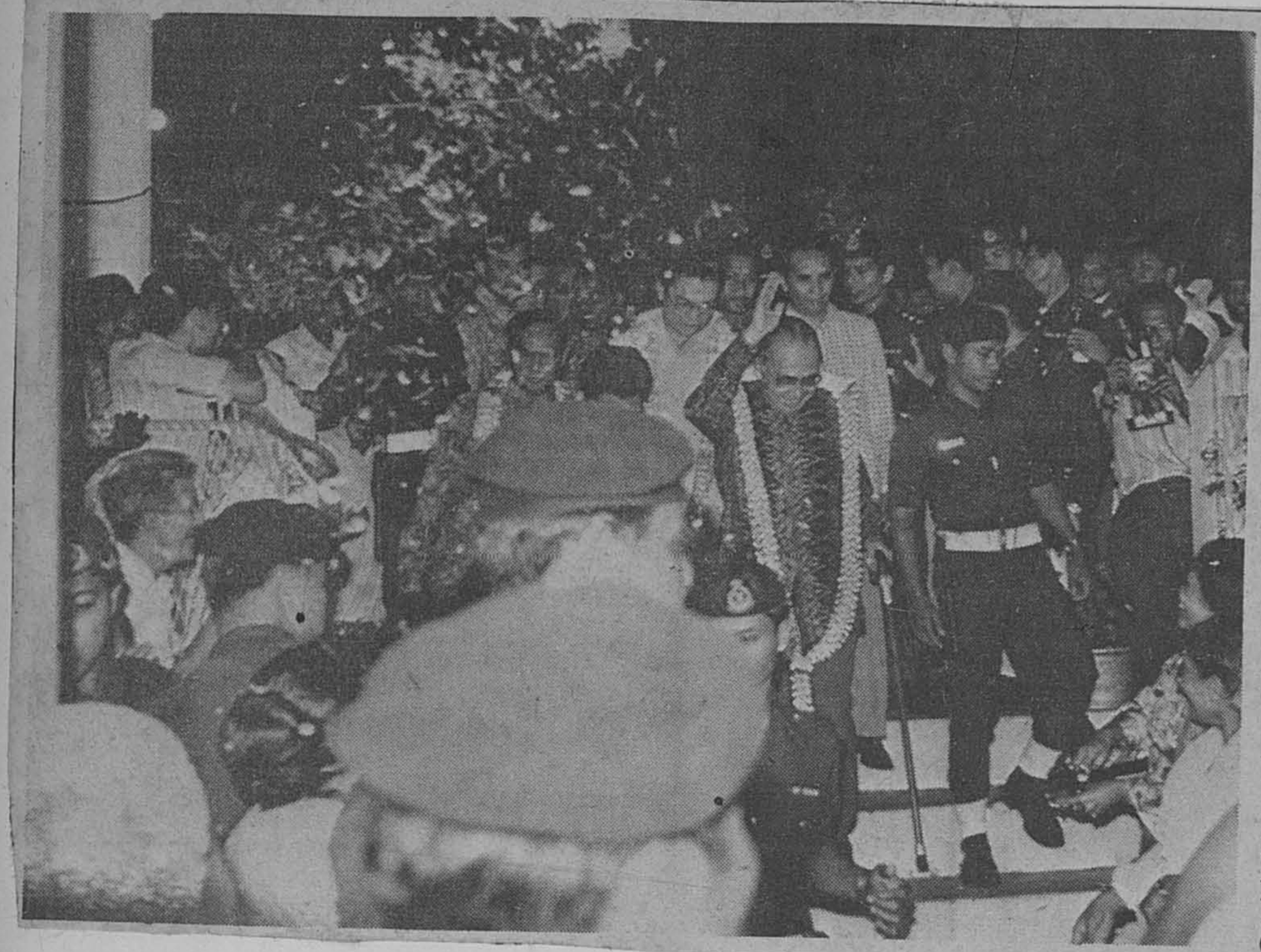

Flowers and cheers for Tun at Front rally

TUN Abdul Razak waves happily as women members of the National Front shower him with flower petals (left) on his arrival at the Negri Sembilan Club. The Prime Minister unveiled the Front's sym (picture in page 6) cheers of "Berjaya Mala sia" (bottom) before a g thering of 50,000 people the National Front rally Wednesday night.

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Cheers as Tun unveils Front's neraca

AMIDST thunderous applause and shouts of Malaysia Berjaya, Tun Razak unveiled the National Front symbol for the first time last night before 50,000 people at the Negri Sembilan Club padang.

The golden scales of justice neraca on its blue background will replace the symbols used previously by the parties in the Front.

Wanita members of the Front showered the Tun and his party with flower petals in a picturesque welcome that included a motorcade with 100 outriders and lion dance troupes (below left) and drums.

The crowd (below right) listened — some of them absorbed in thought (right).

Tun Razak called on the people to accept the neraca symbol as they had accepted the sailing boat of the Alliance in the past.

MONDAY, JULY 15, 1974

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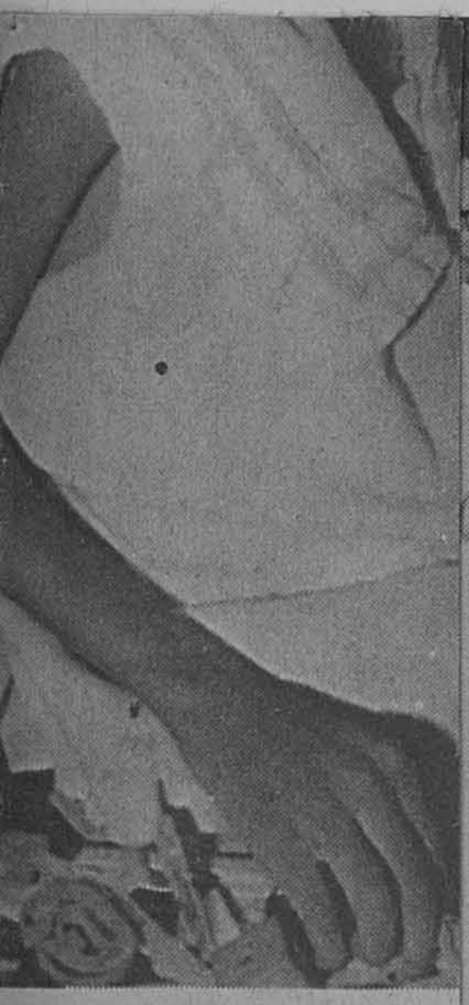

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TUN ABDUL RAZAK waves to the crowds on his way to the padang where he addressed the National Front rally. With him are Sarawak Chief Minister Datuk Haji Abdul Rahman Ya'akub, Deputy Chief Minister Datuk Stephen Yong and Local Government and Housing Minister Datuk Ong Kee Hui.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK inspecting a guard of honour on arrival at Kuching airport.

Tun on success of our foreign policy

KUCHING, Sunday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK said here last night that Malaysia's policy of neutrality had made her reach the peak of success in international relations in becoming the first South-East Asian nation to have ties with all the big powers.

Malaysia's name was now well-known throughout the world as a nation with a sincere government determined to improve the lives of the people.

Tun Razak was speaking at a National Front rally at the central padang here, attended by more than 50,000 people. It was the Front's 10th rally.

Tun Razak, speaking on his recent visit to China, said he had been assured by Chinese leaders that rice would be sent to Malaysia whenever she was in need.

More exports

Another result of the visit was that Malaysia could now export greater amounts of raw materials such as rubber and timber to that country.

On the forthcoming general election, Tun Razak said the National Front was the people's assurance of their future.

The people of Sarawak who had seen the rapid development under the State coalition government, should support the Front so that it could continue to work for the people's benefit. He was happy that the people had responded over-

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A GIFT OF GOLDEN NERACA FOR TUN RAZAK

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whelmingly to all the Front's rallies so far, clearly showing their desire for solidarity and their determination to wipe out anti-national elements.

Chief Minister, Datuk Haji Abdul Rahman Yakub, urged the people to support Tun Razak unanimously as the Front's leader.

Tun Razak, he said, understood conditions in Sarawak very well.

Datuk Rahman reminded the people not to be influenced by propaganda from Opposition parties.

Deputy Chief Minister Datuk Stephen Yong urged people of Chinese origin in the state to back the SUPP (Sarawak United People's Party) which would fight for their rights through the National Front.

Ong stays on

Sarawak Affairs Minister Tan Sri Amar Jugah said bumiputras in the State had reached political maturity, as evidenced by the formation of Parti Pesaka Bumiputra Bersatu.

He urged the Dayak community to get involved in the country's political development and not to be left behind.

During the rally, Datuk Abdul Rahman presented a pair of golden scales — the National Front symbol — to Tun Razak. The $15,000 scales are a gift from the SUPP and PBB.

Tun Razak returned to Kuala Lumpur today after a day here.

The Minister of Local Government and Housing, Datuk Ong Kee Hui, who was in Tun Razak's party, extended his visit here. — Bernama.

New Starits Times 18 julai 78

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My talks with Suharto useful, says Tun

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed.— Tun Razak told the Dewan Rakyat today that his exchange of views with President Suharto of Indonesia during the latter's visit to Penang in March was useful.

The President made an unofficial visit to the island in return for the visit Tun Razak made to Palembang last year.

The Prime Minister was replying to Haji Abdul Wahab Yunus (PAS-Dungun) who wanted to know the outcome of the discussions between the two leaders.

The object

Tun Razak said the object of the visit was an informal exchange of views on bilateral, international and regional matters of common interest.

"I found such contacts useful as it provides me the opportunity to continue the informal exchanges of views with the leaders of our immediate neighbours to forge greater understanding and co-operation amongst all concerned," he added.

New Starit Times 18 julai 74.

PTR KA 1082 229/78

Dr. Tan gets definition of an anti-national

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. — Tun Abdul Razak defined the term "anti-national elements" today for Dr. Tan Chee Khoon (Pekemas-Batu) who asked what the Government meant when it said that IGP Tan Sri Abdul Rahman Hashim was murdered by anti-national elements.

Tun Razak said although the term was generally used for communist and subversive elements, it could also cover those who broke the laws of the country.

Replying to questions on the murder of the IGP, the Prime Minister said investigations were still being held and it was not yet determined whether foreign elements were involved.

On protection for other leaders, Tun Razak said reasonable security measures were being taken but he could not guarantee that they would be free from assassination attempts.

New Starit Times 18 julai 74.

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Changing the rules for China visits

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. — Tun Abdul Razak told the Dewan Rakyat today that it would be easier for Malaysians to visit China after Kuala Lumpur and Peking have exchanged ambassadors.

The Prime Minister was replying to Dr. Tan Chee Khoon (Pekemas - Batu) and Mr. Ng Hoe Hun (Kita-Larut Selatan) during question time.

Dr. Tan wanted to know if the present procedure of processing applications "which takes a long time" would be improved.

Tun Razak replied: "After the two countries have exchanged ambassadors, certainly this will facilitate visits to China. This is because the procedure for getting visas and other relevant documents will be made easier."

Datuk James Wong SNAP-Miri Subis) asked why Tun Razak's entourage on his visit to China did not include representatives of the Opposition.

"The decision to have diplomatic relations with China was a Government decision and it was reasonable from the political point of view that only representatives of parties in the National Front be included in my delegation," Tun Razak replied.

Home Affairs Minister Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie said the Government was revising the regulations for travel between the two countries.

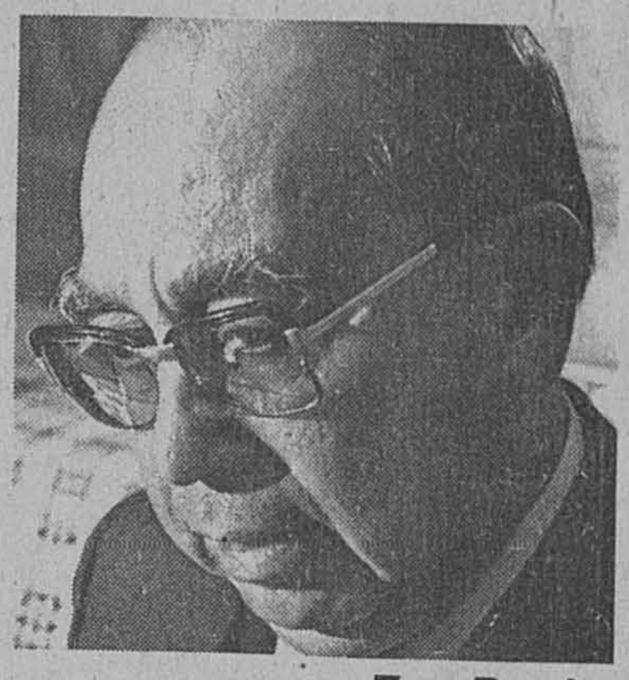
Care would be taken that the national interest and security would be protected, he added.

He could not say when the new regulations would be ready, but until then existing rules would apply.

Tan Sri Ghazali was replying to questions by various members on the issue.

Deputy Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Musa Hitam said the Government did not intend to do away with current procedures for importing goods from China.

He added in a written reply to Mr. Peter Paul Dason (DAP - Pulau Pinang Utara) that these procedures were in line with the Government policy of encouraging more direct trade between Malaysia and China.



Tun Razak

'CHINA ALSO HIT BY INFLATION'

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. — Tun Abdul Razak said today there was no guarantee that traders doing business with China would be offered goods at cheaper prices. In a written reply to Mr. Loh Jee Mee (DAP-Batang Padang), the Prime Minister said China was also hit by inflation. He said he did not discuss trade during his Peking visit.

In another written reply, Tun Razak said it was not necessary for Opposition parties to send their own delegation to China because such a move would not further strengthen the relationship between the two countries.

His visit was adequate, he added.

New Starit Times 18 julai 74.

PTR KA 1084 231/78

Tun tells House of his mission to Peking

KUALA LUMPUR, Wednesday.

TUN Abdul Razak told Parliament today that he had no doubt that his visit to China had been "entirely successful" in underscoring the principles of non-alignment and friendship which have guided Malaysia in its foreign policy and in forging new and important links with Peking.

In a statement to the Dewan Rakyat on his May 28 to June 2 visit, the Prime Minister said his discussions with Chairman Mao Tse-tung, Premier Chou En-lai, Vice Premier Li Hsien-nien and other Chinese leaders were "remarkably candid and cordial."

"They have, I think, helped both sides to understand and appreciate better each other's policies and positions on various matters," he said.

"There is a sincere and mutual desire on the part of both Malaysia and the People's Republic of China to forge new links of friendship, goodwill and understanding, based on mutual respect and non-interference, and I have no doubts that my visit has contributed immensely in this direction."

A tribute

Tun Razak said the Malaysian delegation were received with exceptional cordiality and courtesy.

This is a tribute to Malaysia and an expression of the genuine desire of the Chinese Government and people to forge friendly and enduring ties with us.

"I wish to express here our deep appreciation to the Chinese Government for all the care and effort they took, which made our stay not only a very fruitful but also a very pleasant one."

He said the Peking communique of May 31 which formally estab-

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DEWAN RAKYAT

How Peking views the overseas Chinese

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'ished diplomatic relaions between Malaysia and China dealt with various principles governing Malaysia - PRC relations. These principles were of far-reaching significance to Maaysia.

Tun Razak said during discussions with the Chinese leaders, he was categorically assured that China regarded the terrorists in this country as "entirely our internal affair which is for us to deal with as we think best.

"This is in complete conformity with the five principles of peaceful co-existence enunciated in the communique, namely mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, mutual non-aggression, non-interference in internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit, and peaceful co-existence.

"Additionally, the PRC and us, have categorically stated our opposition to foreign aggression, interference, control and subversion and has affirmed that the social system in any country is for the people of that country alone to choose and decide. "These are facts which the terrorists must now accept."

On the other hand, Tun Razak said, the terrorists were seeking to impose by violent means a system contrary to the country's national ideology, the Rukunegara.

Reality

The terrorists were also trying to overthrow by force the legally constituted and democratically elected government, recognised by all countries, including the PRC.

Tun Razak said the terrorists must now face reality and realise that their struggle was futile and hopeless.

He said: "They have no cause whatsoever to continue their fight and the senseless taking of innocent lives.

"In various public statements since my return from Peking, I have drawn attention to these facts and have urged the terrorists to lay down their arms, give up their struggle and return to normal life.

"I would like here to repeat these sentiments once more."

On Taiwan, Tun Razak said the Peking communique reiterated Malaysia's recognition of the Government of the PRC as the sole legal Government of China and Taiwan as an inalienable part of China. This has been Malaysia's position for some time.

Although Malaysia established consular relations with Taiwan in 1965, it had always made it clear that this could not be construed as an act of recognition of the Taiwan Government.

New status

"In keeping with the new status of our relations with the PRC, our consulate in Taiwan and the Taiwanese consulate-general and other Taiwan governmental agencies in Kuala Lumpur have been closed," Tun Razak said.

"Henceforth, our relations with Taiwan will be strictly on a people-to-people and on a local basis.

"There will be no hindrance to Malaysians, as individuals, travelling to Taiwan, to conduct private business, trade and so on and other normal commercial dealings."

On the position of people of Chinese origin in Malaysia, Tun Razak said the Chinese leaders showed understanding and sympathy for the Government objective of a united Malaysian nation and strongly stressed their view that the destiny of the overseas Chinese lay with the countries and peoples where they live.

The Chinese leader said such people should be law-abiding and that they should integrate themselves in the countries of their residence, and should consider themselves an integral part of the local society and not separate from it.

Tun Razak said this was advice that all overseas Chinese should take to heart.

"More specifically, both Malaysia and the PRC have stated in the joint communique that we do not recognise dual nationality," he added.

'This means that people of Chinese origins who have taken up or who have acquired Malaysian nationality are automatically not Chinese nationals and the PRC has nothing to do with them.

In the case of Chinese who are permanent residents in Malaysia, but are not Malaysian citizens or citizens of a third country, the Government has agreed that if they wish to be regarded as nationals of the PRC, it will recognise them as such provided they possess documents from the PRC to identify their nationality.

"We have also affirmed that in accordance with our present law, and so as to minimise unnecessary hardship and inconvenience, permanent residents who have not acquired Malaysian nationality may continue to stay in Malaysia as in the past," Tun Razak said.

"There will be further discussions after our respective embassies are established to resolve residual problems affecting these people.

"These are by way of administrative details and I do not expect that they will involve too much effort or time," he added.

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Govt cannot afford to drop surtax: Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Abolition of surtax will cost the Government $156 million a year, which it can ill afford, the Dewan Rakyat was told yesterday.

Tun Abdul Razak, in his capacity as Finance Minister, said in a written reply to Dr. Chen Man Hin (DAP-Seremban Timor) that the Government had already taken a wide range of measures to combat the high cost of living and would do more if necessary.

"These measures are costing the Government over $500 million a year," he added.

Haji Ahmad bin Haji Ithnin (All-Melaka Selatan) asked if Malaysia and Indonesia intended to impose conditions and a levy on ships that used the Straits of Malacca.

Tun Razak said that so far, there had been no agreement on such impositions.

"The matter may be further considered in the light of the discussions at the Law of the Sea Conference, which is being held now," he added.

Replying to a written question by Dr. Tan Chee Khoon (Pekemas-Batu), Tun Razak said the provisions of Malaysia's citizenship laws were adequate and it was up to the Chinese permanent residents themselves to decide whether they wished to become Malaysian citizens in accordance with the existing provisions.

Dr. Tan had asked what steps the Government would take to help them obtain Malaysian citizenship if they so desired.

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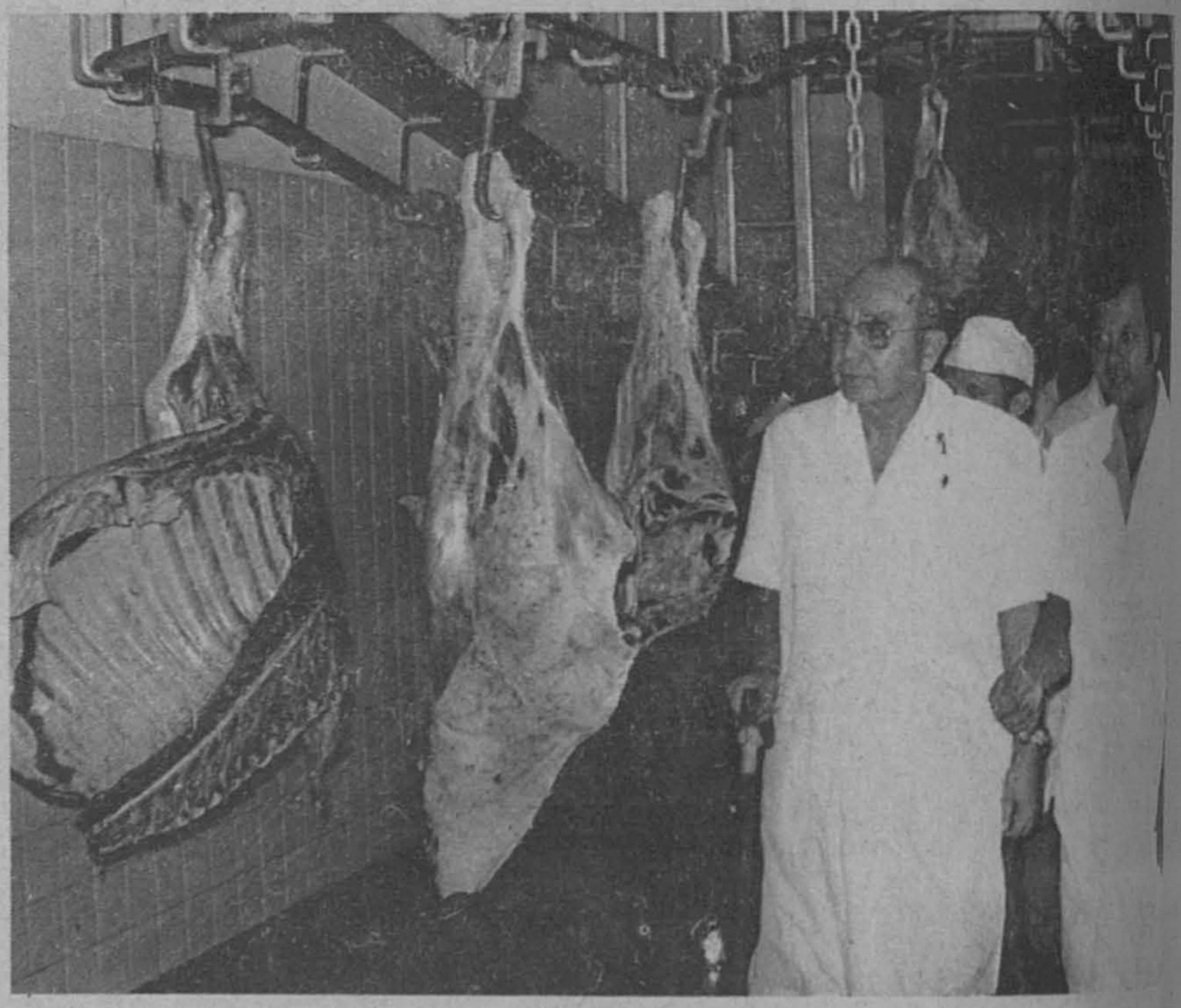
TUN OPENS SHAH ALAM ABATTOIR

Need for foreign experts to help in livestock industry



TUN RAZAK, accompanied by [illegible] National Livestock Development Corporation's director of meat production Dr. M. Hussain [illegible] touring the abattoir yesterday. Note the modern conveyor chain system in use. — Straits Times picture.

SHAH ALAM, Thurs. — Malaysia still needs the assistance of animal science and technology experts from foreign countries to develop its livestock industry, Tun Abdul Razak said today.

"The shortage of experienced manpower in large scale and modern livestock farm management is one of the factors that hinders the development of the livestock industry in the country.

"So Malaysia gratefully hopes that its neighbouring countries will help develop its meat and milk industry," he added.

The Prime Minister who was speaking at the opening of the Shah Alam abattoir also said the Government has allocated $32 million to the National Livestock Development Corporation to develop the industry.

Also present at the ceremony were Agriculture and Fisheries Minister Tan Sri Haji Ghazali Jawi, Special Functions and Information Minister Tengku Ahmad Rithaudeen, Rural Economic Development Minister Abdul Ghafar Baba, Selangor Mentri Besar Dato Haji Harun Idris and several other dignitaries.

Tun Razak said several livestock projects were being carried out in Pahang Tenggara, Johore, Trengganu and Perak.

"This showed the keenness of the Government in encouraging the development of the industry to guarantee the supply of good quality meat for the people.

"The development of the industry will also contribute towards the achievement of the New Economic Policy's objective of providing more employment opportunities to our youth."

He said an enforcement unit to stop illegal slaughtering of animals has been set up by the NLDC.

Those caught slaughtering animals illegally are liable to a maximum fine of $25,000.

Tun Razak thanked the Danish Government for its assistance in the setting up of the abattoir. This includes an interest-free loan, feasibility study and personnel.

Tan Sri Haji Ghazali Jawi earlier said that the NLDC has conducted a feasibility study to set up more livestock farms in the country.

"A sum of $18 million has been set aside for this purpose.

"The corporation has also considered the introduction of a fattening or feedlot programme which can help to speed up meat production," he added.

The corporation will be helped in modernising and centralising other abattoirs in the country.

The Shah Alam abattoir is of international standard. It will process by-products for animal feed in order to halt the import of such items which cost about $90 million annually.

THE STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, JULY 20, 1974

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Kuantan port's industrial site to be expanded

KUANTAN, Fri. — The Government is seeking a World Bank loan to expand the industrial site at the Tanjong Gelang port area, Tun Abdul Razak said today.

He said several industrialists were interested in setting up factories near the port, including a petrol-chemical plant and a motor assembly plant.

There was also a plan to start a cement factory on a joint venture basis with a foreign firm.

Tun Razak was speaking to reporters after a two-hour briefing by State Government officials and chairman of Government agencies at the State Operations Room here.

Tun Razak, who will be leaving on the KD Hang Tuah today for a one-day visit to Pulau Tioman, said his visit to Pahang was to "tidy up things" here.

He said a number of projects had not been progressing according to schedule.

He had directed the State Government to speed up development of the industrial site at Semambu so that industries could move in as soon as possible.

The State Government had also been directed to speed up low-cost housing projects. He said not enough was being done in this field although a number of prefabricated housing schemes had been started in Kuantan, Temerloh and Pekan.

Tun Razak said Pahang's main problem was shortage of funds. He assured the State Government that the Federal Government was

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Work on Kuantan port going on smoothly

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always ready to provide assistance for its economic development projects.

He also said an agreement would be signed shortly with the Club Mediterranee, a tourist resort organisation based in France for the development of the Chendor Tourist Complex.

The development of the project would be tied up with the expansion of the Kuantan Airport to receive Boeing 707 aircraft.

Study ready

Work on the $135 million Kuantan port was going on smoothly, Tun Razak said.

A feasibility study on the Tembiling hydro-electric project was almost completed, and adequate compensation would be paid to villagers affected by the construction of the dam for the project.

The people could live around the lake, among beautiful surroundings, he said.

On Pulau Tioman, he said the tourist project was progressing well. The first phase of the hotel, built on a joint venture with the Merlin group, was now completed, with 44 rooms. Under the second phase, 80 more rooms would be added.

Tomorrow, Tun Razak will visit the tourist complex at Kampung Lalang, Kampung Juara, Kampung Mukut, and Kampung Tekek — all on Pulau Tioman.

He will return to Kuala Lumpur on Sunday.

Accompanying him are the Director-General of the Implementation, Coordination and Development Administration Unit, Datuk Tunku Shahriman, the Director-General of the Economic Planning Unit, Tan Sri Thong Yaw Hong, the chairman of Fida, Encik Jamil Jan, and the chairman of the Tourist Development Corporation, Encik Burhanuddin Saman [illegible]is.

THE STRAITS TIMES MONDAY, JULY 22, 1974

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Razak to open Financial Times talks in KL

LONDON, Sun. — Malaysian Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak will open a Financial Times conference on South-East Asia's Resources and the World Economy to be held in Kuala Lumpur from Sept. 17 to 20.

A team of experts will examine the future of the main primary products of South-East Asia, discuss prospects for increasing value through local manufacturing and consider investment implications of policies now being pursued by Asian states.

The Malaysian Minister of Primary Industries, Datuk Taib Mahmud, and the Filipino Secretary of the Department of Labour, Mr. Blas Ople, will take part in the discussions.

Tun Thanat Khoman former Foreign Minister of Thailand will be among the speakers who will assess political prospects of South-East Asia and its relations with Europe, Japan and the United States.

Other members of this group will include Dr. Soemitro Djojahadikoe soemo, Indonesian Minister of State for Co-ordination of Research; Sir Christopher Soames, member of the Commission of the European Communities, and Mr. T. Komatsubara, managing director of the Bank of Tokyo.

The conference, co-sponsored by British Airways and organised in association with Malaysian Airline System, will provide a valuable opportunity for discussions between businessmen from the region and those outside it.

A special 14-day visit to Kuala Lumpur, Penang and Singapore has been arranged to coincide with the conference. — SHUKOR RAHMAN.

THE STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, JULY 23, 1974

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Tun on foreign military bases in the region

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. — Tun Abdul Razak reiterated in the Dewan Rakyat today that Malaysia envisaged that all foreign military bases in the region "will be phased out as neutralisation proposals are phased in."

The Prime Minister was replying to Mr. Fan Yew Teng (DAP-Kampar) who asked if Tun Razak would now seriously consider abolishing all foreign military bases in the country.

Tun Razak said there was no foreign military base in Malaysia.

THE STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, JULY

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Q AND A ON GOVT HOUSING LOANS AND A BONUS

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. — The Government will consider increasing housing loans to its employees, Tun Abdul Razak said in a written reply in the Dewan Rakyat today.

Mr. Peter Paul Dason (DAP — Penang Utara) had asked Tun Razak in his capacity as Finance Minister to state whether Government would consider increasing these loans in view of the rising prices of houses.

The Government set up a revolving fund of $100 million in 1971 to provide these loans.

Replying to Mr. V. David (Pekemas — Dato Keramat), Tun Razak said the Government would have to carry out a comprehensive survey before it could pay civil servants an annual bonus.

Mr. David had asked whether the Government would consider meeting "the claim of civil servants for a yearly bonus and also 13 months' wages per year as 12 months wages is a loss to civil servants as certain months have 31 days."

Tun Razak said a major change of policy was involved, because the question concerned the Federal Government, State Governments and statutory bodies.

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Tun Abdul Razak receiving the report from Tan Sri Ahmad Perang in his office yesterday.

THE STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 1974

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TUN TO HOUSE: ALL FOR THE BETTER

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. — Tun Abdul Razak told the House today that the new electoral boundaries would give the people "better and more effective representation."

He was asking the House to approve the Election Commission's Report on the Review and Delimitation of Constituencies.

He said that the review of parliamentary and state constituencies had been undertaken in view of developments in the country in the last 10 years, particularly in the economic and social fields.

He thanked the chairman and members of the commission for completing the report "in good time," and said he was "also grateful to Encik Hassan Ibrahim, the secretary of the commision and other officers who have worked tirelessly day and night to complete this report and its appendices."

Tun Razak recalled that Parliament last year passed an Act amending Article 46 of the Constitution to increase the number of seats in the Dewan Rakyat from 144 to 154.

The State Assemblies of Kedah, Kelantan, Trengganu, Penang, Perak, Pahang and Se-

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Tun: Electoral rolls of February used

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langor also amended their constitutions to increase the number of seats in the assemblies.

Under the Act, the Election Commission was required to review the division of Peninsular Malaysia into constituencies and recommend such changes as may be necessary.

Tun Razak said the commission finalised its report on July 20 and submitted the report to him yesterday.

The report consisted of six parts.

Part I contains the background while Part II gives the breakdown of parliamentary seats, State by State, and comparative figures before and after the amendment.

Part III contains the principles of delimitation and explains how the commission went about its work adhering strictly to these principles.

Tun Razak referred to two matters under this part. "Firstly, the electoral rolls used for the purpose of this delimitation are the electoral rolls which were certified in February, 1974.

Secondly, the commission recommended some changes in the existing names by which the constituencies are known. The reasons for the changes are given in the report.

Part IV concerns representations to the proposed recommendations.

Of the 146 representations received, only 41 complied with the necessary requirements.

After hearing the 41 representations, the commission revised its proposed recommendations except those relating to the constituencies in Penang and the Federal Territory.

The revised recommendations were published again and eight representations were received.

Summaries

Part V contains the final recommendations for delimitation, having taken into account the representations.

Summaries of the recommendations on the new parliamentary and state constituencies are set out in the fifth schedule.

The seventh schedule gives a list of all polling districts in each constituency and the number of voters in each district.

Part VI contains appendices and schedules. There are also 12 maps showing the boundaries of the parliamentary and state constituencies as recommended by the commission.

Tun Razak also asked the House to approve the commission's recommendations for new electoral boundaries in Sabah.

The number of Dewan Rakyat seats are being increased by 10 as follows: Kelantan 12 (+2), Pahang 8 (+2), Kedah 13 (+1), Penang 9 (+1), Perak 21 (+1), Trengganu 7 (+1), Selangor 11 (—3) and Federal Territory 5 (+5).

There will be no change for the other states: Johore 16, Negri Sembilan 6, Malacca 4, Perlis 2, Sabah 16 and Sarawak 24.

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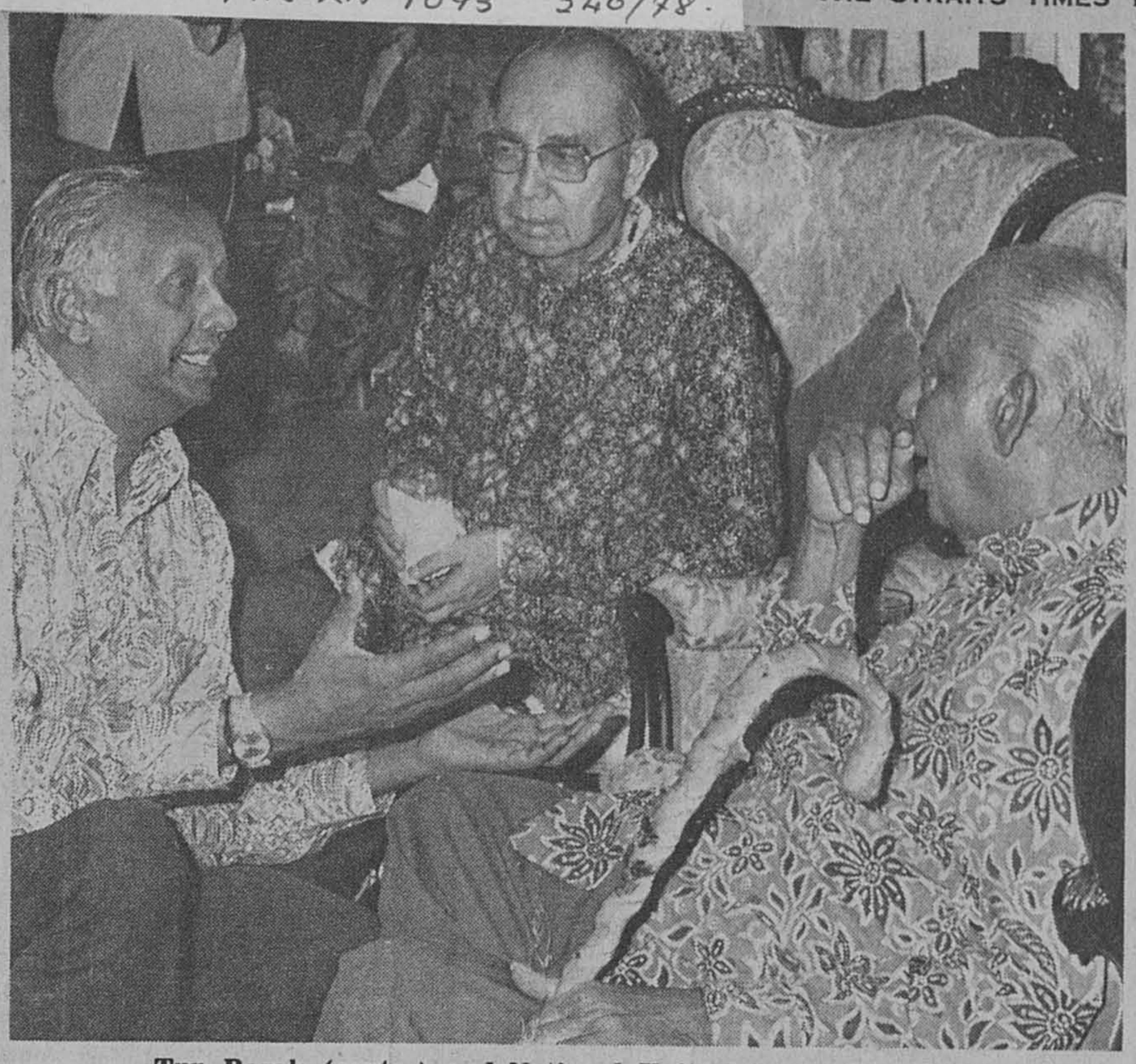
Razak hosts dinner at Sri Taman



Tun Razak (centre) and National Unity Minister Tun V.T. Sambanthan chatting with an old friend, Datuk Sir Clough Thuraisingam at Sri Taman last night.

WIVES of Ministers and guests helping themselves to food.

Tun Abdul Razak hosted a dinner for MPs and Ministers at Sri Taman last night. About 100 people including the Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn and Datin Suhaila attended.

Tun Razak also showed his colleagues and guests a colour photograph of himself shaking hands with Chairman Mao Tse-tung taken during his recent visit to China.

One Opposition member, Mr. Ng Hoe Hun, of Kesatuan Insaf Tanah Air who took the photograph for a closer look joked about holding Chairman Mao in his hands.

Tun Razak replied with a laugh: 'Don't forget that it's also me you are holding.'

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Making the best of after-hours

TUN Razak arriving for the dinner. Second from left is the association's chairman Datuk Abdullah Salleh.

MEET TO SOLVE PROBLEMS, TUN TELLS GOVT OFFICERS

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri.—Tun Abdul Razak told Government officers tonight that close and friendly contacts with each other after office hours would help solve inter - departmental problems easily.

The Prime Minister was speaking at Administrative and Diplomatic Service Officers' Association dinner at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton.

Contact after office hours would enable Government officers to discuss administrative problems in a more relaxed manner, he added.

"Such contacts will help officers understand the problems faced by every other department and the aspirations of the people," he said.

Tun Razak said he was happy that the association was planning activities which would give its members the opportunity to mingle with other groups.

"I would like to emphasise here that administration does not mean dealing with files and meetings only," he said.

"It is more important is to establish direct contact with the people".

Tun Razak said more Government officers should be involved in activities in their local communities.

The Administrative and Diplomatic Service officers could provide the leadership as they occupied positions of respect and should give serious attention to the less fortunate.

The Government needed the assistance and cooperation of the "haves" in voluntary organisations to ensure that the objectives of development programmes would be achieved.

Tun Razak praised the association's move to organise visits within and outside the country for its members.

Visits to Sabah and Sarawak would strengthen goodwill between Federal and State Government officers, he said.

Officers who can derive benefit from such visits should be chosen to go, he added.

Earlier, Tun Razak said members of the association must have been aware that his Government would soon ask for a new mandate from the people.

He believed that Government officers would give the new government their full support.

The success of the Government's development programmes reflected joint-effort of members of the public service led by the Administrative and Diplomatic Service officers, he added.

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MONDAY, JULY 29, 1974

National Front seat division finalised

We are ready, says Tun

THE allocation of seats to component parties of the National Front at Federal and State levels in the coming general election has been finalised.

By TENGKU MOHAMED: Kuala Lumpur, Sun.

"We are ready for the polls," Tun Abdul Razak told reporters after the Umno Supreme Council meeting at party headquarters here today.

Observers expect it will be a matter of days before the Prime Minister dissolves Parliament and announces the nominations and election dates.

The council, Tun Razak said, discussed all aspects relating to the election, including the question of allocation of seats to Umno.

It also appointed Rural Economic Development Minister Encik Abdul Ghafar Baba as the director of elections for both Umno and the National Front.

On the suggestion that ADMO be allotted one Parliamentary seat in Selangor, he said it had to be resolved at the State level.

Any ADMO candidate selected for the seat must stand in the name of one of the three parties in the Alliance, he added.

THE STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, JULY 30, 1974

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A pledge and a warning to youth

A traditional silat welcome for Tun Razak, flanked by Datuk Mohamed Rahmat, chairman of the Johore 4B Movement, and Mentri Besar Datuk Haji Othman Saat and Minister of Culture, Youth and Sports Datuk Haji Ali Haji Ahmad.

RAZAK: WE WILL LISTEN, BUT DON'T BE MISLED

JOHORE BARU, Mon.—Tun Abdul Razak said today that the views and opinions of youth and student organisations would be given due attention, but he warned them against being used by anti-national elements.

He said the Government's development efforts were being threatened by these bad elements.

"We know that these elements have begun to stir up trouble among the people with the aim of destroying our development programmes and creating chaos.

"Because of this, it is necessary for me to remind the people, especially our youths, not to be influenced and taken in by these elements."

Tun Razak said the anti-national elements were sometimes given the opportunity to stir up trouble through activities of youth organisations such as student bodies.

"The Government will take all the necessary actions to deprive these elements of opportunities to stir up trouble. But I would not like to see that we, on our part, provide them with opportunities, directly or indirectly, to use our organisations as their platform in destroying our development programmes," he said.

"The Government will not hesitate to take appropriate action against anyone who allows himself to be used by, or consorts with, these elements."

Pressure groups

The Prime Minister was opening the 4B seventh annual meeting at Dewan Jubli Intan here. The meeting was attended by more than 1,000 delegates and observers.

Also present were the Johore Mentri Besar, Datuk Haji Othman Saat, Selangor Mentri Besar Dato Harun Haji Idris and Pernas chairman Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah, both members of the movement's advisory board, and Minister of Culture, Youth and Sports, Datuk Ali Haji Ahmad.

Tun Razak said he was aware that youth and student bodies were anxious to play a role as "pressure groups."

His assurance

In a democratic country, he was prepared to accept their views and criticisms.

The government had therefore set up the National Youth Consultative Council with representatives from student and youth organisations.

"I urge the youths and students to use this channel to voice their

A grand welcome for Razak and Rahah

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utmost importance to the nation.

Only with this and full understanding of Government objectives could the goals of the new economic policy be achieved.

"This matter is not new, but I believe that with the cooperation of the people, especially the youths, we will be able to attain our objectives."

Tun Razak said he was glad that states like Johore, Pahang, Selangor and Perak had paid great attention to youth activities and supported their projects.

He hoped that the other states would do likewise and carry out their responsibilities towards their youths.

He also called on the private sector to help the youths by providing them with training, giving them job opportunities and supporting their projects.

Tun Razak suggested that youth organisations, in carrying out their programmes, should avoid duplication of work.

The Prime Minister said the Co-ordination, Implementation and Development Administration Division of his Department carried out a seminar recently to find ways of co-operation among organisations to avoid duplication.

New council

The seminar had suggested the formation of a co-ordinating council for voluntary organisations. This council would be set up soon under the Prime Minister's Department.

Tun Razak hoped the people would understand the concept of the National Front.

In the past, the political situation in the country was not so stable because there were several political parties which had differences with each other.

This had become a big problem in the implementation of development.

"I hope all the people will understand fully the true objectives of the National Front — that is, peace and prosperity, social and political stability, and a bright future for the nation."

Tun Razak was given a grand welcome when he arrived to open the meeting.

On touching down at the Senai international airport, he was received by a State Government committee headed by Datuk Othman Saat.

When he reached the courthouse, he was given another welcome, this time by hundreds of 4B youths.

He was received by Haji Suhaimi bin Dato' Kamaruddin, president of the movement, and Datuk Mohamed Rahmat, the vice-president and chairman of the organising committee of the meeting.

THE STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1974

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Polling day

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By
CHEONG MEI SUI and
KAMARUDIN ABD. RAHMAN

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. —The Election Commission has decided on Aug. 8 for nominations and Aug. 24 for polling day.

Writs of election have been issued to Returning Officers.

Nomination day will be a Thursday but polling day falls on a Saturday.

Voters in Peninsular Malaysia will go to the polls on only one day, on Aug. 24, but in Sabah polling will be spread over 15 days from Aug. 24, and in Sarawak the polling period will be 22 days, also starting on Aug. 24.

The longer polling periods in Sabah and Sarawak are necessary because of communication problems.

Voters in Sabah will only elect their members of Parliament this time, because their State Assembly was not dissolved today — having more than two years to run to its full term.

Tun: 'All settled'

Elsewhere in Malaysia, voters will be electing their members of Parliament and their State Assemblymen.

Tun Abdul Razak said today that the National Front "is all geared to face the elections."

"Everything is settled now," he told reporters after addressing more than 300 leaders of the Front's nine parties at the Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka here.

After the closed-door meeting there appeared to be last-minute bargaining for seats.

Leader after leader of the Front's component parties approached Tun Razak for a quiet word.

Acting MCA National President Datuk Lee San Choon was the first, followed by PPP leader Dato Sri S. P. Seenivasagam, Gerakan vice-president Dr. Lim Keng Yaik, Wanita Umno chief Puan Hajjah Aishah Ghani, MIC president Tan Sri V. Manickavasagam and PAS leader Datuk Haji Mohamed Asri.

Later, replying to questions on allocation of seats to the parties in the Front and whether the party leaders were satisfied, Tun Razak said: "Not all can be satisfied because there are nine parties ...it's obvious that the parties will have to get less than what they had before."

He added victory for the Front was more important than the allocation of seats.

New faces

The Front's Secretary-General, Mr. Michael Chen, said Tun Razak would decide on who should contest the Federal Territory's five seats.

He said the MCA would contest 24 or 25 parliamentary seats and the Gerakan six or seven.

He said the setting up of the Front was a "political revolution" after 17 years of rule by the Alliance. "We need to improve the party machinery to meet changing needs

TUN RAZAK at yesterday's meeting of National Front leaders . . .others in the picture are MIC leader Tan Sri V. Manickavasagam, Umno Youth leader Datuk Harun Idris and MIC vice-president Datuk Nahappan.

THE STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1974

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The new tasks local councils should take on

KUALA LUMPUR, Monday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK said today local authorities should now be more concerned with socio-economic activities and not merely the provision of obligatory and discretionary services.

They should emphasise matters such as planning, housing, urban renewal, transportation, preservation of historical buildings and places, provision of parks and open spaces, preventive health, health services and traffic management.

It was no longer true that local government provides only for care and maintenance services such as garbage collection, street lighting and licensing the various trades, Tun Razak said.

Local government could actively promote development in an orderly fashion as a planning and building authority.

A catalyst

He was speaking at the opening of a regional seminar on local government finance jointly sponsored by the UN Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (Ecafe) and the International Union of Local Authorities held at Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman here.

Tun Razak said: "Local government can act as a catalyst for industrial, commercial and housing development.

"It has to work hand in hand with the State governments, which are

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Miss T. F. Tabakaucoro, a delegate from Fiji, being introduced to Tun Razak at the seminar yesterday.

Razak on reforms for our local councils

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responsible for land administration and land alienation.

He said local government reforms have become necessary because of rapid urbanisation in developing countries.

"The competing demand for urban land for commercial, industrial, and housing and public institutional development are great and the allocation of land for these uses places great stress on the planning authorities.

Tun Razak said he was glad of the choice of subject chosen for discussion since finance was the mainstay of any government.

The exchange of experiences, ideas and views among participants would bring solutions to the financial problems of local authorities in the region.

Close to people

"As local government forms an important tier of government and is closer to the people it should receive close attention," he added.

He suggested that a regional secretariat for the local authorities union be set up to help to attract more members.

"Such a secretariat would stimulate the growth and development of local government to meet the challanges of unprecedented regional urban growth."

Tun Razak hoped that the reorganisation of Malaysia's local authorities would reduce the number to about 100 from the present 370 or so.

There would only be two types of local authorities, municipalities and district councils, based on the degree of urbanisation, financial status and population.

The first district councils had been established recently in Penang.

The Federal and State governments would continue to assist local authorities through grants-in-aid for infrastructure facilities and for other works of a service nature.

Local Government and Housing Minister Datuk Ong Kee Hui said the seminar was timely because Malaysia was carrying out local government reforms.

Rural benefits

The reforms will take time but when completed will give rural folk living outside local council limits the socio-economic benefits now enjoyed by the urban community.

Participants at the seminar were told of two Bills under which local government reforms are proposed: the Local Government Bill and the Local Government (Planning) Bill.

The first Bill would empower local authorities to raise loans, issue mortgages, and debenture stock, and borrow money from any person, for specific purposes, subject to the Finance Minister's approval.

The second Bill would empower States to set up State Planning Commissions for the conservation, use and development of all land.

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EX-GOVT OFFICER TO OPPOSE RAZAK IN PEKAN

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. — A former Government officer has announced his intention to stand for Parliament in Pekan where Tun Abdul Razak is expected to be the National Front candidate.

Encik Zulkifli Haji Ahmad, 33, standing as an independent, will also contest the state seat of Bandar Pekan.

In a statement today, he rated his chance of winning as very slim.

However, it would provide a yardstick on the extent to which the people would support young candidates with progressive ideas on development.

Encik Zulkifli, a University of Malaya graduate and a former income tax assessment officer in Kuantan, has chosen five issues as his platform for the campaign.

ENCIK ZULKIFLI

They are to:

- Eradicate the widespread moral and material exploitation of the people by leaders in power;
- Abolish nepotism;
- Urge the placing of the National Bureau of Investigation under the administration of the Judiciary;
- Call for the award of scholarships to all bumiputra students from Form 1 to the university level according to specific ratios; and
- Urge the setting up of an independent commission of inquiry into the running and administration of statutory bodies in Pahang which had committed to use vast sums of public funds.

"I have decided to contest the election because certain sections of Pekan people have approached me to be a candidate.

"It is also with the moral and material support of friends from the university days who were together with me in the students' union," he said.

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Tun Razak for Front rally

PETALING JAYA, Fri. — Tun Abdul Razak will address a public rally in support of the National Front parliamentary candidate for Petaling, Mr. Goh Hock Guan at the New Town Centre here at 7 p.m. tomorrow.

This is the first rally for the Prime Minister in Selangor.

Tun Razak will visit the National Front Operations Room in Petaling to inspect the organisation machinery before addressing the rally.

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—'BE WARY OF EMPTY PLEDGES OF OPPOSITION PARTIES'

Razak: Give me your 100 p.c. support

KEMAMAN, Fri. — Tun Abdul Razak wants the people to give 100 per cent support to National Front candidates in the Aug. 24 election.

This will enable the Government to intensify the pace of development and implement Government policies effectively, he said today.

Tun Razak was addressing more than 500 party workers at the town hall here during which the Parliamentary and four State Assembly candidates were introduced.

He said Front workers should not be complacent because of the party's initial success after nominations closed yesterday.

They should in fact strive for 100 per cent victory to ensure complete success for the Front, for it to determine the country's destiny.

Tun Razak said the 90 Parliamentary and State seats won unopposed after nominations closed yesterday was proof of the people's support.

Describing the victory as a blessing for the Front, the Prime Minister said: "We want the people's support in order to form a sincere, just and strong Government to serve the people."

He asked the people to be wary of empty promises by Opposition parties such as the Partai Sosialis Rakyat Malaya.

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Many Partai Rakyat leaders from outside Trengganu are contesting in the State. They include Kassim Ahmad, Datuk Kampo Rajo, and Siti Nor Hamid Tuah, who moved to Trengganu after facing previous defeats in Kedah.

"I am certain the people of Trengganu will not support these outsiders. We in the Front want local people to be our candidates."

Tun Razak and his party were escorted to the Umno building from the Trengganu-Pahang border by a motorcade of about 100 cars sporting Front flags.

In Dungun, Tun Razak called on Front members to strengthen party machinery for the fortnight of campaigning.

He hoped that Front candidates would win by comfortable majorities in the State.

"If possible, we should try to make sure our opponents lose their deposits."

More centres

Tun Razak reminded Malays that a strong Government was vital to ensure that the 30 per cent target of Malay participation in commerce and industry would be achieved.

At the moment, Malays own only two per cent of the total share capital in the country.

They have 16 years to achieve the 28 per cent required to meet the target.

The Prime Minister added that when the Trengganu Tengah integrated land development project was opened, more growth centres will be created.

This will help create jobs in Trengganu.

Tun Razak who was accompanied from Kemaman by Mentri Besar Datuk Haji Nik Hassan Abdul Rahman, later drove to Kuala Trengganu.

He had an audience with the Sultan at Istana Badariah and then left for Kuala Brang to meet Front workers there.

TUN RAZAK
... a blessing for the Front.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 1974

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Razak tells non-Malays: Here's your choice

By KAMARUDDIN RAHMAN: K. Lumpur, Sat.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK told Chinese and Indian voters tonight that they have a clear choice — either to be associated with a multi-racial Government," he told a massive a Malay Government.

"This is my message to the people tonight as we want a national and multi-racial Government, he told a massive National Front rally here.

He said Umno and PAS could easily command a majority in Parliament and form a Malay Government.

He based this on the number of candidates from the two parties returned unopposed and others who would win easily on Aug. 24.

Tun Razak advised the Chinese and Indian voters not to be misguided by the DAP to deny the National Front of a two-thirds majority.

"This would only be possible at the expense of non-Malay candidates standing on National Front tickets," he said.

He said that by returning such candidates a multi-racial Government is assured for the good of everyone and the nation.

Honest Govt

"We would only invite Chinese and Indians from the National Front to join the Government.

"We do not want those from Pekemas, DAP or Partai Rakyat to join us."

Tun Razak said it was his intention to form a national and multi-racial Government and not a Malay Government.

The national Government would be an honest and just Government.

It would look after the security of the country and carry out development projects to benefit all Malaysians.

He advised the people not to vote for the

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Tun Razak chatting with Mr. Goh Hock Guan and Dato Harun Idris (left).

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Opposition because they had no principles and could not form a government.

He also told the rally of the National Front concept which is aimed at reducing politicking for the sake of the nation in its quest for peace and prosperity.

Tun Razak said the Government must be given 100 per cent support so that it could continue what it had been doing all this while.

"There is still a lot to be done for the country," he added.

He mentioned the Second Malaysia Plan, the New Economic Policy and other development programmes in the country.

The Front's candidate for the Petaling parliamentary seat, Mr. Goh Hock Guan, said a vote for the Opposition would be a "wasted vote".

"It will be of only academic interest because of the childish break-up of the opposition and their dismal inability to combine forces for the national good.

Visible proof

"A vote for the Front, in sharp contrast, is a vote for effectiveness and unity, so basic and necessary for further growth and national security," added Mr. Goh.

He said criticisms or condemnations by the "disintegrated opposition" will not reduce the visible proof of success of the Front.

The Sunday Times, August 11, 1974

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WHY RAZAK WANTS CHINESE AND INDIANS IN THE GOVT

MALACCA, Sat. — The National Front Director of Elections, Encik Ghafar Baba, met heads of Umno branches from the State constituency of Ayer Molek at Rumah Umno here today.

Fourteen branches have expressed their support for Front candidates in the parliamentary and State elections.

The candidates include Tan Sri Chong Hon Nyan for the parliamentary constituency of Batu Berendam and Encik Mohamed Di bin Abdul Ghani for the State seat of Ayer Molek.

Encik Ghafar, who is Rural Economic Development Minister said he would meet the heads of all Umno branches in the 20 constituencies in the State.

'The irony'

Speaking at the Front's rally at Bukit Piatu last night, he said Tun Razak wanted the Chinese and Indians to participate in the Government and their leaders appointed as Cabinet Ministers.

The Malays who supported the Front could win enough seats to run the country, but the Tun wanted the Chinese and Indians to be in the Government, so as to be fair to all.

He urged the Chinese to support the Front under the leadership of Tun Razak if they wanted peace and prosperity.

On the Prime Minister's China visit, he said the welcome accorded him was an indication of the regard and respect the 800 million Chinese had for the Tun, "but ironically, there are two Chinese here who do not trust the Tun — Mr. Lim Kit Siang of the DAP and Dr. Tan Chee Khoon of Pekemas."

350,000 jobs

Encik Ghafar said the Government had during the past two-and-a-half years created 350,000 jobs under the Second Malaysia Plan by encouraging local and foreign investment.

He said our national revenue has increased considerably to more than $4,000 million since independence. And there were still 30 million acres of land to be developed, he added.

He said that if parties like the DAP, Pekemas or Party Rakyat came into power there would be chaos in the country.

"The Party Rakyat, for example, wanted to nationalise foreign estates and firms — this would result in unemployment.

"We want peace, harmony and parliamentary democracy in the country and this can only be provided by the National Front," he said.

PTR KA 2007 254/78.

Tun to speak at five rallies in Penang, Kedah

PENANG Sat. — Tun Abdul Razak will speak at a National Front rally at the Datuk Keramat padang here on Thursday night.

At a rally in Butterworth on Friday, PAS president Datuk Haji Mohamed Asri will be one of the speakers.

In Permatang Pauh, Province Wellesley, about 1,000 National Front workers have started their campaign in support of their parliamentary candidate here, lawyer Ariffin Haji Daud.

Encik Ariffin, 36, will be engaged in a three-cornered fight with Encik Abu Bakar Munir (Pekemas) and Encik Baharuddin Ibrahim (Partai Rakyat).

The Front has set up an elections operations headquarters here to co-ordinate the campaign for the parliamentary and State seats.

The candidate for the Kubang Semang seat, Haji Mohamed Noor, said: "We are fully prepared and are confident of victory."

Tun Razak is expected to visit Kedah on Tuesday to help in the election campaign.

Kedah Umno Youth leader Dato Syed Nahar Shahabuddin said today Tun Razak would speak at four public rallies.

The Tun is scheduled to speak at Sungei Bahru and at the 8½ mile Langgar-Kuala Nerang road in the morning.

In the afternoon, Tun Razak will speak at Guar Chempedak and at night in Sungei Patani.

Last night, a Front rally scheduled to be held at the 6th mile Ayer Hitam Kodiang Road was cancelled because a police permit could not be obtained.

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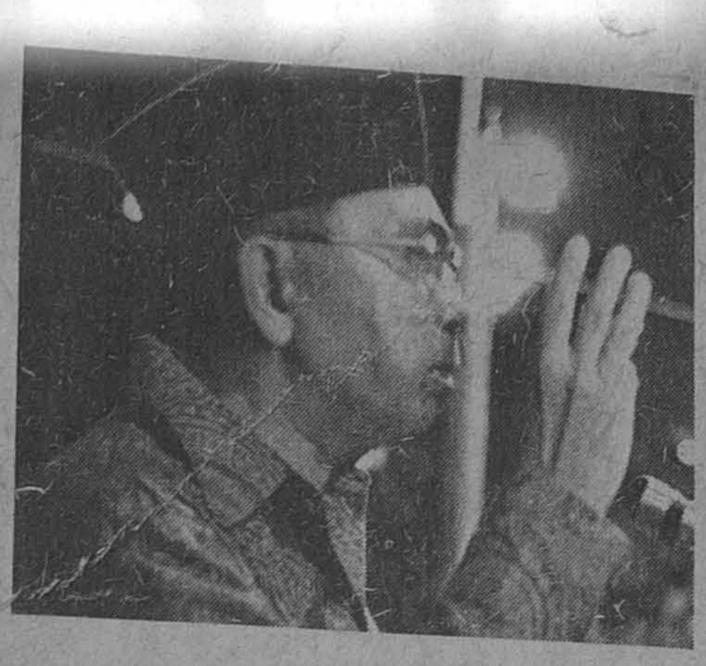
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1974

Govt taking note of a trend—stern action to follow



"If I had been power crazy as the Director of Operations, I could have passed new laws every day . . . Nobody could have stopped me then. I could have thrown people into the prison at will. However, I am not crazy for power and that is why democracy was restored . . . I am told that no other world leader, after tasting so much absolute power, returned it to the people."

— Tun Abdul Razak

Racial issues: Tun's warning

PENANG, Tues. — Tun Abdul Razak said today that Opposition parties had lately fallen back on their old campaigning methods of harping on communal issues.

The Government had noted this trend and would take stern action, he said at a meeting to introduce National Front candidates at Bayan Lepas, 12 miles from here.

The Prime Minister denied that he was greedy for power. He had never dreamed of becoming a dictator. This had been proved after May 13.

Commenting on an allegation by Pekemas leader Dr. Tan Chee Khoon, he said: "If I had been power crazy as the Director of Operations, I could have passed new laws every day.

"Nobody could have stopped me then. I could have thrown people into the prison at will. However, I am not crazy for power and that is why democracy was restored.

"I am told that no other world leader, after tasting so much absolute power, has returned it to the people."

Tun Razak said he wanted the people to vote for the National Front because the Government had so much to do to ensure that the country was fully developed.

The Government could step up its development efforts if the people gave it 100 per cent support.

Tun Razak said the Penang State Government intended to set up an urban renewal centre to provide opportunities,

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TUN RAZAK addressing a rally in Kangar on Monday night.

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Tun goes to Penang after Perlis and Kedah hustings

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especially for Malays, to participate in commerce and industry.

The Central Government, he said, had also agreed to build a bridge from Penang to Prai.

"This is a big project, and the Central Government has agreed to build it soon."

Tun Razak said the Umno and PAS coalition was a good political development because the Malay community was unified.

"I have just come from Kedah and Perlis and I am happy to note that leaders of the two parties are working together to ensure the success of our candidates.

On the call by Partai Sosialis Rakyat to nationalise foreign capital, Tun Razak said it was an irresponsible statement.

The country needed financial aid and expertise of foreign countries.

Confident

The Partai Sosialis Rakyat had also said that it would establish a bank for the people if the party won in Penang, "but the authority for setting up a bank lies with the Federal Government."

He added that the Partai Sosialis Rakyat would not be able to set up a bank so long as he remained the Finance Minister.

Penang Alliance chairman Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie, who was also at the meeting, told reporters he was confident the National Front would capture most of the seats in Penang.

Shouts of "Berjaya!" greeted Tun Razak when he arrived at the Merdeka Bridge on the Kedah-Province Wellesley border this afternoon after his weekend electioneering tour of Kedah and Perlis.

Speaking at a rally at the Datuk Keramat Padang tonight, Tun Razak said National Front representatives in Parliament and State Assemblies would also be with the people because we believe our party is the party of the people and we will look after their interests."

A pledge

"I would like to assure you that they (the representatives) will do this.

"If they don't I will see to it that in future we will not choose representatives who are not prepared to serve the people."

Tun Razak said if the people voted for the Scales of Justice, the Government would not fail them.

Penang Chief Minister Dr. Lim Chong Eu and MCA president Datuk Lee San Choon were among the Front leaders who spoke at the rally, attended by about 40,000 people.

PIR KA 2009 256/78.

GARLANDS ALL THE WAY FOR TUN

"NO more please" . . . Tun Abdul Razak seems to be saying as National Front candidate for Ipoh, Mr. R. C. M. Rayan, places yet another garland round the Prime Minister's neck. Tun Razak was in Ipoh on Thursday to address a rally on the children's playground.

Keng Yaik on what makes the Front tick

IPOH, Fri. — The National Front is based on the unity of the people adapted to the realities of the political changes and faith in the leadership of Tun Abdul Razak.

"This is why the nine parties in the Front have interests and united to strive for a just and peaceful society," added Gerakan national deputy chairman, Senator Dr. Lim Keng Yaik.

He was speaking at a ...nt rally at the Child...s Playground at ...ch the Prime Minister was the main speaker. About 10,000 people crowded the field and adjoining streets, which were closed to traffic.

"When I joined the Gerakan there was doubt among the people, whether the Gerakan and the M.C.A. can work together," said Dr. Lim who was a Cabinet Minister while with the M.C.A.)

"Today, the M.C.A. is not only working with the Gerakan but also with the P.P.P." he said.

"Can Mr. Lim Kit Siang (D.A.P.) stand on the platform of Dr. Tan Chee Khoon (Pekemas) or vice versa?" Dr. Lim asked. "This shows the maturity and farsightedness of politicians in the Front."

Dr. Lim said that foreign countries, especially China, and their leaders believe in and respect our Prime Minister, as judged by the unprecedented welcome accorded him on his recent visit to China.

"We believe in our own Prime Minister and what he stands for If you do, then give your votes to the Front," said Dr. Lim.

"The political situation has changed and is continuing to change and we must not be misled by the emotional appeals of the D.A.P.

"We must be sensible and study the political changes thoroughly. We would be destroying our-

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Pledge of support for Tun by Orang Asli chiefs

ORANG ASLI chiefs pledging their support for Tun Abdul Razak and the National Front.

About 20 chiefs gave this pledge when Tun Razak called on National Front workers at the Tapah Rest House on Friday.

The chiefs repre-

The Sunday Times, August 18, 1974

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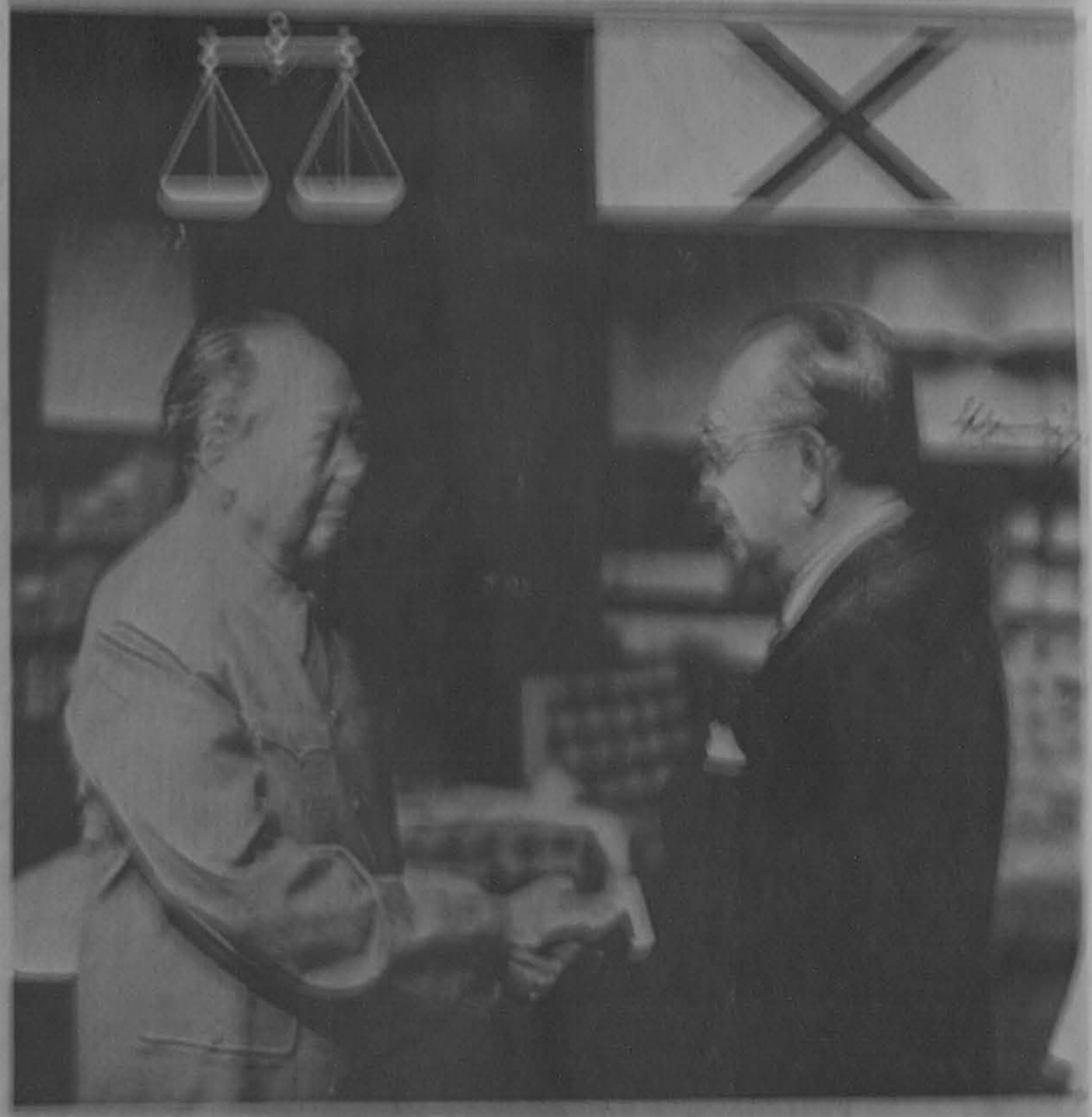

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馬中建交成功
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Another 200,000 copies being printed

Ipoh on Thursday night.

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The distribution of this pamphlet drew criticisms from the opposition.

The Sunday Times, August 18, 1974

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The Sunday Times, August 18, 1974

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Big demand for Razak-Mao handshake photo

IPOH, Sat. — The People's Progressive Party which is contesting the general elections under the National Front sprang a surprise in the hustling for votes and it has drawn the ire of the Pekemas.

Cashing in on Tun Razak's Peking visit and his 90-minute talk with Chairman Mao Tse-tung, the PPP has printed full-coloured pamphlets of the historic handshake between the two leaders.

The PPP secretary-general, Mr. Khong Kok Yat, said today: "We originally printed 150,000 copies for distribution to the electorate here. Six thousand of them were snapped up at the National Front rally which Tun Razak addressed in Ipoh on Thursday night.

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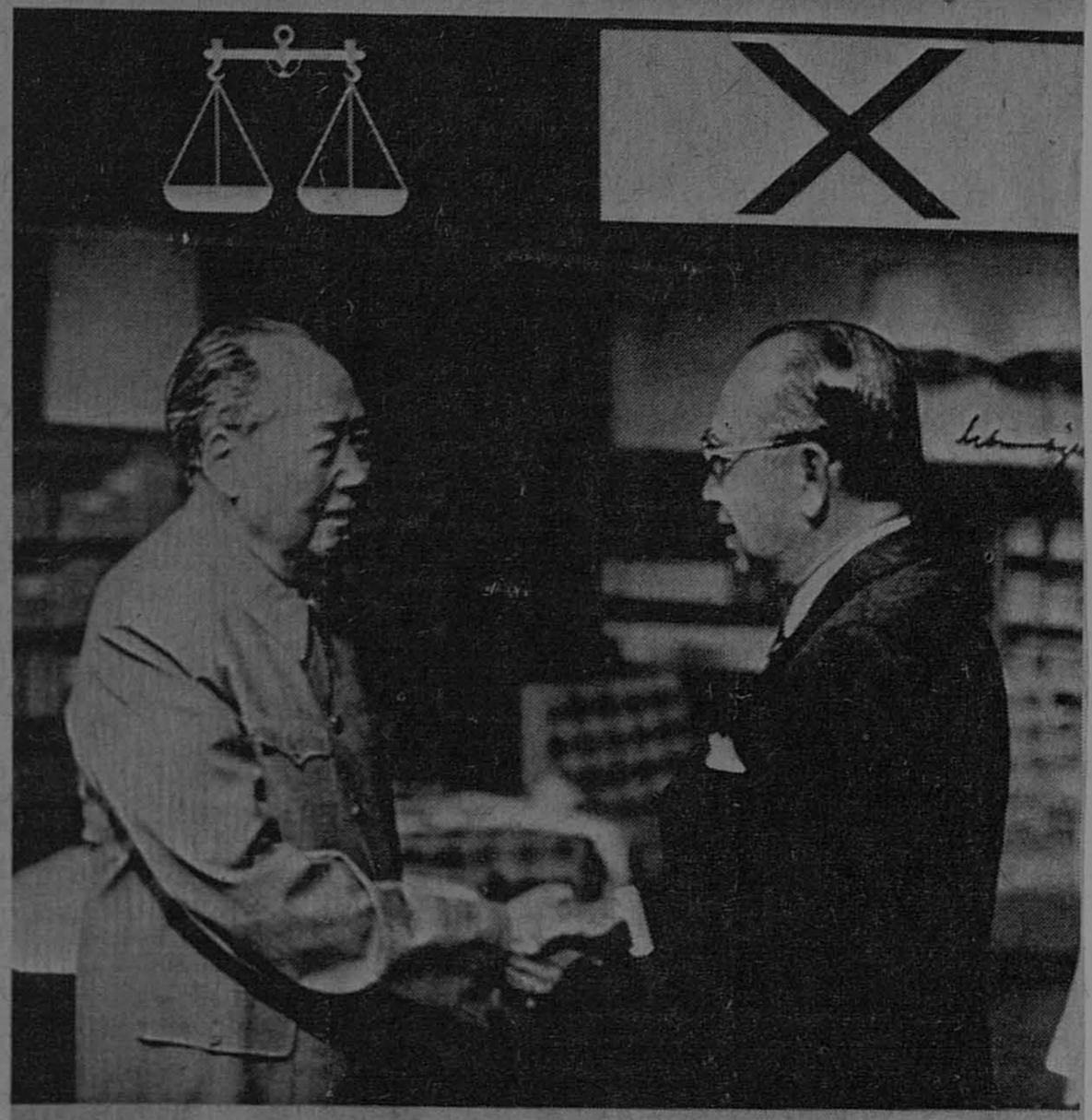

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PIR KA 2012 259/78.

We uphold safeguards in Constitution

Tun nails lying whispers

TUN RAZAK arriving at the Chinese Recreation Club in Seremban yesterday.

SEREMBAN, Sunday

TUN ABDUL RAZAK today nailed the Opposition lie — spread in a "whispering campaign" — that the Government is anti-Chinese.

The Alliance Government and later the National Front Government had ruled the country for 18 years justly and fairly, he added.

There are provisions in the Constitution regarding Chinese language and culture and it is the intention of the Government to keep to them," he said.

Even the People's Republic of China, a Chinese Government, recognised that the Malaysian Government was not against the Chinese, he said.

Tun Razak who was speaking to nearly 1,000 party workers here said the Opposition had been stirring up communal feelings through whispering campaigns.

The Prime Minister stressed again the importance of the Chinese and Indians voting for non-Malay candidates from the National Front.

He also advised the people not to be influenced by communal sentiments of the Opposition, if they did not want another NOC-type of Government.

He said the National Front is not hungry for power but only wants it in order to serve the people and not for personal interests.

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PIR KA 0013 360/78.

All eyes on the Tun

TUN Abdul Razak addressing about 2,000 National Front workers at the Dewan Hang Tuah in Malacca on Saturday.

Tun Razak also spoke at a rally at night. He told the people that the most important issue in the election is continued peace and progress in the country.

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TUN RAZAK arriving in Kuching yesterday. With him are Datuk Rahman Yakub (foreground) and Datuk Musa Hitam (right).

I've proof of SNAP's foreign links: Razak

KUCHING, Monday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK said today that SNAP leaders here have connections with a foreign power.

"I have evidence of these connections," he told a Press conference at Kuching airport on his arrival from Kuala Lumpur.

The Prime Minister questioned the loyalty of the Opposition party's leaders.

"They did not oppose Brunei's claim over Limbang. They have not shown loyalty to the State. Therefore, if the people of Sarawak vote for SNAP, their future and the future of the State will be jeopardised."

Tun Razak said SNAP had spent a large sum of money in the present election campaign, and warned the people not to be taken in by SNAP's "sweet words and monetary promises."

It was important for the people of Sarawak to think carefully and vote for the party supported by the Federal Government, he said.

"This is to ensure peace, stability and the future of the State," he said.

"The National Front will form an honest, sincere and united government to serve the people.

"The people here have the choice — to vote for a strong government or to suffer."

Since the formation of the Coalition Government in Sarawak, the State had shown tremendous progress in development and security, he said.

Reds' surrender

"The surrender of 600 communist terrorists recently is one example."

Tun Razak, accompanied by Deputy Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Musa Hitam, was greeted on arrival by Sarawak Chief Minister Datuk Abdul Rahman Yakub, Primary Industries Minister Datuk Taib Mahmud, and Local Government and Housing Minister Datuk Ong Kee Hui.

Tun Razak met National Front supporters and workers at the State Council Chambers this afternoon, and addressed a mass rally at the Kuching central padang tonight.

He is expected to make a radio broadcast to explain the National Front concept to the Sarawak people.

THE STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1974

PTR KA 2015 262/78.

Vote the Front or suffer for next 5 years: Razak

KUCHING, Monday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK told the people of Sarawak tonight that they could vote the National Front into power in the State for guaranteed peace and prosperity, or support SNAP and suffer for the next five years.

"The Federal Government will only co-operate in the implementation of development projects in Sarawak if the State Government belongs to the National Front family," he told 30,000 people at a National Front rally at the central padang here.

The Prime Minister said that since the formation of a coalition government — and later a National Front Government — Sarawak had enjoyed progress and change.

"The fruits of success are yours but they will disappear should you put SNAP into power," he added.

Tun Razak praised the Sarawak State Government under the leadership of Chief Minister Datuk Haji Abdul Rahman Yakub.

So far, he said, the Federal Government had spent $800 million for development projects in the State.

● Rebels without a cause: 10

"With the blessing of God, the National Front will achieve a 100 per cent victory and continue to form the State Government."

Tun Razak said SNAP could not govern because it was inexperienced in the administrative field.

He warned Opposition parties not to continue playing with racial sentiments. "I am worried that if racial sentiments are continually used, another

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GOVT WILL ALWAYS PAY FOR LAND: TUN

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May 13 might explode and this will hamper development," he added.

He told the people the Front was formed to unite all political parties for the interest of the people.

He said that although he was busy in Peninsular Malaysia, he came to Sarawak to clear any doubt about the National Front "because I love the State and the people".

Datuk Rahman said a SNAP candidate tried recently to get the support of Ibans in the rural areas by alleging that the State Government would be seizing their land.

"This isn't true because the State Government will pay compensation to land owners if it wants to take their land for any development project," he added.

He also assured the people that the police, army and the National Front Government would look after their safety on polling day.

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Razak on why the Opposition can't solve our problems

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak said tonight that Opposition parties, in two weeks of election campaigning, had yet to put up any sound policy to meet Malaysia's problems.

They did not have any alternative to the National Front's New Economic Policy to ensure fair and just distribution of wealth, he said in a radio broadcast to wind up the Election Talk political broadcasts.

"Indeed, they all supported the Government's New Economic Policy," he added.

The Prime Minister dismissed Opposition parties' claims.

Partai Sosialis Rakyat was in no position to ensure prosperity, he said, as its concept of socialism was not suitable and was contrary to Malaysia's democratic principles.

The DAP had, in desperation, played on racial issues such as Chinese language and culture, Tun Razak said.

He reassured the people that the Government "guarantees the rights of every community in the country as enshrined in the Constitution. . . and will not do anything which is against the Constitution and Rukunegara.

Pekemas, Tun Razak said, has conceded that they cannot form the next Government and can only hope to provide an Opposition to the Government.

Loyalty test

Tun Razak said the issue of an Oppositoin was secondary The really important thing is national solidarity to ensure political stability and peace in the country.

The Sarawak National Party (SNAP), he said, has raised parochial matters and he hoped the people of Sarawak would not be influenced by their slogan "Sarawak for Sarawakians."

"I am sure they know that Sarawak became independent through Malaysia and has benefited tremendously by being in Malaysia.

"The loyalty of SNAP leaders is also questionable because they have not opposed Brunei's so-called claim on Limbang."

The Independents, Tun Razak said, could not provide any policy or programme for the people, as most of them are ex-party members while others are just trying to have a stake in the political gamble.

"They entered the contest purely for self-interest and cannot sincerely serve the people," he said.

Tun Razak said the Front wanted to form a national government comprising representatives of the major races in the country as only such a government could ensure peace.

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Razak to look into 14,000 'missing' names

By KAMARUDDIN RAHMAN

'THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN A MISTAKE'

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak said tonight he would instruct the Election Commission to look into the missing 14,000 voters in the Kuala Lumpur Bandar parliamentary constituency.

"Their names might have been left out by mistake by the officials," he said.

Tun Razak was speaking at a National Front rally here in support of its candidate for the constituency, Mr. Alex Lee.

Mr. Lee had earlier appealed to the Prime Minister to look into the matter. He claimed that during his campaigning, he found that 14,000 names had been left out of the register.

In a statement earlier today, Mr. Lee asked the Election Commission to state what steps it had taken before deleting the names.

He said that a registered voter is not obliged to check his name on the electoral roll annually.

Mr. Lee said the registration officer is not empowered to exclude previously registered voters.

He brought up the issue of the missing voters last Monday. Election Commission chairman Tan Sri Ahmad Perang replied that voters in Kuala Lumpur Bandar had themselves to blame if their names were not on the roll.

Mr. Lee said the registration officer could only delete names of voters if he was satisfied that a voter is dead or had been disqualified.

"To satisfy himself, the officer is entitled to carry out house-to-house checks to obtain particulars," he said.

The law

"However, before expunging any voter, the officer has to show that he has posted by ordinary post a letter to the voter concerned requesting for particulars and that such particulars had not been delivered or not been rendered within the specified period of 14 days.

Mr. Lee had said last Monday that he was organising a petition to the

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I'll only work with Front MPs, says Tun

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Election Commission on the matter.

Tun Razak told the rally that the Front had won 47 parliamentary seats and would win more on Saturday to form a Federal Government.

He advised them to cast their votes wisely because the election results would determine their future for the next five years.

Tun Razak said the Front wanted a strong, honest and stable Government so that it could carry out its development programmes.

At least another 20 years were needed for them to be completed, he added.

The Front also wished to see peace and the cooperation between the various races maintained.

He also told the people in the Federal Territory that if they voted for Opposition candidates there would be difficulty in the implementation of projects in the area.

'Just as good'

The Federal Government is responsible for the territory, and not the Datuk Bandar as claimed by the Opposition.

Tun Razak said he would only co-operate with elected representatives from the Front.

Mr. Lee, who is contesting the seat with DAP's Mr. Lee Lam Thye and Pekemas' Mr. Yeoh Teck Chye, said the future of the Chinese reformist movement, Kuala Lumpur and the Chinese in Malaysia depended on the result of the Kuala Lumpur Bandar election.

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Landslide win in sight, says Tun

KUALA LUMPUR, Thursday

TUN Abdul Razak is confident of a landslide victory for the National Front in Saturday's general election.

He made this assessment on the basis of a "change of attitude" among voters — both in urban and rural constituencies — over the last few days.

The Prime Minister said this at a Press conference at the Damansara National Front headquarters in Jalan Bungsar today after meeting voters and Front workers in Kampung Kerinchi and Pantai Halt.

Earlier in Kampung Kerinchi, Tun Razak urged the people not to vote for Opposition parties "as they cannot help you."

He was happy that National Front supporters had worked hard to ensure victory in the elections.

Loyalty vital

The Prime Minister and his wife, Toh Puan Rahah, were greeted by National Front supporters and residents of Kampung Kerinchi flats when they visited the Front's operations room.

In **PEKAN**, Tun Razak told Umno members today that it was important for them to give complete loyalty to the party to ensure success in the elections.

"Those who are faithful will be rewarded," he said during a dialogue with Umno members. He warned that stern action would be taken against Umno members supporting Independent candidates.

At a rally attended by more than 20,000 people in **KUANTAN** yesterday, Tun Razak gave an assurance that he would see that elected National Front candidates carried out their duties properly.

"Those who use their positions for personal gain will be dealt with by the party," he said.

Tun Razak urged voters to give the Government a new mandate to continue its development efforts.

Menteri Besar Datuk Haji Abdul Aziz Ahmad disclosed that when the port at Tanjong Gelang was completed in 1978, 10,000 new jobs would be created.

A section of the mammoth crowd at the National Front rally which Tun Abdul Razak addressed at the Stadium Negara car park in Kuala Lumpur last night. A colour film featuring the Prime Minister's visit to China was screened.

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Filipino Muslims:

Tohamy briefs the Tun

KUALA LUMPUR, Thursday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK was briefed today on the problems of Muslims in Southern Philippines in the context of a resolution passed by the Muslim Foreign Ministers Conference.

The briefing was given by the Secretary-General of the Islamic Secretariat, Mr. Hassan Al-Tohamy who called on the Prime Minister to congratulate him on the Naeign Ministers' Conference.

He was accompanied by Foreign Ministry Secretary-General Tan Sri Zaiton Ibrahim Ahmad and Malaysian Ambassador to the Philippines Datuk Ahmad Zainal Abidin.

Held talks

Mr. Al-Tohamy arrived here three days ago from Manila, where he held talks with President Marcos on the problems of Muslims in Southern Philippines.

In Manila, he also discussed co-operation between the Philippine Government and the Islamic Secretariat to channel aid to more than 10,000 Muslim refugees affected by the recent clash between Government troops and rebels.

He said the Islamic Secretariat had already agreed in principle to help Muslims in the Philippines by establishing a welfare and relief agency.

No decision

The secretariat had not decided on the "size of assistance" for the Filipino Muslims, but he said about $18 million would be spent.

The size of assistance had not been assessed yet because "we still don't know the extent of co-operation we will receive from the Philippines," he said.

Mr. Al-Tohamy will will meet senior Government officials here before leaving for North African countries by the weekend.

NEW STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 1974

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Razak's visit to Australia put off

CANBERRA, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak's visit to Australia has been postponed because of New Zealand Prime Minister Norman Kirk's illness, a Department of Foreign Affairs spokesman said today.

Tun Razak's visit had been due to start about the middle of next month. He had also been scheduled to go to New Zealand.

The spokesman said it was hoped to re-schedule the visit later this year. — Reuter.

NEW STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 1974

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Razak gets 'well done' message from Indira

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Indian Prime Minister Mrs. Indira Gandhi has sent a congratulatory message to Tun Abdul Razak on the National Front's striking success in the recent election.

The message read: "We rejoice that the people of Malaysia of all races and religions have so overwhelmingly reaffirmed their confidence in your policies and leadership.

"We are confident that the traditional ties of friendship and co-operation between our two countries will be further strengthened in the future.

"Please accept my best wishes for your welfare and for the continued progress of the Malaysian people."

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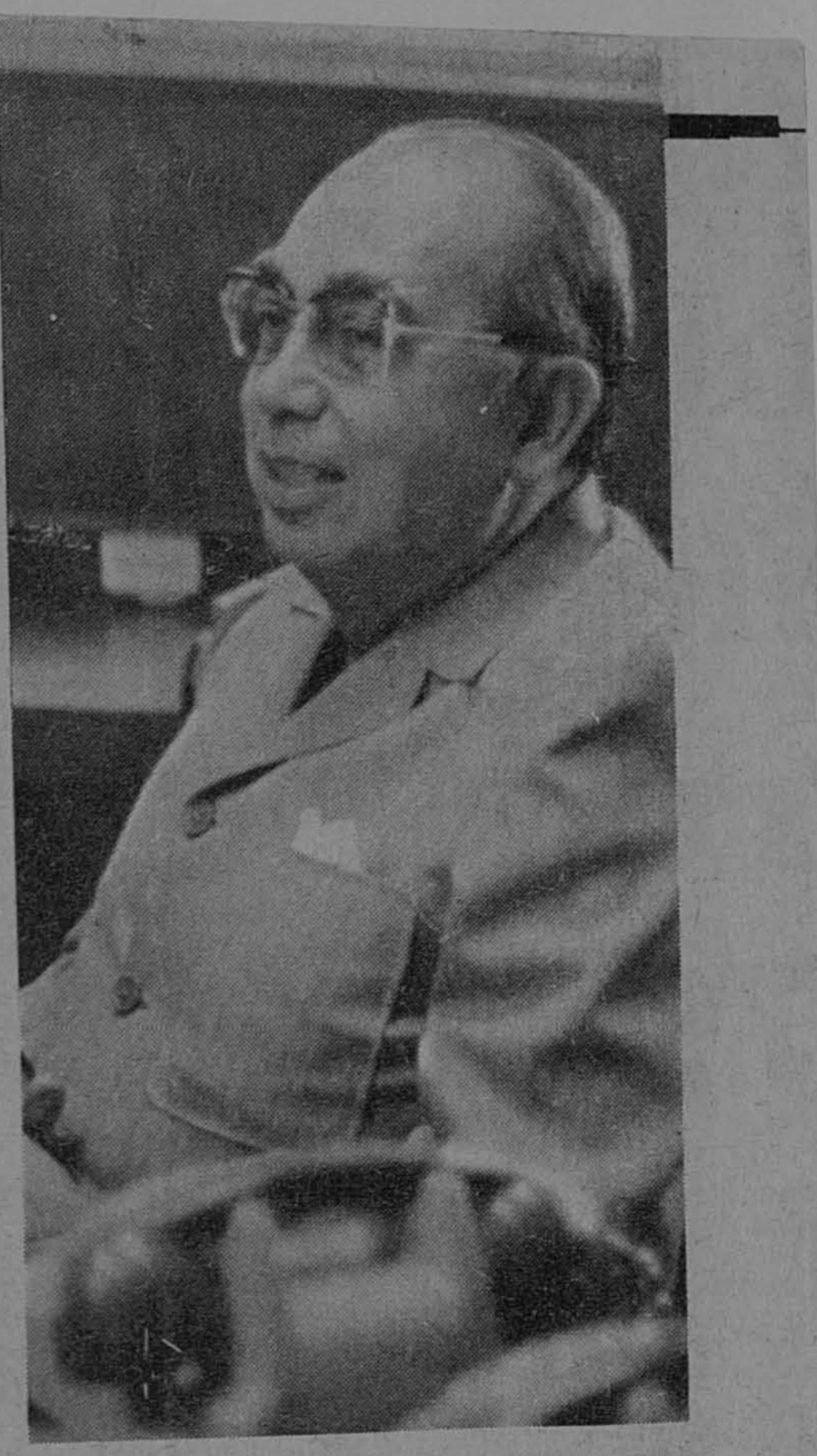
Tun Razak's N-Day message

Challenges we face in the years to come



ON the occasion of this auspicious and historic day, it is usual for us as Malaysians, wherever we are, to celebrate this day with happiness and pray to Allah for peace and protection at all times.

In celebrating the day we should keep a minute's silence for our leaders who have departed and our heroes who have fallen in defence of our beloved nation.

I am indeed happy and thankful to God as I speak to you in a happy atmosphere following the landslide victory of the National Front in the recent election. Only the Sarawak election remains to be completed but I am confident that the people there, as with people in other places, will give full support to the National Front.

The great victory achieved by the National Front clearly proves that the people want a strong and sincere Government who can preserve and guarantee the people's unity and the nation's prosperity. As I have always stressed, only the National Front Government can fulfil the people's aspirations, bringing them a new era of peace and happiness.

I would like to take this opportunity to convey the greatest appreciation and thanks to you all for the trust and support by giving a new mandate to the National Front Government to serve the nation for the next five years.

Nationalists

The Front Government is determined to continue with sincere and dedicated leadership to bring peace, prosperity and justice to the people and the nation.

To MPs and State Assemblymen of the Front who won, I would stress that the trust given by the people means that we have a heavy responsibility to fulfil the hopes they place in us. We must serve the people with earnestness and dedication.

I hope to announce the new Cabinet soon. Meanwhile, I wish to express my appreciation to several Ministers who have withdrawn after long service to the people and nation. We will always remember Tun Tan Siew Sin, Tun V. T. Sambanthan and Tan Sri Sardon Jubir and I believe the people will always remember their deeds which will be recorded in the nation's history.

I am confident that members of the new Cabinet will carry out their tasks and responsibilities with sincerity for the people and the nation's progress.

To the younger generation, in particular, this National Day celebration means a lot as today our thoughts go back to the struggle for the nation's Independence led by the national "fighters." From another point of view, every time we celebrate National Day, it means another step forward to fulfil Independence.

Generally, 1974 saw greater progress and brighter hope. The implementation of the Second Malaysia Plan under the New Economic Policy has made very satisfactory progress. Our programme stretches over a 20-year period. So far, a lot has been achieved, particularly in respect of job opportunities through industrial projects and land opening by Felda and the private sector.

I am confident with our bold and positive steps, the full objectives can be achieved in the planned period. Nobody can deny that the New Economic Policy guarantees the have-nots in the country a better deal in the modern economic sector and a fairer share of the wealth and facilities.

I would like to emphasise that in the Government's efforts to build a just society in this multi-racial nation, the most vital factor is unity and understanding among the people. Without unity, the Government's good intentions would be difficult to achieve.

I call on the people to promote greater understanding and respect for one another to perpetuate the harmony and peace among them. Refrain from actions which can bring conflict among the communities and division among ourselves.

The Government which I lead will continue to take appropriate steps to guarantee the nation's peace and harmony in all endeavours which involve the livelihood of all the people.

For the past few years we have emphasised the concept of unity as set out in the Rukunegara as our National Day theme. This year we choose the theme "Science and Technology as an Instrument for Unity" to remind us of the importance of science and technology in accelerating the nation's progress and development which will ultimately guarantee stability and the creation of the nation we love.

Quote

"Next year and the coming years will certainly bring new challenges. The world economic situation, particularly the spiralling cost of oil and other commodities, will affect the economy. But the Government is determined to face this challenge and I am confident the people will rally round to strive for a bright future for themselves and for the nation."

— Tun Razak, Aug. 31, 1974

Knowledge

Knowledge, particularly scientific and technological knowledge, is vital in building a modern and progressive Malaysian nation. Our success in bridging the gap between the rural and urban societies greatly depends on the use of science and technology, especially in the agricultural and industrial fields.

In the next few years, the Government will multiply its efforts to modernise the people whether they are padi farmers or rubber smallholders; the fishermen who win a living from the ocean; the businessmen and the small shopkeepers in the kampungs.

It should be remembered that as long as there is any group left behind, the economic gap between the haves and have-nots will be there. If such a situation is not remedied there will be no true unity.

It is therefore apt that we choose the theme "Science and Technology as An Instrument for Unity" for this National Day celebration in the hope that the people realise and accept it as an important factor in our life.

In the same way, we know that knowledge enables the people to think in depth to understand and solve complex problems which might arise from the different cultural and traditional backgrounds of the various races.

Elements of modernisation based on science and technology can be the foundation to foster unity among the people. The important thing is collation of the good elements from the cultures and traditions of the major races in our nation with the elements of modern knowledge based on science and technology so that in several generations to come will emerge a society which truly has the Malaysian characteristics, have the attitude and way of life which is truly Malaysian.

I thank Allah that the security situation in the country on the whole is good though there is still the threat of the terrorists in the jungles aided by anti-national elements and their agents in towns and kampungs. However, our positive steps have caused many terrorists in Sarawak to lay down their arms and return to society.

In Peninsular Malaysia, I am always prepared to accept them if they stop their acts of terrorism and lay down their arms. But, if they choose to continue with their futile struggle, the Government will continue to wipe them out from the face of Malaysia.

In foreign affairs, we continue to carry out our non-aligned, independent and active policy to promote relations with big and small nations alike, irrespective of their ideological beliefs, political systems or national economy.

We will strengthen relations with Islamic nations to promote brotherhood and unity among Muslims and to widen our trade relations with these nations.

We will continue to strive to get the support of the big powers, i.e. the US, Soviet Union and China, to make our proposal to make the South-east Asian region a zone of peace, freedom and neutrality a reality.

With the Government's present realistic and practical policies, I am confident that the future of Malaysia will be very bright. In the last few years, we have succeeded in solving socio-economic development problems satisfactorily.

Inflation

Today, our political, economic and financial position is strong. But there are still problems beyond our control such as inflation which, in one way or another make life difficult fo the people.

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The way to ensure unity

NATIONAL DAY

Make sure you get your 20-page National Day special with today's paper.

By CHEONG MEI SUI: Kuala Lumpur, Friday

TUN Abdul Razak said tonight the National Front's great victory in the general election clearly proved the people wanted a strong and sincere Government which could guarantee the nation's unity and prosperity.

"As I have always stressed, only the National Front Government can fulfil the people's aspirations, bringing them to a new era of peace and happiness," he added.

The Prime Minister said this in a National Day speech over Radio and Television Malaysia.

He said he was confident that the people in Sarawak would also give their full support to the Front.

He thanked the people for giving the Front Government a new mandate.

"The Government is determined to continue giving its sincere and dedicated leadership to bring peace, prosperity and justice to the people and nation," he said.

He added that the people would always remember Tun Tan Siew Sin, Tun V. T. Sambanthan and Tan Sri Sardon Jubir for their services.

He was confident that the new Cabinet would carry out its task and responsibilities with de-

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LAY DOWN ARMS, RAZAK TELLS THE REDS

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celerating progress and development."

Tun Razak said the general security situation was good, though there was still the terrorist threat.

"But our positive actions have resulted in many terrorists in Sarawak laying down their arms and returning to society.

"In Peninsular Malaysia, I am always prepared to accept them if they stop their acts of terrorism and lay down their arms.

"But, if they choose to continue with their futile struggle, the Government would go on with the fight until they are wiped out," he added.

Messages

National Day congratulatory messages have been sent by India, the Philippines, South Korea, Pakistan, Vietnam, Canada and Burma.

The messages came from President Shri Fekhruddin Ali Ahmad of India, President Ferdinand Marcos of the Philippines, President Park Chung Hee of South Korea;

President Fazal Elahi Chaudhry and Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto of Pakistan, President Nguyen- Van-Thieu of South Vietnam, Mr. Bora Laskin, Administrator of the Canadian Government; and;

President Ne Win and Prime Minister Sain Win of Burma.

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A historic meeting . . . Tun Abdul Razak and Chairman Mao Tse-tung.

A year of diplomatic milestones

By NOORDIN SOPIEE

NATIONAL DAY SPECIAL

WE had a late lunch in Shanghai on Saturday, June 1. Tun Razak had called together the 10 Malaysian pressmen who were there to cover his visit to China. He wanted to talk about his discussions with Chairman Mao Tse-tung, Premier Chou En-lai and other Chinese leaders.

The meeting started at 12.35. We were five minutes late. The Tun was relaxed, smiling, obviously satisfied with the warmth of his welcome in China and the content of the agreement amicably reached by both sides.

"Chairman Mao said he was happy about the agreement reached over Malaysian citizens of Chinese origin," the Tun started, after all the courtesies had been exchanged. Tun Razak went on: "He said they must owe loyalty to Malaysia.

"I explained to him our problem — integration of the various races. Chairman Mao said China's policy on overseas Chinese has always been that they must owe loyalty to the country of their adoption and that once they had adopted the citizenship of the country they automatically lose their citizenship of China.

"They no longer have anything to do with China. They may have relatives in China. But they are citizens of another country."

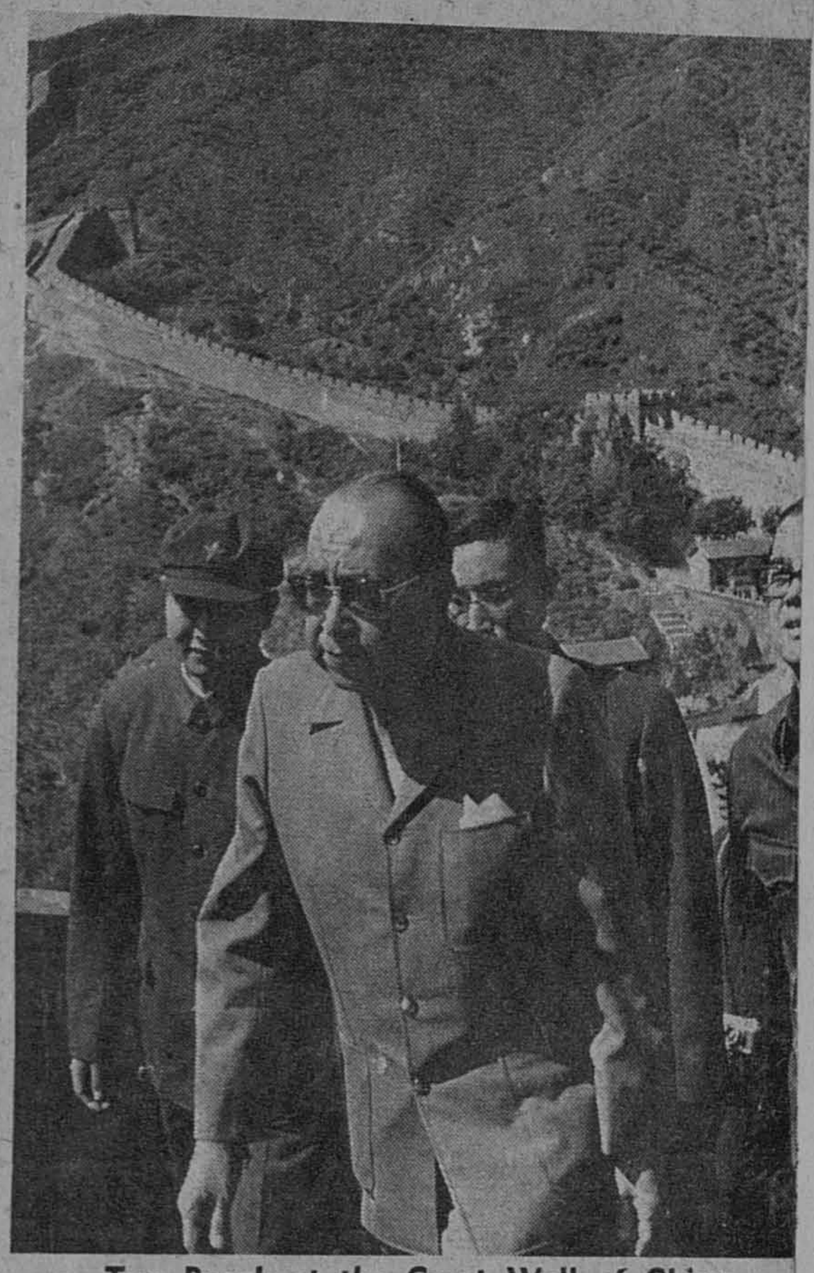
The Tun continued: "I brought up the question of the terrorists. The majority of Chinese in Malaysia, of course, are loyal to the country; but there is a small group of terrorists who are causing trouble in our country. The existence of this group might hinder the progress of diplomatic relations between Malaysia and China.

"Chairman Mao said 'No'. This is a matter for you. The terrorists are an internal matter for Malaysia and you can do what you like."

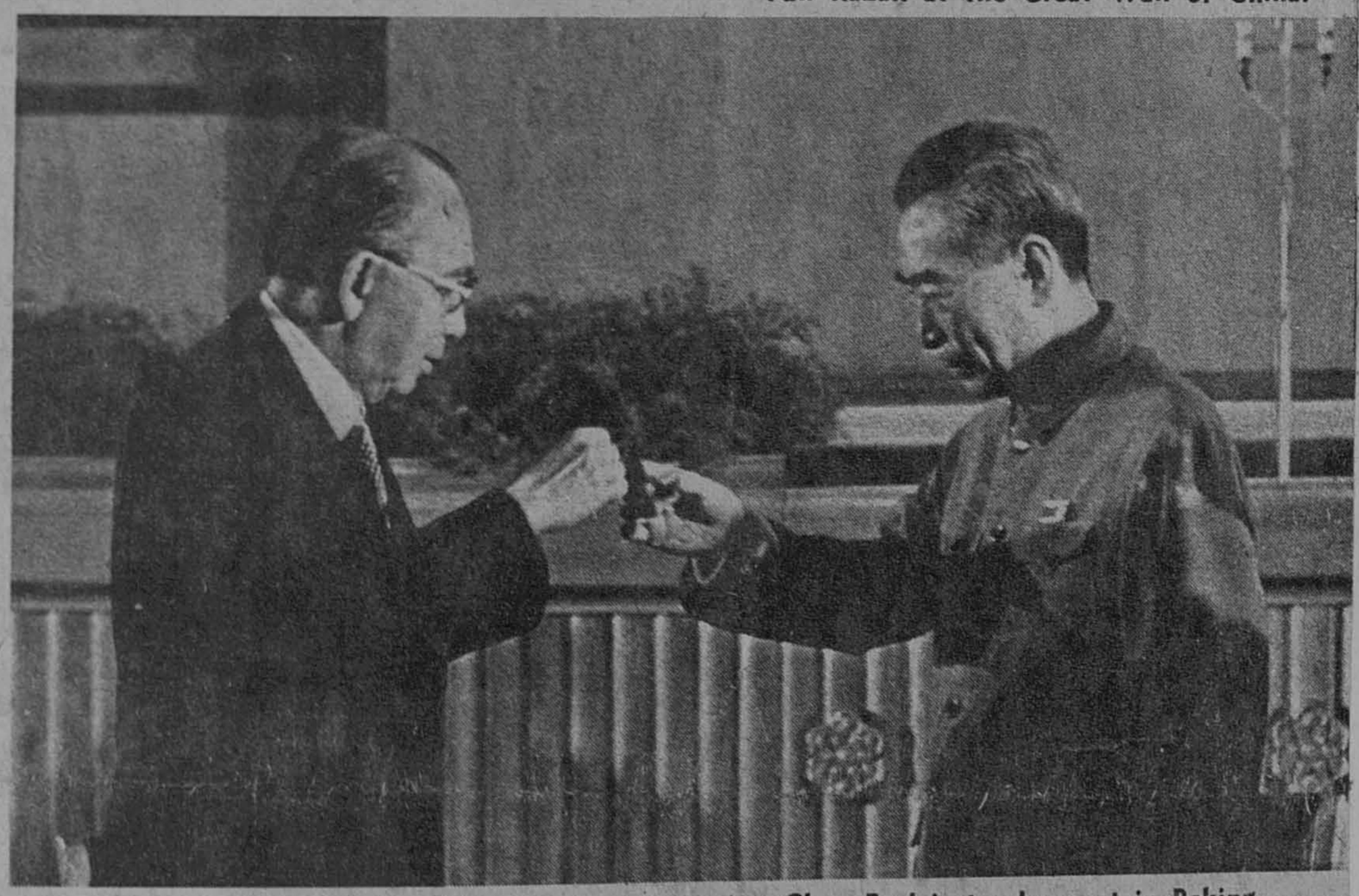
The casual observer may miss the importance of clause two of the joint communique formalising the establishment of diplomatic relations between Malaysia and China.

Impermissible

It is worth noting



Tun Razak at the Great Wall of China.



A toast to friendship — Tun Razak and Premier Chou En-lai at a banquet in Peking.

Tun Abdul Razak addressing the Islamic Ministers' Conference in Kuala Lumpur.

After you . . . Tun Razak with President Suharto in Penang.

On the move for better ties all round

Mr. and Mrs. Whitlam during their visit to Malaysia in February.

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has never been higher than it is today," said the Tun.

Malaysia's standing in the international community was in fact to rise further, and before the month's end.

In February, Tun Razak had led a 10-man Malaysian delegation to the historic Islamic Summit in Lahore. The Summit had decided that its next conference of Foreign Ministers be held in Malaysia's capital.

Three weeks after his return to Kuala Lumpur from China, the Tun was on the rostrum opening the Fifth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

The honour was Malaysia's. The opportunities belonged to the whole Muslim world.

There was the opportunity to rise from talk of economic co-operation to actual and active co-operation, to give substance to the Lahore Summit decision that an Islamic Solidarity Fund be established, to take the Islamic Development Bank further along the road to fulfilment, to discuss further the concept of a Foreign Exchange Fund on which a host of the poorer Muslim nations, hard hit by oil price rises, placed much faith.

Conference hopes

The hope of the Kuala Lumpur Conference was that what was reality would be strengthened, and strength consolidated; that upon the foundation of important intangibles on which progress had been made action could be mounted and concrete results produced.

By no stretch of the imagination can it be said that all the opportunities were grasped and the hopes fulfilled.

The fact does not detract, however, from the success of the conference (in terms of Malaysian interests) and Malaysia's diplomatic coup in bringing the Muslim world to Kuala Lumpur.

Welcome to Malaysia . . . Tun Razak greeting Premier Tanaka.

NATIONAL DAY SPECIAL

For a week, reports with a Kuala Lumpur dateline held the front pages of important newspapers in three dozen countries. Men who will have a say in how the financial power oil has generated will be used have seen for themselves the opportunities that Malaysia offers.

Malaysian diplomacy played an important part in steering the Islamic Conference away from the rocks which threatened serious trouble to the calmer waters which offered the promise of the Muslim world's constructive development.

Those who saw a mirage and expected a miracle were of course disappointed with the conference's unspectacular results. But they had no right and were foolish to expect the spectacular, and the unachievable.

A movement that is made up of 38 nations representing 700 million from seven regions and two continents, the Islamic Conference Organisation is the largest organisation next to the United Nations. Size has its potential benefits. It has the inevitable drawbacks.

Rational counsel

Agreement cannot be expected to be easy when there are 38 countries. It is more difficult when the 38 are at different stages of economic development — some poor and some rich — when they have different social systems, pursue different political ideologies and have to tackle different problems.

Despite the infancy of the Organisation—it is after all only five years old—and the diversity of its membership, it has become a force in international relations.

At the Fifth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers in Kuala Lumpur, rational counsel did prevail over a number of issues which could have been politically destructive to the organisation or harmful to the interests of some of its members—to no small extent because of Malaysia's diplomatic contribution.

Six States pledged $6 million for the development of the International Islamic News Agency and more than $40 million was promised for the Islamic Solidarity Fund aimed at uplifting the welfare of Muslims everywhere.

In his speech opening the Kuala Lumpur Islamic Conference, Tun Razak made clear that the Islamic Development Bank was "the single most important project for co-operation the Islamic World Community has so far initiated."

Two weeks ago, the agreement to establish the Bank was signed in Jeddah. It is starting with a paid-up capital of $2,160 million, no trifling sum.

The proceedings and the outcome of the conference made clear that the Islamic Community is emergent and developing, not yet consolidated and developed. Malaysia can take some pride that we played a significant role in its emergence — Tunku Abdul Rahman was the first Secretary-General of the Islamic Secretariat and have contributed significantly to its development.

China. The Islamic Conference. These were the sparkling events which outshone and eclipsed other advances in Malaysia's foreign policy—such as the progress made in Malaysia-Singapore relations.

Tun Razak's visit to our close neighbour in November last year was reminiscent in many ways of the visit Mr. Lee Kuan Yew made to Malaysia in March 1972.

There was no rigid and formal agenda, no Gordian Knot to sever, no tension to still. Its ending was not even accompanied by a joint communique.

Gordian knot

Specific agreement on particular issues did not emerge. None had been sought. The aim of the Tun's visit was to meet and exchange views to keep in touch to enhance the understanding which had steadily grown in recent years — after both States made the necessary adjustment in attitudes towards each other which was profitable to both.

The point was made by Malaysia's leader, and has since been accepted by all on both sides, that there was no need for histrionics when Malaysia and Singapore acted independently of each other.

Disagreement now and then between two sovereign States was natural, no reason to literally shout about. Problems had to be dealt with on a practical and realistic basis. Much would be lost if they were tossed about at the beck and call of emotion.

There can be no safer foundation, there should be no other foundation, for our relations. Many will regret it has taken such a long time in the coming.

There will be many too who will say that while the advance made in Singapore - Malaysia relations was nowhere as exciting as the achievements on China and Pan-Islamism, its practical significance exceeded both these successes.

Good relations between Malaysia and Singapore is certainly a step forward for regionalism and regional co-operation. The Tun-Lee quiet summit was in fact only one of a series of quiet meetings Tun Razak has had with the leaders of South-East East Asian countries in the last year, meetings used to build up rapport, to exchange views and informally consult each other.

Tun Razak had met President Suharto on May 5-6 1973 in Palembang, Sumatra. On May 3-4, 1974 (a year later almost to the day) the two met again in Penang.

In June last year, a quiet summit between General Ne Win and the Prime Minister in Burma. In April this year, another, also in Burma, was held. Six weeks later the two leaders met again in Kuala Lumpur and Kuantan.

The diplomacy of quiet summitry has produced quiet results achievements that do not proclaim themselves. But it has enhanced the intangibles: mutual trust at the highest level, mutual confidence in each other, goodwill and friendship.

These must underpin Malaysia's attempt, through the doctrine of regional neutrality and positive regional co-operation, to build a secure community and an environment of peace in South-East Asia. Dramatic but empty gestures can be no substitute for realistic and constant effort to build the edifice stone by stone.

Other highlights

There have been other highlights in Malaysia's diplomatic agenda of the past year: the Fourth Non-Aligned Summit Conference in Algiers in September, Dr. Goh Keng Swee's visit to Kuala Lumpur in December, the arrival of New Zealand Prime Minister Norman Kirk a few days later, Mr. Kakuei Tanaka's official visit a month afterwards, followed by Mr. Gough Whitlam's visit before January's end. There have been many milestones.

Milestones mark the journey but do not signify its end. The journey of a nation in international affairs is a voyage without end. Vital interests change and have to be protected and enhanced.

There can surely be little dissatisfaction with the progress that has been made in he last year. It has been a very full anti equally good 365 days.

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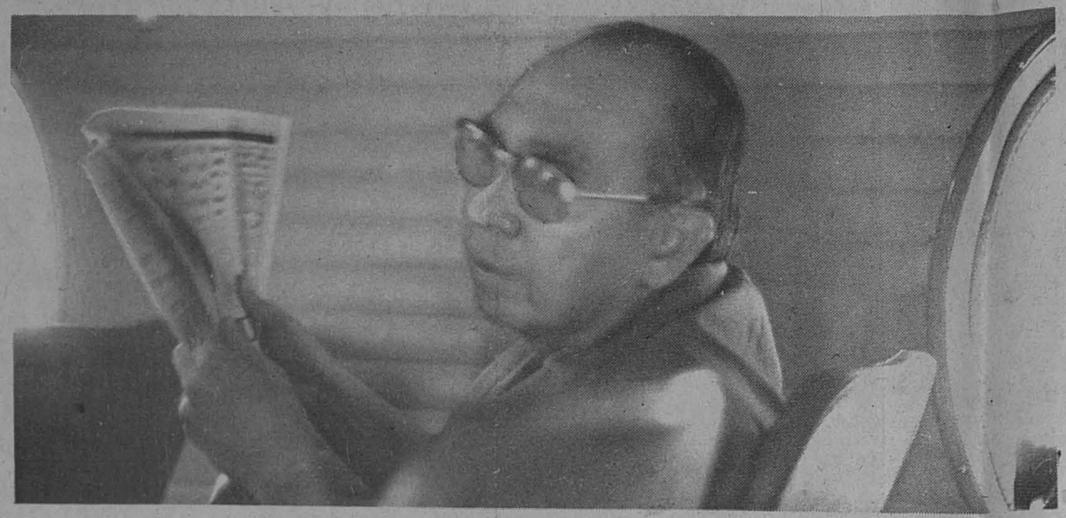
TO ALL BUT TWO OF THE 14 STATES TO WIN VOTES FOR THE NATIONAL FRONT



On the campaign trail

The Tun in Kuala Trengganu.

Just a little rest snatched here and there marked TUN RAZAK'S two-week whirlwind tour of the nation to win votes for the National Front. It left Sunday Times writer, TENGKU MOHAMED TAIB, who followed him on the east coast, breathless ..... and wondering how the 52-year-old leader was able to keep the pace.

THE eve of polling day at Tun Razak's country house in Peramu near Pekan. There was a lot of small talk while we waited for dinner to be served.

Tun Razak came around, apologised for the "inadequate" preparations. There was not enough time, he said, to give the Press boys a "proper" dinner.

That was something we understood very well. Time had been very short and precious for the Tun who had a mere fortnight to cover the whole country — except for Sabah — to drive home the point that there is no alternative to a National Front Government.

We, reporters from Bernama, Berita, Utusan, RTM and New Straits Times, could not help but notice his completely relaxed and jovial self.

That unmistakable mood was first noticed that Friday morning when he gave a televised Press conference to wind up the country-wide whirlwind electioneering.

He was then beaming and looked pleased indeed, radiating the thoughts of a man satisfied with a job well done.

Noticeable too was the absence of urgency which had lined the expression of Tun Razak during the height of the campaign that began after he filed his nomination papers at Pekan District Office.

Childhood

There were smiles and laughter that evening. Light hearted chatter filled the living room. And Tun Razak unconsciously reminisced about his childhood days when he walked to school with a single cent in his pocket for nasi dagang.

Reporters being a curious lot, there were many questions—is the old Malay school cikgu still living, where are the Malay College classmates, when did he take the first step into politics.

Tun remembered his days at Raffles, the dinner terms at Lincoln's, the first Malayan hockey team in London that he built.

I suspected he enjoyed every minute of it. Looking back to the scorching pace along the campaign trail, that Friday evening was geared at a snail's pace.

Even when it appeared that Tun Razak was completely off business, duty called. Just as everyone was about to enjoy the food, he excused himself to attend to work.

One only begins to appreciate Tun Razak's capacity to absorb the physical strain — let alone the mental exhaustion — after taking a look at his itinerary.

It started in Pahang's royal town on Nomination Day and ended there on Aug. 24 when he exercised his franchise.

In between there was the long drive up to Kuala Trengganu, the rush back to Kuala Lumpur to get ready for Kangar.

Along the way down from Perlis there were caucus at Alor Star, Sungei Patani, Penang, Butterworth, Parit Buntar, Taiping, Sungei Siput, Parit, Kampung Gajah, Ipoh, Teluk Anson Tapah and Tanjung Malim.

The strain of town hopping had a telling effect and during an evening rally in Taiping, there was a distinctive flaw in his voice, typical of one with a sore throat.

Even a younger man would have fared no better if he had tried to keep up the pace of Tun Razak.

In Penang, he met party workers and supporters in Bayan Lepas after a short rest on arrival from Kedah. That evening he was out at a rally in Datuk Keramat and the next morning he attended a party meeting in Butterworth before moving on to Perak.

I was told by an aide that the morning after in Taiping Tun Razak was out at the golf course, perhaps swinging away the fatigue that had accumulated.

On another occasion an aide said Tun took a nap while on the way from Temerloh to Kuala Lumpur.

After being on the road for a week anyone would have deserved a rest but it was only the half way mark for the Prime Minister.

He went down to Malacca and Port Dickson (and out of schedule) to Kuching. Then it was back to the east coast, this time all the way up to Kota Baru.

When it was all over we lost track of the mileage we charted. A colleague suggested it was in excess of 5,000 miles.

For Tun Razak it was not over. On arrival from Pekan in the late afternoon of Saturday, he got ready to stay up the night at a specially set up operations room in Sri Taman to await the incoming results.

Tired look

That took him into Sunday morning when he faced the nation in a televised Press conference.

He betrayed a slightly tired look but otherwise the Prime Minister was well composed to face the camera.

As Rural Development Minister, Tun Razak gained the reputation of being a man who could sustain the physical pressure of totting up the miles.

In the last fortnight I came face to face with the man himself and saw him in his element.

New Sunday Times, September 1, 1974

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A QUARTER CENTURY OF DEVOTED SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE

Message from the honourable Prime Minister, Tun Haji Abdul Razak bin Hussein.

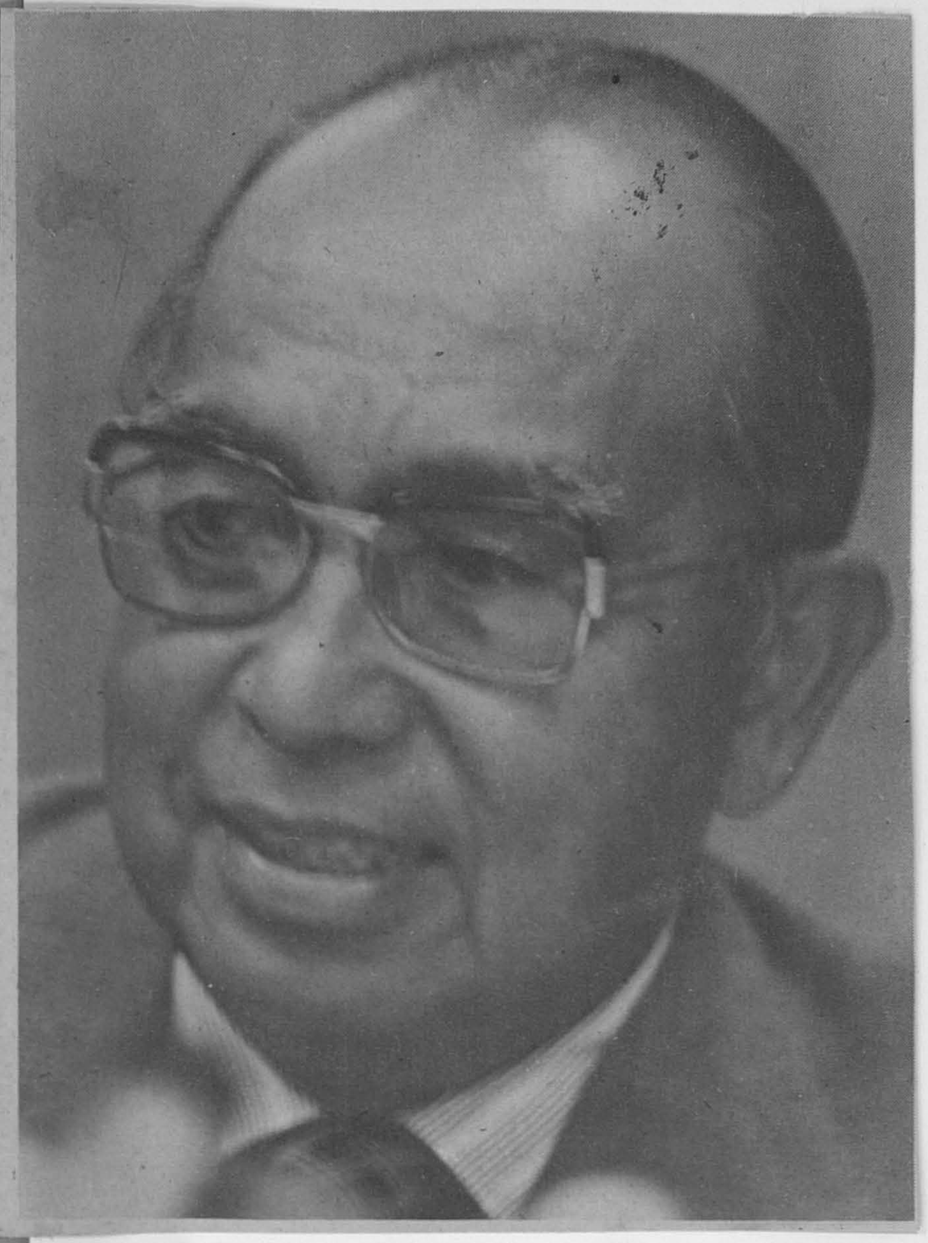
SAYA suka mengucapkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah kepada Lembaga Letrik Negara sempena perayaan menyambut ulangtahunnya yang ke 25 pada 1hb September ini.

Dalam masa suku abad itu, Lembaga Letrik Negara telah menempuh beberapa tingkatan perkembangan dalam sejarahnya, dari zaman kolonial kepada zaman kemerdekaan hinggalah kepada zaman pembangunan pesat pada masa ini. Dalam menempuh zamah itu, Lembaga Letrik Negara telah mencapai banyak kemajuan dalam kegiatannya.

Saya juga berasa bangga kerana Lembaga ini telah dikendalikan dengan cekap dan sempurna oleh pegawai-pegawai yang bukan saja berkebolehan dan berkelulusan tinggi, tetapi juga berjiwa pembangunan dan sentiasa sensitif terhadap kehendak-kehendak rakyat. Tidak syak lagi, Lembaga Letrik Negara sekarang ini merupakan sebuah pertubuhan yang kukuh yang akan terus memainkan peranan pentingnya untuk pembangunan negara.

Sempena perayaan Jubili Perak ini, saya berharap Lembaga Letrik Negara akan terus meningkatkan kegiatannya untuk mencapai matlamat-matlamat yang ditetapkannya.

Saya juga berseru kepada rakyat jelata dari semua lapisan baik di kota atau di desa supaya menggunakan kemudahan-kemudahan yang disediakan oleh Lembaga Letrik Negara dengan sebaik-baiknya bagi membaiki taraf hidup mereka sesuai dengan peredaran zaman.



NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1974

PTR KA 2027 274/78

Tun and Suharto for talks

JAKARTA, Tues. —President Suharto and Prime Minister Tun Razak will have informal talks in Jogjakarta, Central Java, on Saturday, official sources said tonight.

There was no immediate official information about the duration of Tun Razak's visit or the nature of his talks with President Suharto.

The president has also sent a congratulatory message to Tun Razak on the National Front's election victory.

British Prime Minister Mr. Harold Wilson, and India Foreign Minister Mr. Sardar Swaran Singh also sent their congratulations.

NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1974

PIR KA 2028 275/78.

MEETING THE NEW MPs

Tun Razak surrounded by women guests at a reception for National Front MPs in Sri Taman.

The reception, on Monday night, was to celebrate the National Front victory.

The two women MPs in the picture are Toh Puan Onn Zariah (Kuala Kangsar), fourth from left and Datin Fatimah Majid (Semerah), fifth from left.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1974

PTR KA 2029 276/78

Looking back to all the good old days

TAN Sri Syed Jaafar Albar, MP for Panti, recalling old times with Deputy Trade and Industry Minister, Datuk Musa Hitam, Tan Sri Sardon and Tun Abdul Razak at the Prime Minister's residence yesterday.

Tan Sri Sardon, who leaves for New York tonight to represent Malaysia at the United Nations, was given a farewell lunch at Sri Taman.

Tun Razak, Tan Sri Sardon and Tan Sri Albar were among the Umno leaders in the forefront of the struggle for Merdeka.

Datuk Musa and Deputy Finance Minister, Datuk Mohamed Rahmat, seen in the background, served as Tan Sri Sardon's political secretaries before they joined the Cabinet.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1974

PIR KA 2030 277/78.

VIP guest at Sri Taman

TUN ABDUL RAZAK with Saudi Arabian Deputy Minister of Wakaf and Pilgrimage Sheikh Ali Mokhtar at Sri Taman yesterday.

Sheikh Ali is on a one-week visit to Malaysia to discuss matters concerning pilgrims, and to foster closer relations between the Saudi Arabian and Malaysian Governments.

He presented a prayer mat and a book on sayings of the Prophet to the Prime Minister. — New Straits Times picture.

NEW STRAITS TIMES MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1974

PTR KA 2035 282/78.

Hussein and Rahah get top Sabah awards

TOH PUAN RAHAH
Awarded the SPDK

KOTA KINABALU, Sun. — Deputy Prime Minister, Datuk Hussein Onn, and the Prime Minister's wife, Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah, received the State's highest award, Sri Panglima Darjah Kinabalu (SPDK), from the Yang Di-pertua Negara, Tan Sri Mohamed Fuad, on his 54th birthday today.

The award carries the title of Datuk.

Four other people received the same award. They are Datuk Haji Mohamed Asri, Minister of Lands and Mines and Special Functions, Dato Hamzah Abu Samah, Minister of Trade and Industry, Tan Sri Ghazali Jawi, Mentri Besar, Perak and Dr. Michael Dickinson.

Forty-nine people received the Panglima Gemilang Darjah Kinabalu Second Class which also carries the title of Datuk.

Among them are two State Ministers: Encik Salleh Datuk Sulong (Local Government) and Encik Payar Juman (Co-ordination).

The award was also conferred on eight Assistant Ministers.

They are Assistant Minister to the Chief Minister, Senator Haji Dzulkifli Datuk Hamid, Assistant Minister for Industrial Development, Peter Mojuntin, Assistant Minister for Co-ordination, Herman Luping, Assistant Minister for Finance, Haji Fazil Wong, Assistant Minister for Social Welfare, Ismail Gimbad, Youth, Culture and Sports, Edwin Chan, Assistant Minister for Communications and Works, Haji Suffian Koroh and Assistant Minister for Local Government, Haji Tingkalor Lampang.

Thirty-two people received the Ahli Setia Darja Kinabalu, 70 the Ahli Darja Kinabalu, 77 the Bintang Setia Kinabalu and 86 the Bintang Kinabalu.

NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1974

PTR KA 2036 283/78.

Our wealth—and our rightful share

By TUN ABDUL RAZAK

Opening the conference on South-East Asia's natural resources and the world economy.

THE rising expectations of people everywhere for higher living standards have brought into sharp focus the importance of the world's natural resources.

The effects we are now experiencing of relative shortages in a variety of raw materials, agricultural commodities and mineral products only serve to emphasise not only the vital importance of these resources but also their planned and orderly development for the progress and happiness of mankind.

In these circumstances, the contributions to world economic development of the less developed countries with abundant natural resources can be substantial. Among such countries, Southeast Asia is in a specially good position to play a constructive role. In fact, we are in a unique position to do so, given the size and range of our natural resources and our strategic location.

Exports

It should be made clear, however, that the terms on which we will make our contributions will undergo substantial modification.

Our endowments have for centuries attracted the interest of the rest of the world and have resulted in most of us being merely producers of primary commodities and large export-oriented economies.

For the most part, however, our people have not shared adequately or equitably in the benefits derived from these relationships.

Therefore, the desire of our people to participate more fully in the opportunities of economic development made it necessary for the arrangements of the past to be modified; firstly, to reflect the unique contributions each of us can make to orderly development; and secondly, to reflect more equitably the responsibilities and rewards of our inter-dependent world economic system.

Conflict

We are moving from an age of relative resource scarcity. Scarcity, whether absolute or relative, breeds conflict. In the interest of equity and stability in the context of an expanding world economic, we must minimise all sources of conflict and maximise our potential for durable accommodation and co-operation.

Malaysia is prepared to play her part. We recognise that our own advancement is dependent on the markets, technology and products that the consuming countries of our natural resources have to offer.

At the same time, we expect that other countries will also recognise our legitimate national interest in controlling our own resources and in obtaining a fair share of the economic and social benefits from the development of these resources.

I must stress that we in Malaysia believe in economic nationalism in guiding the exploitation of our natural resources in such a way that our people and our country will obtain the greatest benefit.

We believe that private enterprise, whether domestic or foreign, has an important role to play in our development. Our objective is to bring about an effective and equitable mixture of domestic and foreign enterprise on the one hand, and private and public enterprise on the other, so that our national interest can be advanced to the context of an expanding, stable and equitable world economic order.

These very principles find expression in our national policy for the development of our infant but rapidly growing petroleum industry. With the oil and natural gas which have already been found, the extent of our energy resources within Malaysia's continental shelf is only just beginning to be fully known.

Projects

We are fully committed to the exploration and development of these resources so as to be able to satisfy our domestic needs as well as expand our exports. And we are fully committed to ensure that productivity is progressively increased so that our output is sold at competitive prices. At the same time, we want to ensure to Malaysians themselves benefit equitably from the development of these vital resources.

To this end, the Malaysian Government, through PETRONAS — the National Petroleum Corporation, will seek majority ownership and control of all petroleum projects and participate actively with the private sector, whether local or foreign, in these projects on a joint-venture basis.

Resources

It is no longer compatible with our national policy to allow foreign domination of this important industry. It is our national policy that we should exploit our own resources ourselves.

We therefore appreciate the readiness with which a number of multi-national oil companies have already entered into production-sharing agreements with us. I am confident that on such a basis, we will be able to explore and to develop this vitally important resource for the world in a mutually beneficial way.

The Malaysian Government, through Petronas, will also work to ensure that the downstream activities associated with energy production in the country will similarly be located in Malaysia itself, as far as it is economically feasible. The size and quality of our resources make such a course of action feasible in a number of cases. We therefore intend to develop these opportunities to the best of our ability.

We believe that this will not only be in the interest of our own socio-economic advancement but also insofar as it contributes to an international division of labour which is in line with our comparative advantages in production, it will also be in the interest of greater efficiency in the world economy as a whole. Here again, it is refreshing to see the interest shown by several multi- national companies in this approach. We welcome this development and agree to commit ourselves to constructive participation on a joint-venture basis.

The opportunities for fruitful collaboration are not only limited to the development of our energy resources. They also exist with Malaysia's other abundant natural resources — in rubber and wood-based products, in palm oil, as well as in livestock and fish products.

Many of these opportunities are already being constructively developed with the participation of foreign enterprise. The potential is significant for even greater development.

We have the resources, the people and a thriving domestic business sector. You from the developed industrialised countries have the technology and the capital goods. We could not ask for a better basis for constructive collaboration.

Economy

In Malaysia, we are in the process of implementing our New Economic Policy which aims to ensure that our economy will continue to expand — but with fair distribution of the benefits of this growth to all our people. In other words, we seek economic growth not for the sake of growth alone but as a means for greater employment, for higher living standards, and most importantly, for a fair stake for all in prosperity and the good life.

Our resources will be fully developed for this purpose. And in doing so, we shall also want to ensure that sufficient attention is paid to the requirements of efficient resource management so that the fruits of the earth, the fresh air and the water that we enjoy today can also be the inheritance of future generations.

I would suggest that investors bear these social objectives in mind in the planning and execution of their programmes and projects and especially in their negotiations with Government. It is becoming increasingly important that they should take a long-term view of things so that a mutually acceptable relationship between investors and the host country will ensure the accommodation of legitimate interests — theirs and ours.

With these considerations in mind, it may therefore be useful to consider the need for this conference to initiate the preparation of a concrete set of guidelines for businessmen in undertaking new ventures or expanding existing business activities not only in Malaysia but, if I may suggest, in this region as well.

Long-term

There must be a new order governing the relations between investors and the host countries. The crux of this new relationship, regardless of whether the investor is foreign or domestic, is that this investment must be mutually beneficial to both the entrepreneur and the host country. This is the only basis for a valuable, long-term and harmonious partnership in the development of this region.

The Southeast Asian region, as an integral part of the whole Pacific Basin, offers perhaps the best promise — certainly some of the best prospects — for economic growth in the decades ahead.

The basis for wider political stability is being progressively strengthened. The trend towards viable regionalism is gathering momentum as is evident in the activities of the Association of South-East Asian Nations — Asean — and other regional economic organisations.

The basis

I am confident that these efforts will go a long way towards supplementing our own national efforts in bringing about greater economic and social progress as well as political stability in the region.

The basis for harmony in South-East Asia's relationships with the industrial world is also favourable. Our relations have been generally satisfactory and in most cases have been of a relaxed nature. The extremes of economic exploitation have not been felt too strongly in this area.

We thus have an enduring basis not only for accelerated economic and social development in the region but also for constructive participation with the industrial world as equal partners in development. Your participation at this conference is testimony that you, too, share this underlying confidence and faith in the development of this region.

NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1974

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Briefing for Tun

TUN Abdul Razak listening to an explanation by the Public Services Department Director-General, Datuk Abdullah Salleh, at the National Action Council meeting yesterday.

At centre is Agriculture and Rural Development Minister Encik Abdul Ghafar Baba. At left is General Planning and Socio-Economic Research Minister Datuk Taib Mahmud.

The NAC meeting was briefed by the general manager of the Kedah State Economic Development Corporation, Encik Radzi Basir, on the activities of the organisation.

Several Ministers, Deputy Ministers and senior government officials also attended the briefing at the Prime Minister's Department.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1974

PTR KA 2038 285/78

Dinner at Istana Tetamu for CPU delegates

TUN RAZAK and members of the visiting Commonwealth Press Union delegation at a dinner the Prime Minister and Toh Puan Rahah hosted at Istana Tetamu last night.

From left are Sir William Barnetson, the Union's chairman, the treasurer, Mr. Glanville Benn, Lord Astor of Hever, the CPU president, and Tun Razak.

More than 250 guests including Cabinet Ministers, diplomats, senior Government officers and newspaper editors attended the reception.

Off today

In the delegation are leading Commonwealth countries' newspaper publishers and editors. Most of them are accompanied by their wives.

They are currently on a pre-conference tour of Malaysia. The conference in Hong Kong will begin with its inaugural session on Oct. 3.

The delegates leave by bus today to visit Malacca. They will visit Penang tomorrow and Saturday before leaving for Singapore on Sunday.

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THE president of the Commonwealth Press Union, Lord Astor, CPU chairman Sir William Barnetson, and a number of delegates to the CPU conference to be held in Hong Kong visited the New Straits Times yesterday.

Picture shows the delegates in the press room. From the left are Mr. K. B. Brown, chairman of the CPU's Ghana section and general manager of Ghana News Agency, Sir William Barnetson (back to camera), Mr. B. A. Williams, president of the Australian Newspapers Council and joint managing director of The Advertiser, Adelaide, and Lord Astor. In the foreground are New Straits Times managing director Encik Junus Sudin, and the Thomson Organisation's deputy managing director Mr. Eric Cheadle.

NEW STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1974

PTR KA 2040 287/78

Razak to Muslims: Follow the Quran's teachings

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon.—Tun Abdul Razak has said that Muslims in Malaysia should strictly adhere to the teachings of the Quran in order to achieve and maintain a high moral standard.

Morals, he added are the strongest foundation for the promotion of national unity.

He said solidarity is vital for reducing political conflict and enabling the Government to pursue its development activities.

Tun Razak said this in a message in a souvenir programme for the national and international Quran reading contests which will begin here on Wednesday.

He said the Government had laid a strong foundation for achieving a high moral standard by including the belief in God and the need for propriety as the principles of the Rukunegara.

Tours

He also said that moral decay might lead to the collapse of the nation. History had shown that mighty empires collapsed because of moral decay.

Tan Sri Syed Nasir Ismail, the contest organising committee chairman, said today international contestants would be taken on visits to several places of interest in the city and industrial estates in Petaling Jaya and Shah Alam.

The tours were aimed at providing better insight and understanding of this country, he said.

Fourteen countries with a total of 36 contestants have so far agreed to participate in the three-day contest.

They will stay at Shiraz Hotel while the national-level participants will stay at the Language Institute in Jalan Pantai Baru.

Tan Sri Nasir said the organisers were still waiting for a reply from Uganda which had shown a keen interest in the contest during the Islamic conference.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1974

PTR KA 2041 288/78

Dawee pays tribute to Tun on Front's success

BANGKOK, Tues.—Air Chief Marshal Tun Dawee Chullasapya, who has retired as Thai Armed Forces Chief of Staff praised Tun Razak today for bringing several opposition parties into the National Front Government.

Tun Dawee said Tun Razak's concept of a coalition Government had paid high dividends and though there was scepticism about the wisdom of such a coalition, the Front's landslide victory was ample proof that the people accepted the concept.

Tun Dawee was speaking to newsmen at a farewell press conference at his home.

His plans

Speaking of his plans for the future, he said he would spend some time writing a book entitled Me and Black September, an account of the Arab guerilla raid on the Israeli Embassy here in 1972.

Tun Dawee said Thailand and Malaysia are good friends. "Thailand has a good neighbour in Malaysia," he said.

He was confident that their friendly relations would be further strengthened.

Tun Dawee said he had made many good friends with leaders in Malaysia, like Tun Razak. He was optimistic of Malaysia's progress and prosperity, especially the political stability in the country.

Asked if he would be entering politics, Tun Dawee said: "I need to consider the matter very carefully. Right now I want to take a much needed rest."—Bernama.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1974

PSR KA 2042 289/78.

Tun at Quran contest

Tun Razak and Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah at Merdeka Stadium last night. With them are Tan Sri Syed Nasir Ismail, and his wife Puan Sri Sharifah Aishah.

30 entries for Quran-reading contest

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was more possible with the existing climate of Muslim unity in the country.

The Prime Minister said this year's competition would be more interesting because there were more participants than in the previous year.

Last year's champions, Haji Affandi bin Haji Siraj and Hajjah Rogayah binti Sulong and former national and international champion, Haji Ismail Hashim, are among 30 entries for the competition.

The full list of participants: Encik Ibrahim bin Taib and Hajjah Nik Wan Maleh Ismail (Trengganu), Encik Abdul Wahid bin Kitam and Rosiah binti Hussein (Federal Territory); Haji Sanusi bin Haji Awang and Cik Saerah Abdul Wahid (Selangor).

Encik Materang bin Soruji and Cik Balkis Soraji (Sarawak); Haji Abdul Ghafar bin Rijim and Cik Kuriah b[illegible]

'SPIRITUAL STRENGTH WILL ENSURE PROGRESS'

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed.—Tun Abdul Razak spoke tonight of the importance of spiritual and moral development as a safeguard for the country's progress and prosperity.

The Prime Minister, who was opening the National Quran-reading competition here, quoted examples from history where Muslim governments fell due to the peoples' moral decline.

He said: "If we study the reasons for the fall of Muslim governments, we will find that leaders then were living in luxury and had forgotten their responsibility to the people, religion and country.

"Generals fought one another and backed only those who could protect their personal interests.

"The people were divided in rival factions and lived amidst chaotic conditions. The administrative policies had deviated from the teachings of the Quran.

Moral decline

"They committed sins of all kinds, and this led to moral decline, the fall of governments and the downfall of Muslims."

Tun Razak said Muslims have risen again and Malaysia, as an independent Muslim nation, was building a strong and united society together with the others.

Development, he added, must not be concentrated on material aspects alone. There must also be spiritual and moral development.

"Neglect of spiritual values would make us repeat the history of the downfall of Muslim governments."

Tun Razak quoting from the Quran, said God had warned that He would destroy those who rebelled against Him after achieving prosperity.

Tun Razak also urged Muslim intellectuals to help the Government instil spiritual and moral values among the people.

"This is no longer the time for talk, but for action and work. We know from the past that too much talk and theory do not help to achieve anything," he said.

He was confident that efforts to spread the teachings of the Quran could be improved. This

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NEW STRAITS TIMES MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1974

PTR KA 2043 290/78.

Free trip for Quran champ

HAJI Ismail bin Haji Hashim, champion of the men's section of the national Quran-reading competition, receiving an air ticket from Tun Razak at the Language Institute in Kuala Lumpur last night.

The ticket was donated by the Saudi Arabian Government for Haji Ismail to visit Saudi Arabia.

Hajjah Rugayah binti Sulong, winner of the women's section, received a similar ticket.

Tun Razak also gave away prizes to 22 other participants of the competition. — **New Straits Times picture.**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1974

PTR 2044 291/78.

Tun on need for moral strength

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon.—Tun Abdul Razak told Muslims tonight that their future might depend on their moral character.

The moral standing of a person could be used to determine his suitability for a scholarship, a job, a promotion in the Government, or a teaching post, he said.

The Prime Minister was speaking at the closing and prize-giving ceremony of the international Quran reading competition at the Stadium Merdeka.

The Yang Dipertuan Agung gave away the prizes to winners of the international contest as well as the national, which ended on Thursday.

Tun Razak said it was no easy task to instil morality in every individual.

There was a need to strengthen religious education, and steps had to be taken to encourage the people develop their moral character.

"If we do this, I'm confident there will be no moral decline among Muslims in this country, particularly the well-educated who play an important role in the nation's development," he added.

The Prime Minister stressed that moral decline was the main cause of the downfall of Muslim nations in days gone by.

All the people in these countries had deviated from the teachings of the Quran.

He said Malaysia's tradition of having Quran-reading contests during Ramadhan was "a good tradition in fostering brotherhood and strengthening relations among Muslims of participating nations."

High standard

This year, all programmes of the competition were directly telecast to several countries through the earth satellite in Kuantan.

He said: "With this, we have been able to use science and technology to spread the spirit and teachings of the Holy Quran."

Tun Razak said the high standard of judging each year had raised the reading standards of the participants. He thanked the countries which had sent experts to judge the competitions.

The chairman of the central organising committee, Tan Sri Syed Nasir Ismail, said Malaysia was ever ready to contribute towards solidarity of the Muslim world.

The winner in the women's section, Puan Hajjah Rugayah, had also been given the alternative to visit Egypt.

NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1974

PTR KA 2045 292/78.

$10,000 to help fire victims

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. — Tun Abdul Razak has directed that the National Disaster Relief Fund grant $10,000 for the victims of the fire in Pekan yesterday.

A statement from the Prime Minister's Department said a cheque for the amount would be sent to Pahang Mentri Besar Datuk Haji Mohamed Jusof, to be handed over to the Pekan District Relief Committee.

In Kuantan State Welfare Officer Mr. Cheng An Chai said that seven families made homeless by the fire had been given $480, as immediate aid. — Bernama.

NEW STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1974

PER KA 2046 293/78.

A party for 400 children at Sri Taman

TUN Abdul Razak and Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah gave a Hari Raya party at Sri Taman on Thursday for 400 children. The picture at right shows Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah and her youngest son, Nazir, with Wan Norhisham Mokhtar, 12, from the Petaling Jaya Spastics Home. The hosts mingled with their young guests, who were given cash gifts before they left.

ANGLICAN Bishop of West Malaysia, Rev. John Savarimuthu, says Selamat Hari Raya at Sri Taman with a jasmine garland.

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Sempena peristiwa yang penting ini saya juga mengucapkan tahniah kepada Lembaga Pengarah Bank Rakyat dan ahli-ahlinya atas Perayaan Ulangtahun ke 20 hari ini. Saya turut berasa megah atas kemajuan yang telah dicapai oleh Bank Rakyat selama 20 tahun ini berkat pimpinan yang dinamis dan penuh dedikasi dari segenap lapisan pegawai dan pekerja Bank Rakyat yang mana akan membawanya terus meningkat maju setaraf dengan mana-mana bank perdagangan di Malaysia ini.

Seperti dimaklum Bank Rakyat dulunya dikenali dengan nama Bank Kerjasama, merupakan institusi kewangan yang ulung dimiliki dan di kendalikan oleh kaum Bumiputra. Usaha-usaha Bank Rakyat membiayai projek besar dan kecil membuktikan kemampuannya menghadapi cabaran masa kini dan mencerminkan keazamannya menolong ahli-ahlinya menyertai lapangan perusahaan dan perdagangan. Kejayaan ini diharapkan menjadi contoh yang baik bagi membolehkan lebih ramai kaum Bumiputra menceburkan diri dalam lapangan perdagangan dan perusahaan.

Begitu juga dengan langkah Bank Rakyat memberi pinjaman dan penyertaan langsung dalam firma-firma perindasterian bersesuaian dengan Dasar Ekonomi Baru. Sebagai jangkapanjang ini akan menambahkan lagi penyertaan Bumiputra dalam bidang perindasterian dan membantu usaha penyusunan semula masyarakat menghapuskan pengenalan kaum mengikut aktiviti ekonomi masing-masing.

Hari ini Bank Rakyat memiliki kilang mengeluarkan baja kimia dan racun serangga di Kuala Kedah dan juga membiayai dua buah kilang padi di Pasir Hor dan Kadok, Kelantan dan juga sebuah lagi di Melaka. Ini adalah sejajar dengan dasar Kerajaan menggalakkan pertumbuhan industri berasaskan pertanian dan dibina diluar bandar untuk memberi peluang pekerjaan kepada penduduk desa.

Melalui anak syarikatnya iaitu Rakyat Corporation Sendirian Berhad, Bank Rakyat sedang giat menjalankan projek perumahan dan komplek perniagaan di Alor Star dan Sungai Petani (Kedah), Jalan Raja Abdullah dan projek Angkasa Raya (Kuala Lumpur) disamping Kuantan dan Kota Bharu. Ini amatlah baik dan berfaedah kerana disamping mendapat keuntungan, projek-projek ini akan dapat menyediakan kemudahan perumahan dan tempat perniagaan yang merupakan infrastructure penting bagi memperkembangkan bidang perindasterian serta memodenkan masyarakat.

Lebih-lebih lagi usaha dan kejayaan Bank Rakyat menggerakkan simpanan penduduk desa patut diberi pujian. Bank Rakyat bukan sahaja berjaya mengubah fakar tradisional masyarakat desa kepada cara yang lebih productif tetapi juga berjaya menanamkan semangat menyimpan serta melaburkan wang secara modern.

Tidak syak lagi manakala siap Bangunan Ibu Pejabat baru Bank Rakyat dihadapan bangunan Bank Negara pada tahun 1976 kelak, ini merupakan kemuncak kejayaan Bank Rakyat dan akan menjadi lambang kemajuan Bank ini.

Saya berdoa semoga Bank Rakyat terus maju kehadapan untuk berkhidmat kepada rakyat.

(TUN HAJI ABDUL RAZAK BIN HUSSEIN)

Kuala Lumpur.

NEW STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1974

PTR 2048 295/78.

YAB Tun Abdul Razak at the opening of Bank Rakyat's branch in Temerloh.

NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1974

PTR 2049 296/78.

Razak to Asean: Let's be realistic

By LIM THOW BOON: Kuala Lumpur, Tuesday

TUN ABDUL RAZAK said today that Asean countries must be guided by a sense of the practical and the realistic at all times.

"We should identify specific projects — even if limited in character — which have prospects of success," said the Prime Minister. "Only in this way, by building on success, can we create the momentum for a wider field of co-operation and achievement".

Tun Razak said this when he opened a joint meeting of the Asean standing committee, its secretaries-general and chairmen of permanent committees.

The ambassadors of Thailand, Indonesia, Singapore and the Philippines — all members of the standing committee — are among the 60 participants at the three-day meeting.

Tun Razak called on the meeting to analyse the present state of Asean as frankly and objectively as possible — "even, I would say, in a most critical but always constructive spirit."

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He said: "We must not be lulled into a false sense of euphoria by mere forms of words. We must not allow ourselves to become self-satisfied.

"Like the little boy who pointed out that the emperor had no clothes, we must have the courage to point to our own shortcomings — and to work out effective remedies."

Tun Razak said Asean had created among its members a genuine and growing habit of thinking and working together in regional terms.

The meeting of officials and the annual Asean Ministers' confer-

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ence had brought member countries closer together, creating a climate of goodwill and understanding and fostering the evolution of regional solidarity.

However, Tun Razak said, there was a need for a serious examination of the effectiveness of Asean and how to maximise these benefits at the least cost.

He renewed his call to member nations to take immediate "co-operative action" to minimise the effects of inflation and the shortage of food, energy and materials needed for development.

Asean must be more cohesive and purposeful to withstand the strains and stresses generated by an unstable world economic order.

"We are living in times of world economic crises and unstable monetary conditions which, if not remedied in time, could wreck havoc on the economies of our countries and the social well-being of our peoples," he added.

Tun Razak said Asean nations should also co-operate closely in selling their products in world markets to ensure fair prices.

Joint effort

"Asean countries by co-operating together will demonstrate their strength and their unity which will certainly have an international impact," he added.

Minister of Information and Special Functions for Foreign Affairs, Tengku Ahmad Rithauddeen, said the establishment of the Asean secretariat would go a long way towards strengthening the organisation.

"But," he added, "this is only possible if the secretariat itself is action-oriented and capable of functioning smoothly and efficiently."

Tengku Ahmad, who is chairman of the Asean standing committee, said Asean had steadily and quitely gained strength and stature and had become a significant regional organisation.

There was now a greater awareness both among Government agencies and private groupings of the usefulness of Asean as a vehicle for exchanging ideas and pursuing objectives which would bring mutual benefit, he added.

Tun Razak opening the Asean meeting in the Golden Khersonese Hall of the Kuala Lumpur Regent yesterday.

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Razak meets Tin Council delegates

TUN Abdul Razak meeting participants of the 15th session of the International Tin Council at Hotel Equatorial in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

On the right is the ITC executive chairman, Mr. H.W. Allen.

Tun Razak later entertained the delegates, from 29 member countries, to dinner.

The conference is the first ITC meeting in Malaysia. Previous sessions were mainly held in London, and once in two years in a member country.

The five-day ITC session will be followed by the 4th World Conference on Tin,

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Razak to parents: Help shape young minds

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak has urged parents to consider seriously the future of their children.

Parents must play a positive role at home in providing proper guidance to their children, he said in a Children's Day message.

Children's Day this year will be celebrated on Saturday. About 12,000 children will take part in a rally at Stadium Negara. It will be opened by the Yang Dipertuan Agung.

Tun Razak said that parents should set examples that their children can follow them in later years.

Goodwill, mutual understanding, loyalty and love for the nation should be instilled in children.

Govt's efforts

This will be the basis of the nation's future harmony, peace and prosperity, he added.

Tun Razak said the Government has spared no effort to ensure that every child has equal opportunities in education.

The Government has provided free education at primary level, a textbook aid scheme, health and food aid.

He said the theme of the Children's Day this year — "A Future for Every Child" — was very appropriate.

At the rally on Saturday, the King will confer the Pingat Hang Tuah on the Child Hero for 1974, Mohamed Asri bin Salleh, 12, of Sekolah Kebangsaan, Kuala Brang, Trengganu.

Tun's gifts

Mohamed Asri, a Standard Six pupil, saved the life of three-year-old Syed Ali bin Tuan Syed, from drowning in the Sungei Kuala Brang on Feb. 19, 1973.

He will receive a gold medal and $450.

Celebrations throughout the country will include parties, sports, baby shows, film shows. A visit to Zoo Negara will be made by about 5,000 children in Kuala Lumpur.

Tun Razak's wife, Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah, will visit the children's ward of the General Hospital to distribute gift parcels.

Children at the Sungei Buloh Hospital near here will be entertained to a tea party.

NEW STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1974

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DOOR IS OPEN, INVESTORS TOLD

It'll pay to help us progress, says Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Malaysia welcomes foreign capital and expertise to help her in economic development, and allows investors a fair return, Tun Abdul Razak said tonight.

"Our door is open for them to assist us in our economic progress, while allowing them to receive a fair return for their labour and contribution," the Prime Minister said.

This, he said, was the country's stated policy and "will remain so for some time until our policy objectives are fulfilled."

He was launching Pertanian Baring Sanwa Multinational Berhad (PBSM) — a merchant bank — at the Hilton Hotel here.

For crops

The Prime Minister said that in taking every possible precaution to see the country through the world economic crisis, the Government would give more attention to the agricultural sector, particularly the promotion of agro-based industries.

"We need a more rapid development of the agricultural sector and the Government, with its agencies, is well-prepared for the task ahead," he added.

TUN RAZAK
'... policy will continue'

Fortunately, Malaysia had established an excellent framework on agricultural infrastructure.

Tun Razak hoped the setting up of agencies and research institutions like the Farmers' Organisation Authority, Mardi, Majuikan and Majuternak would bring about rapid progress of the sector.

He told the PBSM, which specialises in the agricultural sector, to help in its development and modernisation.

It could introduce faster decision-making and new capital, while ensuring the future of the nation's agricultural economy.

The PBSM is a joint-venture of four partners in which Bank Pertanian (the Agricultural Bank) holds the majority share.

The foreign partners are Baring Brothers, reputed to be the oldest merchant bank in London, Sanwa, one of the five largest banks in Japan, and London Multinational, which though young, has already made a favourable impact in the financial world.

Tun Razak was confident the PBSM would have an excellent future, and he hoped the PBSM would not rest on the laurels of its partners.

"While the foreign partners are well-known in their respective domains, it is my wish that in good time they, too, will become well-known in Malaysia," he said.

Eighth bank

The Prime Minister said the formation of the merchant bank — the country's eighth — represented another response to the Government's call to make Kuala Lumpur a centre of finance.

Among the eight, the PBSM has the biggest local equity.

For Bank Pertanian, Tun Razak said, the formation of PBSM was a step forward in establishing itself as a major financial institution in Malaysia.

"I'm confident that with its intimate knowledge of the agricultural sector, and with the experience and expertise of the foreign partners, PBSM will be able to perform its functions properly and efficiently," he said.

TOH PUAN Hajjah Rahah surrounded by Umno Wanita members and National Front supporters at a tea party at Sri Taman yesterday ... the guests — 40 from Muar and about 400 from Ulu Langat — had called to wish Tun Razak and his wife Selamat Hari Raya.

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Grow more food—Tun

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Prepare for rainy day

Quote

"IN OUR Malaysian society marriage should be regarded as a sacred institution and we should not treat separation and divorce frivolously. We can only build a disciplined and responsible society from happy and contented homes and it is my hope that in our efforts to build such a society, this phenomenon of broken families and broken marriages will eventually be checked for our own good and the good of the nation."

—Tun Abdul Razak

By RUHANIE AHMAD: Kuala Lumpur, Sunday

TUN ABDUL RAZAK urged the people today to double food production to enable the country to face the world economic slump and inflation.

"Malaysia is likely to experience a strained economic situation in the next few years. So be prepared for a rainy day," he said.

He had directed State Governments and Government departments to give priority to food production programmes, including livestock industry and fruit growing.

The Prime Minister was addressing more than 1,000 women at the Women's Day celebration and the official opening of the National Council of Women's Organisations at the Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka here.

The nation, he added, could not depend entirely on industrial progress.

Malaysian women could play a more important role in the campaign to grow more food so that inflation would not be greatly felt.

He said: "Malaysia hopes to attain self-sufficiency in rice and produce at least 80 per cent of other food requirements such as meat and fruit within the next few years.

"Steps are also being taken to increase the use of Malaysia's primary produce like rubber, tin and timber in local housing and in the manufacture of essential goods."

Self-sufficiency

Tun Razak called on women to use "Made in Malaysia" goods. "They are as good as the imported ones," he said.

He said: "Women, especially intellectuals should also play a more active role in helping the Government raise the social and economic standards of the people."

They should emulate the example of the women in Kelantan and Trengganu by working hard and spending wisely.

However, they should not neglect their children's education. "Prosperity will not mean anything if parents neglect their responsibilities towards their children," he said.

"Negligence may lead to moral decadence and other bad habits."

The Prime Minister also spoke of the people's confidence in women. This was *shown in the number of women elected to Parliament and State Assemblies in the recent general elections.*

He said the number of women in the Dewan Negara and various Government boards would also be increased.

He regretted that the Government was unable to increase the number of women in the Cabinet. "We will consider this in the future," he said.

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ALL SMILES as Tun Razak pins the Tun Fatimah Awards on Tunku Puan Besar Khursiah (left) and on Tun Sharifah Rodziah.

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Tax and working women: Fatimah's plea to Govt

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On matters relating to the women's struggle for equal rights, Tun Razak said he was proud of the success achieved so far.

He added that laws on marriage and divorce for non-Muslims were being reviewed by a special committee and hoped it would be implemented soon.

Matters relating to divorce and marriage for Muslims were also being studied.

He said: "In our Malaysian society, marriage should be regarded as a sacred institution and we should not treat separation and divorce frivolously.

'Happy homes'

"We can only build a disciplined and responsible society from happy and contented homes and it is my hope that in our efforts to build such a society, this phenomenon of broken families and broken marriages will eventually be checked for our own good and the good of the nation."

Tun Razak then presented the "Pingat Tun Fatimah" to six women for outstanding services to the country.

Also present at today's ceremony were Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn and Datin Suhaila, Attorney-General and Law Minister Tan Sri Abdul Kadir Yusof and Welfare Services Minister, Puan Hajjah Aishah Ghani.

Earlier, the president of the NCWO, Tan Sri Fatimah Hashim, urged the Government to introduce separate income tax assessment for married working women.

A golden honour for six with golden service

KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. — Six women, with "golden hearts" and service records to match, were the first recipients of the Tun Fatimah award at a special Women's Day ceremony held today.

They are Tunku Puan Besar Khursiah Ibni Almarhum Tunku Besar Burhanuddin, Tun Sharifah Rodziah binti Syed Ali Barakhbah, Hajjah Zainun binti Mushi Sulaiman, popularly known as Ibu Zain, Mrs. E.M. Ramachandran, lawyer Mrs. B.H. Oon and Mrs. Goh Kwee Teng.

Long service

Tun Abdul Razak presented the gold medals to them, on behalf of the National Council of Women's Organisations, before more than a thousand people at the Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka here.

They were chosen to receive the awards because of their long service to society and to the nation.

Tun Fatimah is a legendary heroine who lived during the reign of Sultan Mahmud Shah in Malacca in the 15th century.

She was the beautiful daughter of Bendahara Seri Maharaja of Malac-

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The six who put service before self

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ca and was Sultan Mahmud's wife.

According to the council, the Tun Fatimah awards will only be presented to deserving women from time to time, and not annually.

Tunku Puan Besar Khursiah, 63, the wife of the first Yang Dipertuan Agung, is a member of the Negri Sembilan royal house and has been a keen social worker for years.

She has taken an active part in fighting for recognition of women's rights especially for equal opportunities in education.

Tunku Puan Besar Khursiah founded Negri Sembilan's Women's Institute in 1954 and was the president of the State's Girl Guides movement.

As the first Raja Permaisuri Agung, she stepped up her social work. She is now the president of the Muslim Women's Welfare Organisation of Malaysia.

Tun Sharifah Rodziah, the wife of the first Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, has contributed much to the welfare and education of children and has played an active role in many other social organisations.

The oldest

In recognition of her service to the nation, she was awarded the Pingat SMN by the Yang Dipertuan Agung in 1970.

She is also the first woman to receive the award that carries the title "Tun".

Ibu Zain, at 71, is the oldest recipient of the award.

She set up her own school in Pasoh Jaya Waras in Negri Sembilan before becoming a teacher at a government school in Muar.

Her continuing interest in education resulted in the founding of the Johore Malay and Religious School Teachers' Organisation. She was the first president of the organisation.

Her interest in politics began in 1945 when she was invited by the late Datuk Onn Jaafar to unite women movements in Johore Baru. This resulted in the establishment of the Pergerakan Kaum Ibu Semenanjong.

She was elected to the Johore State Assembly in 1948, was made leader of the Kaum Ibu Malaya in 1950, and became a Member of Parliament in 1959.

Mrs. Oon became the first Malaysian woman to obtain a law degree from University College London in 1926. Prior to that she had a keen interest in education and had been a teacher at 16 years of age.

From 1948 to 1955, she was in the Federal Legislative Council representing professional bodies. She has also been an active social worker.

Mrs. Goh has been a social worker in Kuala Lumpur since young and has been a committee member of several organisations, such as the Pan Pacific South-East Asian Women's Association, the NCWO, the Assembly of God's Church and the Ikebana Kuala Lumpur Chapter.

She was a founder member of many organisations including the Selangor Consumers' Association and the NCWO and was an active member of the YWCA.

Mrs. Ramachandran who was born in Singapore in 1914, began volunteer work at 14.

She has been a committee member of several organisations, such as the Pure Life Orphanage, the Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society, the Selangor Indian Association and the St. John's Ambulance.

In recognition of her service, she was awarded the Pingat AMN by the Yang Dipertuan Agung and was made a Member of the British Empire by Britain.

Another two recipients — Mrs Ramachandran and Mrs Oon.

Mrs. Goh (left) and Ibu Zain receiving their awards.

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NEW STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1974

The first meeting of the National Unity Board in the Cabinet Room yesterday.

Wanted: New ideas to promote unity

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon.—Tun Abdul Razak launched the National Unity Board today with a hope that members would come up with new ideas to unite the people.

"I hope the board will be able to discuss problems of unity frankly and objectively to bring forth new ideas.

"In this way, we can carry out the necessary steps to wipe out communal sentiments as well as avoid conflicts and confrontations between one community and another," the Prime Minister said.

Tun Razak said the May 13 tragedy, which was still vivid in the minds of the people, had driven home the necessity to strengthen unity and goodwill among the people.

The nation had to ensure that such an undesirable incident would never recur, and to build a united Malaysian society in which the people would identify themselves only as citizens of the country and not individual communities.

The 16-member board, comprising people from the various professions, is headed by former National Unity Minister Tun V.T. Sambanthan, the executive chairman.

Other members

Its secretary is Syed Zainal Abidin bin S.A.M. Jamalullail.

Other members are: Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Abdul Kadir bin Shamsuddin; Public Services Commission chairman Tan Sri Sheikh Abdullah, New Straits Times Managing Editor Encik Samad Ismail; Prof. K.J. Ratnam; Prof. Teoh Jin Inn and lecturer Mr. J.J. Augustine; lawyers Mr. James Puthucheary, Mr. Wong Mook Leong, Encik Zain Azahari bin Dato' Zainal Abidin and Mr. Lawrence H.C. Huang; Encik Osman Abadi, Deputy-Editor-in-Chief of the Utusan Melayu; and Dato' Temenggong Banard Montegerai anak Jugong of Sarawak.

The Sabah representative has yet to be named.

The only woman representative on the board is Puan Adibah Amin, a New Straits Times writer.

Tun Razak said the board's task was important for the nation's peace, security and progress.

The transformation of the National Unity Ministry into a board did not mean that the Gov-

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The new Unity Board's plans for a book on customs...

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ernment considered efforts for unity less important now.

Rather, it was felt that a board with members who were not active in politics would carry out the task more effectively.

"We all know that communal sentiments are still political material, as shown in the last election," he said.

"Therefore, it is fitting that efforts for unity are divorced from politics."

The Prime Minister said the National Unity Ministry had done much in the past two and a half years. However, efforts to unite people of different ethnic groups took time, and it was important that they should be undertaken in stages.

Common aim

"We still find that our society is in compartments," he said. "This must be overcome."

Tun Sambanthan said differences in Malaysian society were not beyond solution.

The board, he said, would soon embark on a community relations programme "which we hope will provide the responses sufficiently attractive to draw the various ethnic communities to work closer together towards common objectives at the community level."

Tun Sambanthan said a book on the customs and habits of Malaysians would soon be available to the people. Journals and other publications would also be produced.

He said the board would now concentrate more on areas of inter-ethnic relations in the country. It would work closely with other Government agencies and the universities.

Hari Raya garland for special guest

GUEST of honour Tun Sharifah Rodziah being garlanded by the chairman of the Penang Women's Service League, Hajjah Zakiah Hanum Ariff at a Hari Raya party yesterday.

Prayer mats were presented to three other guests of honour who will be leaving for Mecca next month.

They are Tunku Utama Mahadi, Ustazah Salmah Sheikh Hussain and Puan Raihan Hanoum.

Tun Sharifah Rodziah was one of six women who received the Pingat Tun Fatimah from Tun Abdul Razak last week for outstanding service to the nation.

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NEW STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1974

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MTUC men to meet Tun Razak for talks

KUALA LUMPUR, Friday.

AN MTUC delegation is to meet Tun Abdul Razak to discuss certain labour problems.

The meeting is being arranged by the Labour Ministry at the request of the MTUC, whose officials met Labour Minister Datuk Lee San Choon in his office yesterday.

MTUC acting president, Mr. T. Narendran said today Datuk Lee had agreed to arrange a date for the meeting with the Prime Minister so that certain long-outstanding labour problems may be ironed out.

Mr. Narendran, who led the 11-man team at yesterday's meeting, added that Datuk Lee also gave assurances to other issues raised.

"We were told that the Government has taken a decision to increase EPF contributions. The details are now being worked out and an announcement will be made shortly.

Two resigned

"The MTUC has made several representations on the need to increase the contribution rates and we are happy that the Government appreciates our point," he added.

Datuk Lee also told the delegation that Government has agreed to bring out commemorative stamps to mark MTUC's Silver Jubilee celebrations this year.

The Postal authorities are working out the details and an announcement will be made shortly.

On the Workers' Bank, the Minister said that everything possible was being done to expedite reconvening of the special committee appointed by the Government to make recommendations on the bank.

The delay, he explained, was because two Government representatives on the committee had resigned.

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W STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1974

How States can help to cushion stagflation

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — State Governments have an important role to play in ensuring that world stagflation does not affect Malaysia's economy too badly, Tun Abdul Razak said today.

They could help by:

- **SETTING UP** of more food plants and agro-based industries,
- **ESTABLISHING** industries using local materials; and
- **EXPANDING** labour intensive projects and other programmes that could reduce the import of food.

The Prime Minister made these points before chairing a meeting of Mentris Besar and Chief Ministers at the Operations Room of the Prime Minister's office here.

He also urged State Governments to co-operate fully with the Federal Government in implementing its programmes, specially in matters relating to land and providing facilities for investment and setting up of industries in the States.

It is up to each State to use its capabilities to provide such facilities and the Federal Government is prepared to provide aid and support," he said.

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" . . . joint ventures must be encouraged"

"Joint-venture efforts from the private sector must also be encouraged," he added.

On the drawing up of the Third Malaysia Plan, he said it was the responsibility of the State Governments to prepare their own programmes for consideration by the Federal Government.

Also present at the meeting were the Deputy Prime Minister, Datuk Hussein Onn; Agriculture and Rural Development Minister, Encik Ghafar Baba; Home Affairs Minister Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie and the Chief Secretary to the Government, Tan Sri Kadir Shamsuddin.

Earlier, the Mentris Besar, Chief Ministers and senior officers were briefed on the present world stagflation, its effects on Malaysia's economy and the Government's efforts to counter them.

The meeting was also briefed on the methods and preparation of development schemes for the Third Malaysia Plan.

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New Sunday Times, November 10, 1974

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100 ARE EXPELLED FOR OPPOSING THE FRONT

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — Umno has expelled more than 100 members for opposing National Front candidates in the August general elections, Tun Abdul Razak said today.

Among the expelled were those who stood as candidates, election agents and polling agents of candidates.

The Prime Minister, who is also Umno president, told reporters after chairing the first Supreme Council since the elections that Datuk Senu Abdul Rahman had been re-appointed the party's secretary-general.

Petronas chairman and chief executive Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah was also re-appointed as treasurer and Senator Othman Abdullah, Umno publicity chief.

Datuk Senu has held the post since 1969 and Tengku Razaleigh is also one of the five vice-presidents.

114 divisions

The Supreme Council has also agreed that party divisions throughout Peninsular Malaysia co-ordinate their activities according to the amended constitution.

According to the amended Umno constitution, there would now be only one division in each federal constituency.

Tun Razak said all constituencies affected by the amendment would have to form their co-ordinating committees and organise special delegates conferences to elect new divisional committees.

Umno would have 114 divisions throughout the country after the co-ordination exercise. Representatives to the party's annual general

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UMNO TO HAVE 114 FEDERAL DIVISIONS

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assembly next year would be based on the number of new divisions.

Tun Razak also announced the appointment of Pahang Mentri Besar Datuk Mohamed bin Jusoh and Trengganu Mentri Besar Wan Mokhtar Ahmad to the council.

The Prime Minister himself is now Trengganu Umno Liaison Committee chairman replacing former Mentri Besar Datuk Nik Hassan Abdul Rahman. Wan Mokhtar is the deputy.

Other Umno Liaison Committee chairmen with their deputies in brackets are:

Perlis: Mentri Besar Datuk Jaafar Hassan (Encik Yusof Abu Bakar); Kedah: Mentri Besar Datuk Sri Syed Ahmad Shahabuddin (Datuk Syed Nahar Shahabuddin); Perak: Mentri Besar Tan Sri Haji Ghazali Jawi (Deputy Minister, Prime Minister's Department Datuk Sri Haji Kamaruddin Isa).

Selangor: Menteri Besar Dato Harun Idris (Deputy Agriculture and Rural Economic Development Minister Dato Haji Mustapha Jabar); Negri Sembilan: Mentri Besar Datuk Mansor Othman (Deputy Home Affairs Minister Datuk Abdul Samad Idris).

Johore: Mentri Besar Datuk Haji Othman Saat (Culture, Youth and Sports Minister Datuk Ali Haji Ahmad); Malacca: Chief Minister Haji Abdul Ghani Ali (Malacca Legislative Assembly Speaker Datuk Haji Ahmad Manaf); Pahang: Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Hamzah Abu Samah (Mentri Besar Datuk Mohamed bin Jusoh).

Kelantan: Tengku Razaleigh (Information and Special Functions Minister Tengku Ahmad Rithauddeen) and Penang: Datuk Syed Hassan Aidid (Haji Ahmad Abdullah).

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1974

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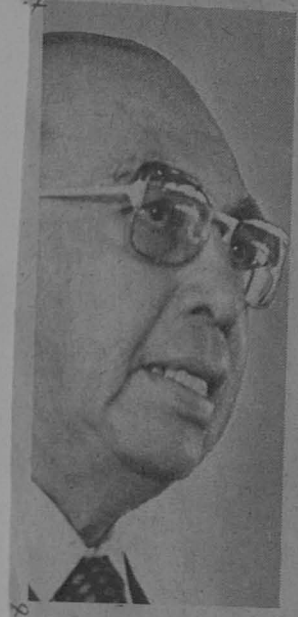
Development to go on despite stagflation

PROMISE WILL BE KEPT —TUN



Tun Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat.—National development programmes will be carried out as promised despite the inflationary trend and possible economic recession, Tun Abdul Razak pledged tonight.

"I would like to give an assurance that the Government will not breach its promise, and will do everything possible to fulfil the National Front manifesto," he added.

The Prime Minister was speaking at a dinner here to inaugurate the newly formed National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (NCCI).

He said Malaysia and the world would experience a critical economic situation in the next few months.

Food output

"The stagflationary situation that has hit us today requires practical approach and joint action by the Government and private sector to combat it.

"Whatever may happen, national development as outlined in the Second Malaysia Plan will be continued to fulfil the Government's promise to the people."

He said the King's address at the opening of the Fourth Parliament attracted public interest, and offered measures to arrest stagflation.

Tun Razak said one of the strongly emphasised measures was adequate production of food.

He said the Government felt it was essential to double efforts to guarantee self-sufficiency in food.

So far rice and padi production had been undertaken by the small padi farmers and there had been no participation by the private sector as in rubber and palm oil industries, he added.

Trade balance

Tun Razak urged NCCI members to consider new ventures and patterns in agriculture.

"I am sure there are quarters interested in large scale ventures into food production such as maize and soya bean which involve mechanised agriculture."

The Government was ready to consider suggestions and applications for such ventures. "This, I hope, is a challenge and an opportunity which merits your consideration."

Tun Razak also noted the optimistic observations that the United States was on the way towards more stable prices.

The worst impact of

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Promote exports, Razak tells the new chamber

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the tremendous increases in oil prices was apparently over and the recent Rabat Summit had further endorsed the hope for a brighter future, he said.

"As far as we are concerned, this is only the beginning and we can only take solace that our country is well-endowed with fertile land and rich natural resources to see us through the hard times."

Now, for the first time in so many years "we are faced with an adverse balance of trade as a result of the reduced demand for our traditional export commodities," Tun Razak said.

'Chamber timely'

"However, I believe we can still take advantage of our manufacturing sector to make up for this situation."

He also hoped that NCCI would examine all avenues to increase exports to non-traditional areas such as the Arab States.

Tun Razak urged the NCCI to play an active role in export promotion.

He said that while the Government could provide the basic facilities to help promote exports, the bulk of the effort should come from the private sector.

It was not only necessary that the sector respond favourably to any Government - sponsored export promotion activity, but it should also move in consonance with such efforts to ensure maximum effectiveness, he said.

He called on the chamber to establish an effective machinery to provide assistance and export advisory services to its members.

In this way, it could play a positive role in instilling among members a greater sense of "export consciousness."

Tun Razak hoped the chamber would succeed in establishing and maintaining an effective liaison and dialogue between its members and the Government.

Members of the private sector could, thus, be aware and clear of various Government policies on trade and industry.

Similar measures could also be taken by the private sector to maintain constant feed-back to the Government on their problems and views.

This could help the Government evolve appropriate measures and policies on trade and industry, he added.

Tun Razak said NCCI's birth was timely and useful.

In step

The NCCI, a merger of the various chambers of commerce and the Federation of Malaysian Manufacturers, could prove to be a dynamic vehicle for the private sector to reach the Government more effectively, he added.

NCCI chairman Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah said its formation came about this afternoon when constituent members of the former National Chamber of Commerce endorsed its establishment after consultation with FMM.

It was agreed that there should be one governing body for the NCCI and it should have 16 members, eight from FMM and two each from the constituent chambers.

It was also agreed that the chairman would be appointed by consensus and there would be four vice-chairmen, one each from the four members of the NCCI who do not provide the chairman.

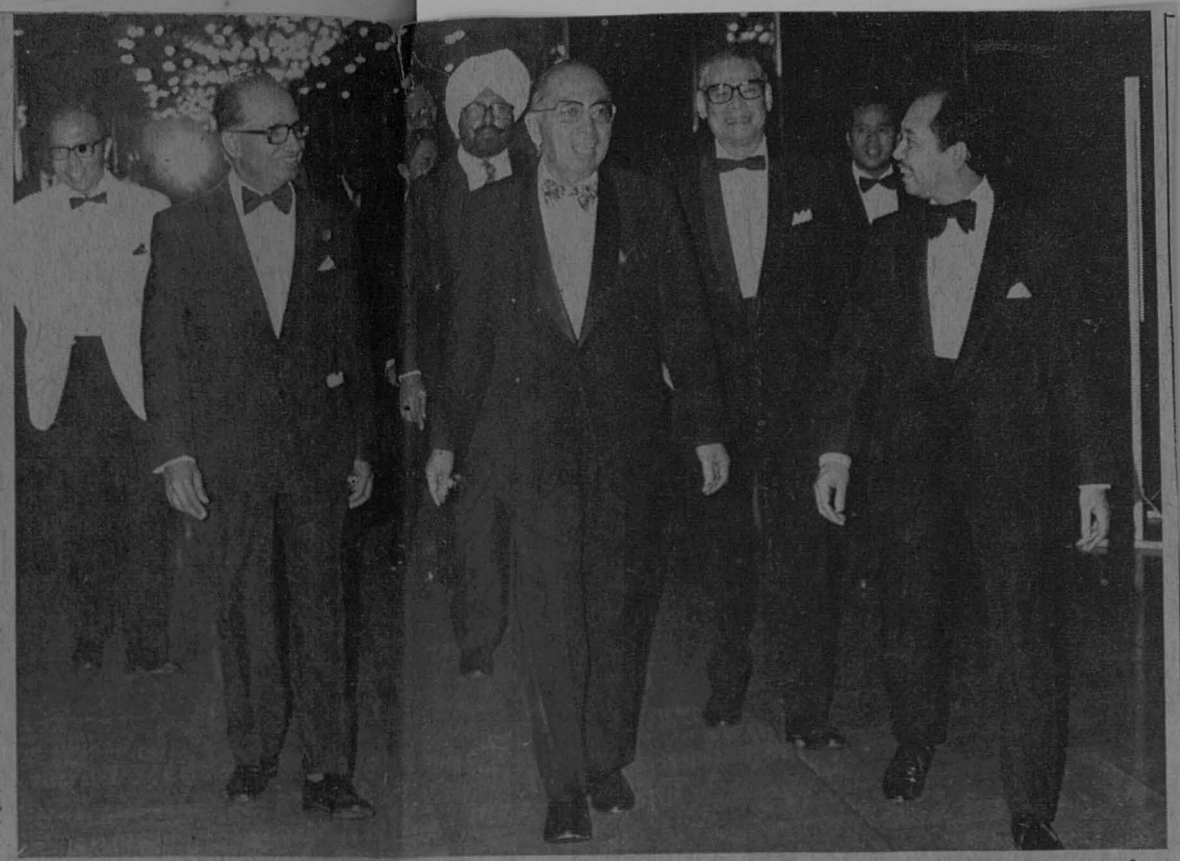
Tengku Razaleigh said that with the NCCI decisions on commerce and industry could be made unanimously.

It did not, however, mean that the respective chambers had been taking narrow individual courses of action or that they had been unduly motivated by profit-making.

"Yet, conceivably there are occasions when an unregarding pursuit of profit crosses the line of national aspirations and national interest.

"In such situations, particularly at this time in the history of our nation-building, short-term profit considerations could possibly be set aside.

"While the profit motive remains valid, other considerations should come into play so that the chambers of commerce march in step with national aspirations," he added.



Tun Abdul Razak arriving for the dinner. On the right is Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah, chairman of Petronas. — New Sunday Times picture.

NEW STRAITS TIMES, WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 13, 1974

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Tun: Let Deepavali goodwill carry through

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. — Tun Abdul Razak called on Malaysians today to join their Hindu friends in celebrating Deepavali.

In his Deepavali message, he urged them to promote the spirit of goodwill.

The Deputy Minister, Datuk Hussein Onn, wished all Malaysians of Hindu origin a Happy Deepavali.

The Minister of Communications, Tan Sri V. Manickavasagam, said in his message that Malaysians should be conscious of economic recession and be prepared for difficulties in terms of employment and income.

"While the Government is determined to take all the steps necessary to cushion the effects of such a recession on Malaysians, particularly workers and other lower income groups, we should be conscious and prepared for difficulties in terms of employment and income," he said.

"Therefore, while we celebrate Deepavali, let us remember that harder times are ahead."

'Join in'

Tan Sri Manickavasagam said Malaysians should plan to meet harder times by saving hard and foregoing non-essential expenditures.

"Let us therefore celebrate Deepavali this year both with a sense of joy for the events that have passed and a sense of determination for the coming years," he said.

Deputy Law Minister Datuk Athi Nahappan said the tremendous victory of the National Front ensured the continuity of a stable parliamentary democracy and socio-economic progress.

He called on all the Hindus in Malaysia to pray for continued peace and prosperity and "that the country be blessed with the moral, political and economic resilience to tide over the recessionary effects."

Minister of Culture, Youth and Sports Datuk Ali bin Haji Ahmad in wishing Hindus a Happy Deepavali called on people of other races to join them in celebrating the festival.

The Chief Minister of Penang, Dr. Lim Chong Eu, said Deepavali had become a festival celebrated by everyone in the State.

He urged the people to join hands and "take this opportunity to strengthen the bonds of goodwill and friendship that exists among all citizens in Penang."

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Tun to tee off Forces-Police match

TUN RAZAK will be the first to tee off in the annual Armed Forces-Police golf match at Subang National on Saturday. The Prime Minister (handicap 18) partners Datuk K. Thanabalasingam (15) for Armed Forces against Dato Mahmood Yunus-Khoo Chong Kong of Police.

The draw (Forces first):

Agung's Nine: 7.30 Tun Razak-Datuk K. Thanabalasingam v Dato Mahmood Yunus-Khoo Chong Kong; 7.36 Tan Sri Ibrahim-Syed Hamzah v Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie-Mokhtar Marahakim; 7.42 Datuk Djulkifli-Dato Jaafar Onn v J. J. Raj, Jr-Mansor Nor; 7.48 R. A. Farouk-Cheng Wah v Khoo Bin Kheng-H. B. Almeida; 7.54 Loo Yew Phin-Long Chik v Ahmad Hamid-Othman Dahwan; 8.00 Yunus Tasi-L. Pickering v Mohamed Nor-M. Doraisamy; 8.06 Allan Lai-Yim Kai Kee v Lawrence Cheow - Raja Lope; 8.12 Kok Kim Choon-S. Mahendran v Nordin Idris-Ismail Zainuddin; 8.18 Francis Lee-Adam Abu Bakar v Duke Cho-Mohamed Tahir; 8.24 Z. M. Hashim-Yaacob v K. Sockalingam - Rahman Ismail; 8.30 Abdul Latiff-Harbans Singh v Ibrahim Yeop-Leong Yoke Fong; 8.36 S. M. Leong-S. Pulendran v Hassein Dom-Alias Arshad.

Tunku's Nine: 7.30 Mohamed Hussin-Sarjit Singh v Teoh Seng Chuan-Gerry Toft; 7.36 A.F. Schubert-Teoh Say Chee v Sheikh Omar-Paiman Selan; 7.42 Michael Tan-Jaafar Mohamed v Mutalib Saad-Gopal Sabapathy; 7.48 Khairuddin-Martin Kum v Henry Chin-Tunku Yusoff; 7.54 Bob Wang-Robert Lai v Gurucharan Singh-Aziz Hussin; 8.0 Datuk Othman-David Lam v Liew Kooi Loon-Chau Soon Pai; 8.06 Ooi Ah Bah-Raja Ibrahim v Mohamed Jarjis-Nordin Omar; 8.12 J.B. Lopez-Kong Kok Wah v Raja Bakar-S. Sivarajah; 8.18 A. R. Lawrence-Wan Nor Ajla v Baharuddin Nasir-Abu Hassan; 8.24 M.N. Jury-Akhbar Khan v Abdul Razak-Mohamed Nor; 8.30 Abdul Rahman-Peter Wong v Majid Din-C. Sakunathan; 8.36 K. L. Loke-Kemaluddin v Ahmad Hamid - Francis Lee; 8.42 Harun-Osman Zain v X. A. Nicholas - Mohamed Amin.

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A new chapter in the life of a nation

A COLOURFUL and stirring ceremony marked the opening of the fourth Malaysian Parliament. It marked also a span of 15 years in the life of a young nation. The nation faces the challenge of difficult times ahead with 81 new members in the Dewan Rakyat, a blend of youth and maturity, erudition and experience. In this and the centre pages, in pictures and in words appear the ceremony and the people who will help shape the nation's destiny over the next five years and beyond.

The Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak presenting the text of the royal address to the King.

● **FAR RIGHT** .... Tun Razak and Toh Puan Rahah with Tan Sri Omar Ong Yoke Lin and Tan Sri Nik Kamil

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1974

BEWARE OF OUTSIDE INFLUENCES: RAZAK

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat.—Tun Abdul Razak has assured unions that the Government is always willing to consider fair and just claims submitted by them.

He was speaking at the silver jubilee celebrations of the Union of Post Office Workers at Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka here this evening.

But he advised unions to be wary of outside influences aimed at embarrassing the Government.

They should co-operate with the Government in maintaining harmony for the sake of the members, the people and the nation.

On the postal services, Tun Razak said the long-term plan of the Government is to have one post office for every town or community with 3,000 or more people and one representative for every village or housing estate with 1,000 people or more.

The visits of mobile post offices will also be increased simultaneously.

From 201 post offices in 1957 the country now has 362 post offices.

Tun Razak praised the Post Office for acting quickly on complaints by the people over lost letters or late delivery.

He urged other Government departments to do likewise and give attention to complaints raised in the "Letters to the Editor" column in newspapers.

Tun Razak expressed satisfaction with the progress made by the Postal Department and the service provided by the staff.

On training, he said the Government was aware of this need. The Postal Training Institute will be ready by 1976.

Staff will also be sent to other institutes for training so that they will be able to serve the public better.

He also urged other Government departments to follow the Postal Department's example of implementing the metric system early next year.

On the National Savings Bank, Tun Razak said its aim was to encourage the people to save for the future.

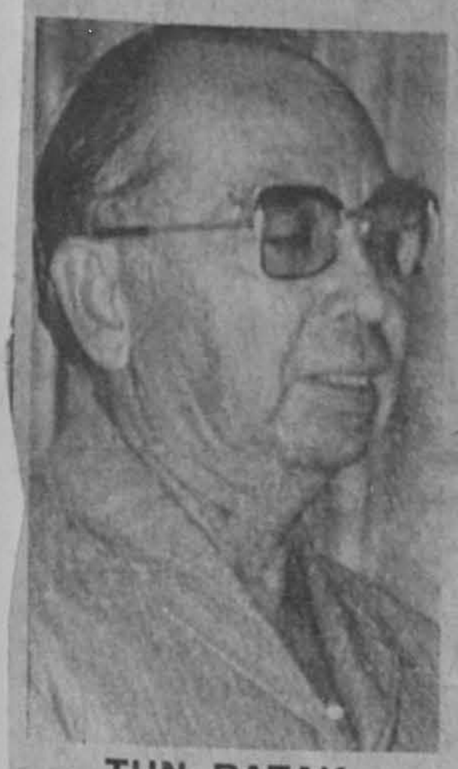
Go to the people, Front members told

NEW WAY TO BEAT THE REDS

KUALA LUMPUR, Saturday.

TUN Abdul Razak spelt out today a new strategy to fight the communists. He said it would require all National Front MPs and State Assembly members to go to the people — especially those in the rural areas and new villages — and impress on them the evils of communism.

He said they must meet the people as often as they could and explain "sincerely and frankly" the Government's policies and the steps taken to improve the lot of the people.



TUN RAZAK

Trouble makers

"They must ensure that the young are not misled by the communist terrorists," he said.

"The communists' main objective is to bring down the Government by force, and to wipe out democracy.

"If they succeed, there will be a totalitarian Government that will take away the freedom of the people."

Tun Razak said the communists were nothing but "trouble makers" who want to create racial disunity and chaos.

The Prime Minister was speaking at the opening here of a political seminar organised by the MCA for its MPs and State Assemblymen.

Tun Razak urged the MCA, Gerakan and PPP to have "closer rapport" among them to achieve normalisation of party-to-party relationship within the National Front.

"The Alliance era has come to an end and we should look to the future in the context of the National Front," he said.

"Adjustments have to be made between the old Alliance partners and particularly between the three 'Chinese-base' parties—the MCA, Gerakan and PPP."

His reminder

The PPP, he said, had suffered a "serious setback" in Ipoh during the last election. National Front parties must work together to retrieve lost ground.

Tun Razak also reminded all National Front elected representatives that they should reflect the Government's desire for efficiency and honesty.

"It is important that they should maintain the link with their respective constituents, and this is best done at party offices so that the public will always appreciate the party's role — and not that of the individual."

Tun Razak said he had received numerous letters of complaints before the election about MPs who travel in big cars, but who did nothing for the people.

"This must not happen again," he said. "Fortunately, I have not received any more such complaints since the election, and I hope I will not."

NEW STRAITS TIMES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1974

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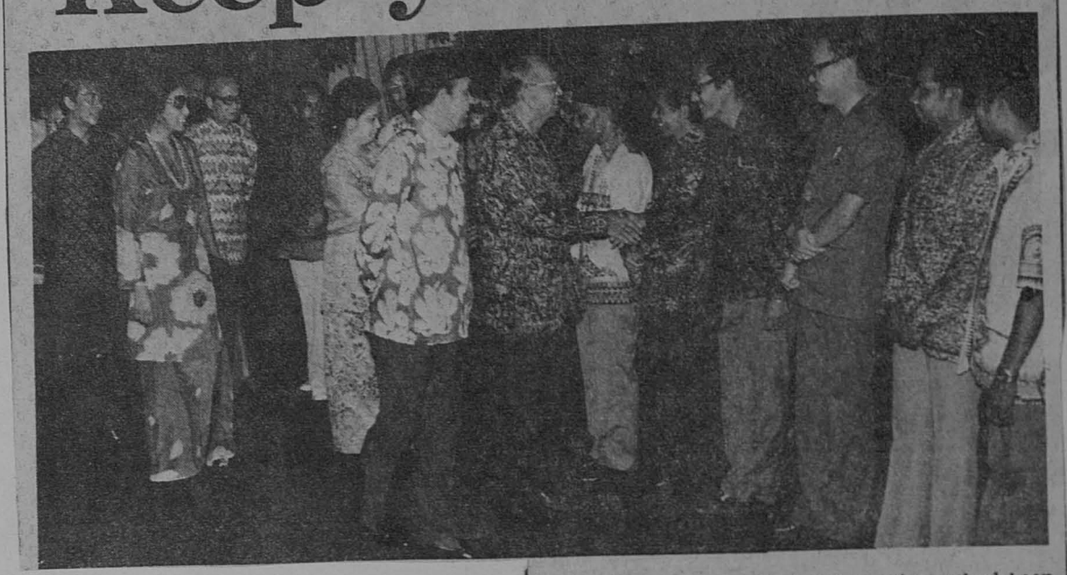
Front men told: Keep your word



KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. — Tun Abdul Razak reminded National Front representatives in Parliament and State Assemblies tonight to work for the people with dedication.

He told them that they must fulfil the promises made to the people during the last general election.

"We won the election with a landslide because the people had faith in the Government and gave their support and mandate to the National Front," he said.

"We now have the responsibilty of meeting the people's wishes and of ensuring that the support of the people is maintained at all times."

Tun Abdul Razak was speaking at a Selangor National Front dinner at Selangor House here.

He urged the representatives to be with the people as much as possible, particularly during emergencies and other times of need.

In the past, constituencies in which the representatives had not worked had been difficult to win, or had been won by only a narrow majority he said.

He had also received many letters complaining about the representatives since the general election.

Tun Razak also told the component parties of the Front to set up offices at all levels to help the people.

On the reorganisation of the Front, Tun Razak hoped that the committees, to be set up at State and constituency levels, will streamline the party machinery.

Code of conduct

The Front will also have a code of conduct for the representatives.

Among those who attended the dinner were Tun Razak's wife, Toh Puan Rahah, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn and Datin Suhailah, Tan Sri and Puan Sri Lee Siok Yew, Tan Sri V. Manickavasagam and Mentri Besar Dato Haji Harun Idris.

PICTURE: Tun Abdul Razak shaking hands with State Assemblyman Yap Pian Hon on arrival at Selangor House.

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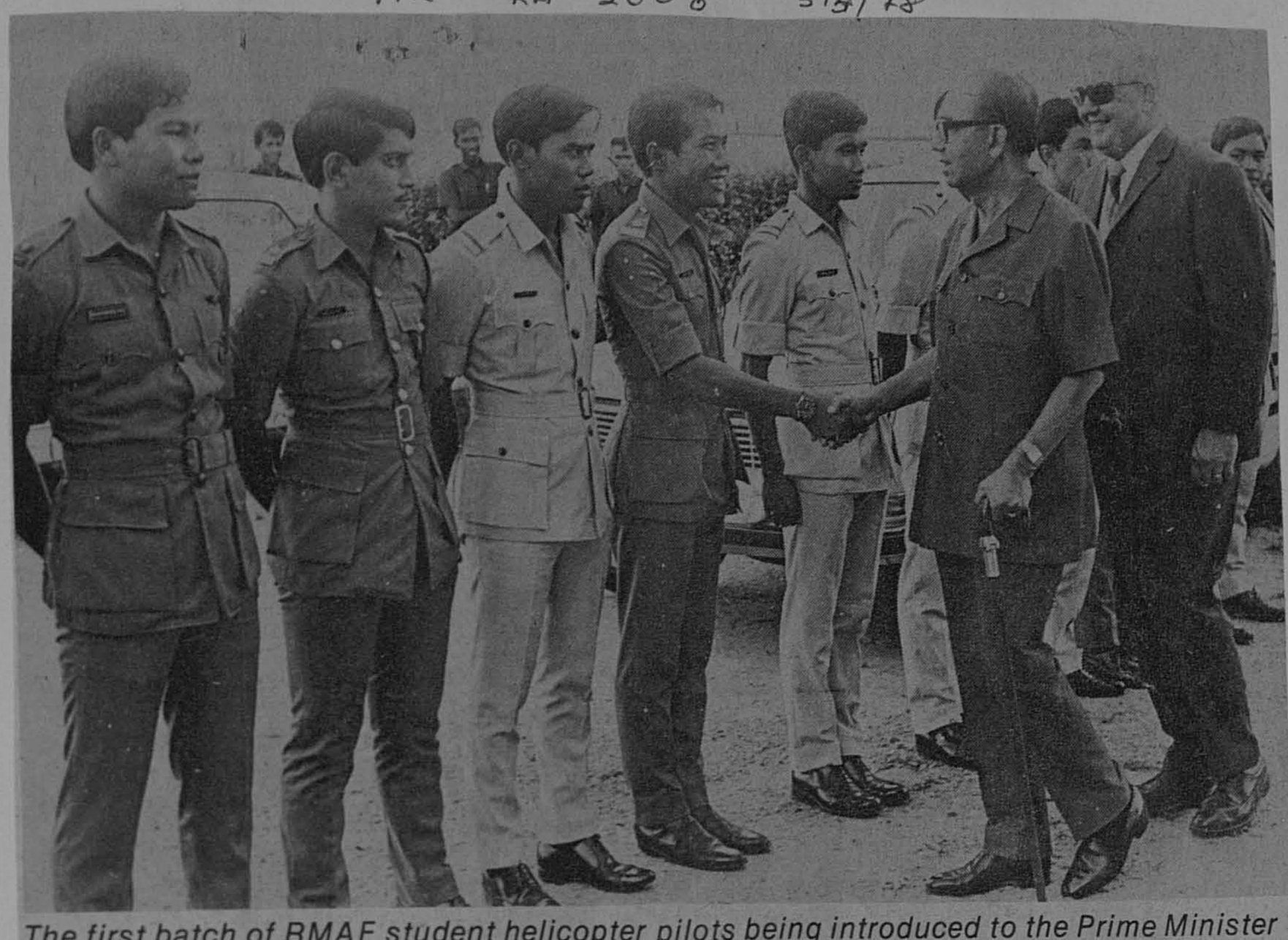

The first batch of RMAF student helicopter pilots being introduced to the Prime Minister — October 1970

NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1974

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TUN RAZAK HOSTS DINNER FOR MPs

TUN RAZAK speaking to some of the guests at a dinner he hosted at Sri Taman, last night for Members of Parliament.

From left are: Mr. Paul Leong Khee Seong, Deputy Minister for Primary Industries, Encik Mohamed Sopiee, MP for Kepala Batas, and Dr. Goh Cheng Teik, Parliamentary Secretary in the Prime Minister's Department and MP for Nibong Tebal.

Also present were the Deputy Prime Minister, Datuk Hussein Onn, other, Ministers and Deputy Ministers.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1974

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VIPs at charity film premiere

TUN Razak, seated between Toh Puan Rahah and Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn, at the charity premiere of Kerhormatan, an Indonesian film, at Cathay Cinema in Kuala Lumpur last night.

Next to Toh Puan Rahah is Home Affairs Minister Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie.

The show is aimed at raising $10,000 for the Ex-Police Association of Malaysia's fund.

Several other Ministers and heads of diplomatic missions also attended the film show. — New Straits Times picture.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1974

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Tun, Toh Puan at wedding ronggeng

TENGKU Abdullah, younger brother of the Sultan of Pahang, dancing the ronggeng with his Filipino bride, Maria Isabelle Roces, at their wedding reception in the Kuala Lumpur Hilton last night.

Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak and Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah (both in the background) joined in the ronggeng. They were among the 200 guests at the party.

Tengku Abdullah and Maria were married in Kuantan last Thursday.

Maria, who has adopted the name Mariam binti Abdullah is the daughter of a businessman and grandchild of the founder of the now defunct Manila Times. She is a graduate of the University of California.

Tengku Abdullah and Maria met at a party in Manila four years ago.

NEW STRAITS TIMES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1974

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A World Cup you can see in the museum

TUN RAZAK, president of the Malaysian Hockey Federation, received the World Cup trophy from IHF president Rene Frank at Sri Taman last night and the simple ceremony ended with a warm handshake.

The $200,000 trophy will be on display at the National Museum from today until the 3rd World Cup tournament starts in March.

Holland won the trophy when they hosted the tournament in Amsterdam last year.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1974

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We've lost a great statesman: Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. — Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak said U Thant's death had robbed the world of a great statesman.

In a message of condolence to Madam U Thant, Tun Razak said U Thant's contribution towards the maintenance of international peace and stability would serve as a legacy to all mankind.

"U Thant's courage and ingenuity in carrying out his task and responsibility as the Secretary-General of the United Nations will long be remembered by the international community," he added.

In Singapore, delegates and observers from 27 countries attending the Colombo Plan conference, observed a one-minute silence today in honour of U Thant.

NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1974

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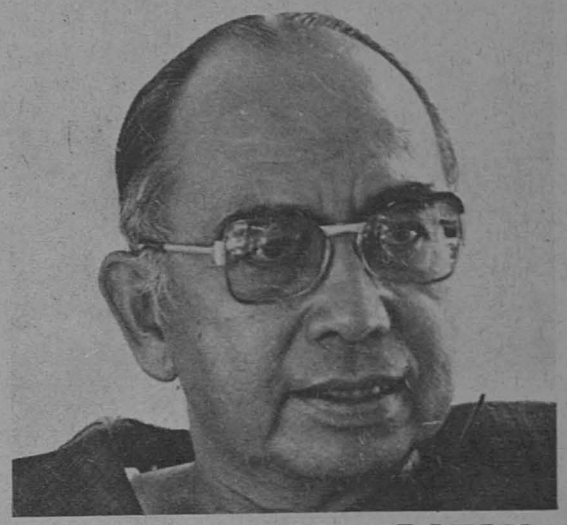
Development and the quality of life...



By TUN ABDUL RAZAK

Text of his speech delivered at the colloquium on policy analysis organised by the United Nations Asian Centre for Development Administration in Kuala Lumpur on Monday.

EIGHT years ago, I had the privilege of opening the Afro-Asian Seminar on National Development held here in Kuala Lumpur. I said at that time "most of the countries in Asia and Africa are newly emerging nations and a great number of them have gained political freedom in the last 10 or 20 years.

"All of us in this region agree and recognise that political independence is not the end of our national goals; it is the beginning of our task of shaping the destiny of our nation ourselves and of giving our people a better and higher standard of living, of meeting their expectations of having a rightful place among the free nations of the world, with a decent standard of living compatible with a modern and civilised society.

Urgent

"There is the urgency for all of us to develop and progress to keep pace with the passage of modern times. Therefore, there is this common characteristic of all emerging nations in Asia and Africa and I feel that this common characteristic and common ground could bind emerging nations more closely together so that they could work together and co-operate for their mutual benefit."

What I had said in 1966 is as true today as it was then, and the nations in Asia must set themselves the task of shaping their own destiny and giving their people a decent standard of living compatible with modern and civilised society.

Your deliberations will therefore concern two major issues, namely, peace and development. We cannot have development without peace and security nor can we have peace without development.

We on our part in Malaysia extend our hand of friendship to all nations of the world and look forward to play our role collectively in fostering world peace, friendship and harmony among nations and peoples.

Like any newly emerging nation, we in Malaysia are also anxious to take advantage of the benefits of international co-operation to promote and foster economic and social development.

In this context, we find it beneficial to work both through the United Nations system which concerns itself with global problems as well as through the regional and sub-regional systems which are concerned with Asian problems and opportunities.

Development in the modern world can no longer be treated as merely a national responsibility. Development must be looked at from regional as well as global angles. We live in a modern world of interdependence. No nation can achieve real progress in isolation without the co-operation of other nations.

Recently, the Special General Assembly Session of the United Nations adopted a resolution on the New World Economic Order. We fully support the motive force behind the resolution and believe that the world's resources should be used equitably for the development of mankind.

However, we are aware that to make the New Economic Order a reality poses new challenges for developing countries. We can only rise to meet the challenges if we keep both our feet firmly on the ground and at the same time search for new avenues for action.

There was a time when the world community had thought that development was synonymous with economic development. Of course, economic development remains the most important dimension of progress.

But we have also learned that economic development by itself cannot meet the social needs.

It can also generate unanticipated consequences as has been demonstrated by recent concern with environment and distributional aspects of development within and among nations.

What is really needed is to focus attention on the "quality of life" of our people and use that as the framework for our development efforts. It is therefore heartening to see that institutions like ACDA are now trying to apply comprehensive approaches to the study of development which transcend pure economic analysis and strive to bring a wider perspective to bear on problems affecting national growth and social progress.

I sincerely hope that your analysis will draw upon the knowledge and experience available in different countries of the region to increase our understanding of the problems of development. In this connection, you may wish to study our own experience in Malaysia.

In Malaysia, I have always stated that my basic thinking on development is that it is a mosaic, a combination of various parts.

One cannot separate the various aspects of nation building and development because each is inter-related with the other.

You cannot separate development from politics or from day to day administration, neither can you separate development planning from implementation, and neither can you separate implementation from evaluation.

Therefore, the first basic for economic development is the type of political leadership that can channel human emotion and energies into action and results.

We in Malaysia would not have achieved the success in our development plans if we have not mobilised the resources of our country and the whole machinery of the Government to concentrate on development.

The results

We would not have achieved the results if we had not instilled in the minds of our officers at all levels the urgency of implementing development projects and the desirability of working as a team in order to produce the results which the people desire.

This is the mosaic of development. There must be sensible planning and implementation and sound political stability. Unless we have all these, no free nation would neither put in their investment or enterprise nor give both technical and economic aid to our development programmes.

The technique of economic development planning is now well advanced throughout the world and it is fairly easy for any developing nation to have a plan prepared but the technique of implementation and of putting some push and punch into the translation of that plan from paper into clear results is a technique, for there is little in the national knowledge at present from which developing countries could apply.

We in Malaysia have evolved a technique of development planning and implementation—the Operation Room Technique—which, I am pleased to say with humility, have produced results in development with which we are extremely happy.

By this technique, we were able to instil in the minds of our officers and implementors a sense of urgency, a sense of dedication in development, a spirit of initiative and feeling of belonging to an administrative Government machinery which is dedicated to development and to the service of the country.

This sense of urgency and the change of attitude throughout the whole of the Government service were necessary in order to bring about a new life throughout the entire Government structure to wipe out the vestiges of colonial heritage. Of course, the process of changes must continue and there is still room for further improvement.

The next important thing is that there should be co-ordination and co-operation in all Government departments at all levels.

I used to say that the main deterrent factors which tend to delay development are what I called the "deadly sins of bureaucracy" such as inter-departmental jealousies in the execution of Government functions, conflicting departmental interests, lack of determination in carrying out national policies, lack of day to day co-operation between Government officers on the ground mainly due to lack of knowledge of each other's tasks and responsibilities.

There was lack of sufficient directive control at the top to ensure that Government at all levels functions as an efficient machine, manned by purposeful, single-minded teams and driven towards the goal of development.

It was therefore necessary to develop a technique for implementation and a system which would eradicate these "deadly sins of bureaucracy" — a system by which we could obtain maximum co-operation and co-ordination at all levels.

Planning

We therefore set up development planning and implementation teams at the various levels—federal state and district—and the work of these teams was continuously supervised and monitored through the various Operation Rooms.

This technique has made tremendous impact on the machinery of the Government and enabled co-operation and co-ordination to be achieved at all levels.

The Operation Rooms which we set up at the national, state and district levels enabled me particularly at that time when I was Minister of National and Rural Development to keep my finger on the pulse of development progress from time to time.

Although now with

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The framework for development efforts

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other responsibilities I have less time to continuously keep my finger on the pulse, I do see to it that the machinery is operating as well as can be expected. From time to time I still put my finger on the pulse.

I do hope that in the course of your deliberation, you will be able to consider the technique of development which we in this country had adopted for the benefit of the people and also which various other countries have adopted.

In the field of development, we emerging countries in Asia have our own goals. At the same time, we have common problems and by exchanging ideas and views, by exchanging our experiences, we can assist each other in solving our problems and in this way we will be able to achieve our natonal aims in the field of development at a faster and greater rate.

The time has come for us to realise that development efforts and our progress are not exclusive of each other and not merely national in character but are interdependent.

Positive results

The ACDA's programme which will engage you for the next few days should enable you to reflect on your experiences and together share your thoughts and ideas. But we must realise that deliberations are useful only if they lead to better action and positive results.

In our race for progress, we cannot afford to engage in purely intellectual exercises. We must set our sights on the pressing problems. faced by our respective countries and by mankind and we must concern ourselves with strategies for actions to meet and resolve these problems.

There is no limit to the problems with which we are faced today. Like everywhere else, we are facing the consequences of imported inflation and stagflation which is followed closely by portents of coming depression.

The energy crisis resulting in the increase in the price of oil, industrial goods, shipping services and consumer goods have sapped the economic vitality of most nations particularly those of the developing world.

Added to this is the problem of the shortages of food faced by many countries in Asia and Africa and some are living almost under famine conditions.

Regional actions

It is clear therefore that if these pressing and complex problems are to be tackled and resolved, there is need for united effort, bold approaches and decisive actions.

In Rome recently, the international community has been deliberating on problems of food and population. A number of recommendations have been made to meet the world food crisis.

Certainly these efforts are greatly appreciated but the important thing we must ask ourselves is, will all these lead to immediate decisive action?

Should we all wait for initiatives on the global level to materialise or should we not take measures at regional and sub-regional levels?

Perhaps, it might be worthwhile to consider launching an Asian Food Bank in anticipation of the measures which might be taken at the global level.

Besides, it is clear that we cannot solve the food problem without attention to population policies.

It is therefore imperative, in my view, that we should review and revitalise our population policies and programmes and prepare the necessary administrative arrangements for implementing them.

Most of the problems we are faced with today cannot be solved within national boundaries alone.

Nations are so interdependent that we have to learn to work together in evolving collective solutions to these problems that we are facing.

That is why we all welcome the establishment of various international and regional institutions which can play a significant role in promoting collective and joint efforts to resolve these problems.

But, if these institutions are to succeed, it must be the duty of all of us to give them all the support they need.

We in Malaysia welcome the establishment of ACDA as another pillar in regional co-operation. We have given it support to the best of our ability and will continue to do so.

I am confident all member states of ESCAP will make use of what ACDA has to offer and will maintain close interest in its progress and development.

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NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1974

Tun's $7,000 prize for winner of schools' big debate

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed

ANY WINNER will take special pride in this $7,000 trophy. It was donated by Tun Abdul Razak for the inter-residential school debate, the first of its kind to be organised on a national scale.

And it was specially designed by Encik Baharuddin Abu Kassim, the architect who designed the National Mosque.

The Prime Minister and other Cabinet Ministers will be present for the final round on Saturday at the RTM Auditorium. The debate will be televised live.

The subject of the debate is "That a parliamentary democratic form of government based on the British system is suitable for developing multi-racial countries like Malaysia, although it can hinder economic development, national unity and identity."

Sekolah Tun Fatimah, Johore Baru, the proposers, will meet Sekolah Alam Shah, Kuala Lumpur.

"The debate is to promote fluency not only in Bahasa Malaysia, but also in English," Datuk Abdullah Ahmad, Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department, said yesterday.

He is the chairman of the 1974 organising committee of the debate.

For the preliminary and semi-final rounds, the debate was held in Bahasa Malaysia and English. For the finals, it will be in Bahasa Malaysia.

"The aim of the debate is to make sure future leaders not only speak but also think in both languages," Datuk Abdullah said.

He said the debate topics are also chosen to encourage pupils to learn about national affairs.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1974

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What Govt pay for YOUR rice

24-CENT SUBSIDY ON EVERY KATI THAT'S IMPORTED

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. – The Government spent $140 million to subsidise about a third of the cost of 358,000 tons of rice imported by the National Padi and Rice Authority (LPN) from the beginning of last year to the end of last month, Tun Abdul Razak disclosed tonight.

"The Government subsidised 23.65 cents or 31 per cent of every kati of imported rice bought by consumers," the Prime Minister said at the LPN third anniversary dinner at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton.

15 p.c. imports

He said Malaysia imported about 200,000 tons, or 15 per cent of its rice requirements, yearly. The rice price in the world market rose a few months after the LPN was set up.

In view of the world rice shortage, the LPN should be congratulated for having successfully imported enough rice for the country's needs and for stabilising padi and rice prices, he added.

"I would like to take the opportunity here to express my appreciation to Tan Sri Syed Nasir Ismail who has been the LPN chairman since it was set up (in September, 1971) to the end of last month, the executive deputy chairman, Encik Mohamed Noor Hassan, and all the staff of the LPN.

Task force

"I would also like to thank members of the Cabinet committee on rice and essential goods under Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn, and his task force, headed by Encik Abdul Aziz Zakaria, Deputy Chief Secretary to the Prime Minister's Department.

"With the setting up of the committee in September, 1973, and the task force, the LPN was able to get quick Government decisions on matters especially relating to enforcement and finance and effective co-ordination with other Government machineries such as the Customs and police," the Prime Minister said.

The Prime Minister said the Government had carried out price control, licensing, anti-hoardin[g] and anti-smuggling measures to protect the interests of the consu[mer]

The [Government] aimed [at] subsi[dising] ed t[he] padi [area] gr[owing] it's [to] Va[rious] ...

Tun's advice: Plant cash crops, too

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the total padi area at present to 70 per cent in 1976.

For those areas which could not be provided with facilities for double cropping, it was hoped that the farmers would take the initiative to plant off-season cash crops.

The Government, he added, was taking all measures which it thought fit to ensure that the rubber price would not drop too low and to assist the people in increasing production of their daily necessities.

"I hope people will understand the situation which we are now facing and will not be influenced by any group wishing to create divisiveness among them.

"The situation which we are facing now is unavoidable. All countries in the world are facing the same situation," he said.

The Prime Minister said the world rice market had now reached a turning point. The commodity could easily be obtained in rice-exporting countries and its price had gone down.

The LPN has a new chairman, Encik Mohamed Sopiee, to lead it to meet the challenges arising from the new situation and the stagflation now being faced by the world.

"I am confident that with the co-operation of his staff, he will be able to maintain the present stable supply and price of padi and rice," the Prime Minister added.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1974

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Razak joins 500 at LPN dinner

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. — Tun Abdul Razak and Toh Puan Rahah being escorted to the Nirwana Ballroom in the Kuala Lumpur Hilton to attend the anniversary dinner of the National Padi and Rice Authority (LPN).

The LPN chairman, Encik Mohamed Sopiee, is on the left. On the right is LPN director general Mohamed Noor Hassan.

Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn, Minister of Lands and Mines Datuk Haji Mohamed Asri and the Minister of Culture, Youth and Sports Datuk Ali bin Haji Ahmad were also among 500 guests at the dinner. — New Straits Times picture.

NEW STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1974

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The commandant of the Armed Forces Staff College, Brig.-Gen. Zain Mohamed Hashim, showing Tun Razak a Kelantan rose-bowl presented to the college by the 37 course officers.

Raising standards in the armed forces

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Three army brigade headquarters are to be built in Kota Baru, Ipoh and Lok Kawi in Sabah under the Third Malaysia Plan, Tun Abdul Razak said today.

Four battalion complexes will also be built — two in Kampung Bukit China in Kelantan, one in Simmanggang, Sarawak, and the other in Kuala Lipis.

This will provide facilities for members of the armed forces to attain higher professional standards, he said when he presented diplomas to 37 officers who had completed a one-year course at the Armed Forces Staff College here.

Five of the officers are from Australia, Thailand, Britain, New Zealand and Indonesia.

High calibre

Tun Razak said: "The Staff College is the premier training centre in this country, aimed at equipping armed forces, police and civil service officers with leadership and management expertise.

"I hope the college will be able to produce more officers who are not only of high calibre and efficient, but who also understand fully the political development of the country and the efforts to restructure society.

"In this way, they can become leaders with great foresight to enable them to play a greater role, particularly in implementing the Government's policies and the wishes and aspirations of the people."

Tun Razak said he was confident that with honesty and will power, coupled with a strong sense of responsibility and discipline on the part of the officers, the armed forces would be able to carry out their duties smoothly and efficiently.

He asked the officers to set a good example to their subordinates to gain their respect, and to instil greater discipline and dedication.

He said: "To my mind, the most important factor in promoting efficiency in the armed forces is through discipline and dedication.

"This can be done many ways, but the most important is through setting an example to your subordinates.

"Senior officers must show sincerity and fairness to all. Through this, they will gain the confidence and respect of those under them."

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Tun Razak told the officers from abroad to inform their Governments that the college would welcome more foreign participation as both sides would benefit through an exchange of views and experiences.

The Chief of Armed Forces Staff, Gen. Tan Sri Ibrahim Ismail, said military officers as members of the security forces should find more effective and practical ways of performing their duties.

This is important as war and defence are expensive affairs, he said.

Gen. Ibrahim, who is also chairman of the college board, said this year's students were given the opportunity to study in depth the security situations in Pahang in relation to internal security and development.

CHANCE TO EXCHANGE VIEWS AT THIS COLLEGE

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1974

ORE BOARDING SCHOOLS: TUN

Helping to bridge the gap of opportunity for rural children

LUMPUR, Saturday.
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Razali bin Mohamed Thani — leader of the winning team — holding up the trophy after receiving it from Toh Puan Rahah. Next to Toh Puan Rahah is Datuk Abdullah Ahmad.

THE JOY OF WINNING!

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — The boys of Sekolah Alam Shah won a handsome victory over the girls of Sekolah Tun Fatimah in the inter-school debate tonight to take the coveted Tun Razak Challenge Trophy.

But the girls put up a spirited fight. They lost by only 40 points. The scores: Sekolah Alam Shah, Kuala Lumpur 598; Sekolah Tun Fatimah, Johore Baru 558.

Toh Puan Rahah presented the $7,000 trophy, donated by Tun Razak, to the victorious team comprising Sixth Formers Mohamed Yazid bin Mohamed Ali, Mohamed Zawawi bin Salleh and Razali bin Mohamed Thani.

The girls had one consolation however — Endon Bidin, a Sixth Former, was judged the best speaker. The other two speakers were Nik Aishah Othman and Fauziah Mansur, both Fifth Formers.

The debate, open to fully residential schools, was held in Bahasa Malaysia and telecast live from the RTM auditorium.

The topic was "That a parliamentary democratic form of government based on the British system is suitable for developing multi-racial countries like Malaysia although it can hinder economic development, national unity and identity."

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Students told: Speak Bahasa and English

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. — The Deputy Minister to the Prime Minister, Datuk Abdullah Ahmad, advised students today to be bilingual.

He was speaking at the inter-school debating final between Sekolah Tun Fatimah, Johore Baru, and Sekolah Alam Shah here at the Auditorium Radio, Angkasapuri.

Datuk Abdullah, who is the chairman of the committee for the inter-school debate, hoped that it will encourage students to be articulate in both Bahasa Malaysia and English.

Parliamentary democracy needed professional politicians as politics could not be treated as a past - time, he added.

"Politics demands a complete dedication to the profession and the highest qualities of integrity and honesty.

"The fact that Malaysia has a proliferation of political parties speaks of the wide latitude of freedom for its people to speak their minds.

"We do not seek to create a people with a "mass-mind" which is a normal characteristic of a dictatorship," he said.

Such a system educates its people to think in the mass. Yet a democracy could easily produce people who tend to think in the mass if it is rudderless and if freedom is unrestrained, he said.

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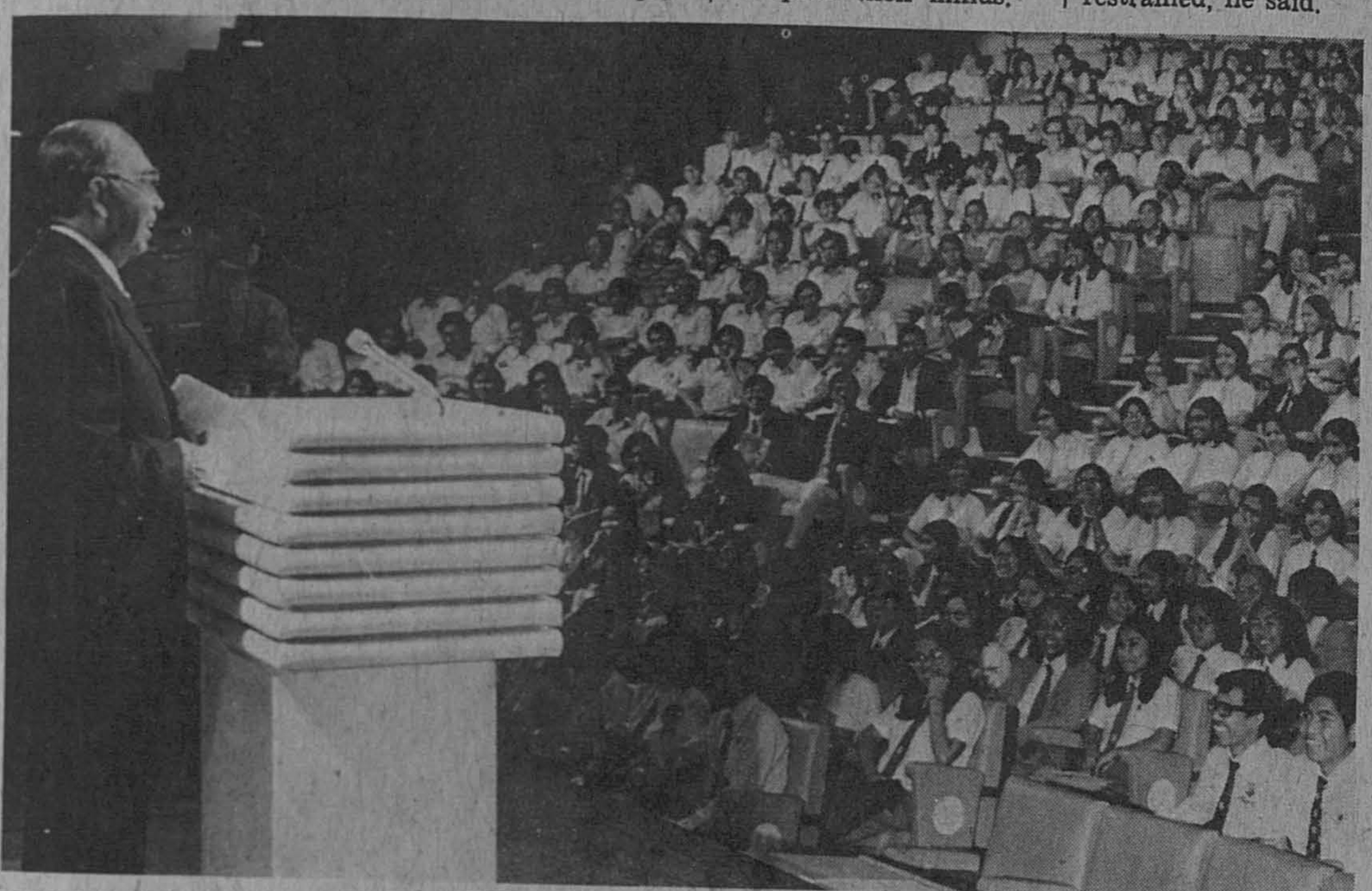
WINNING



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TUN RAZAK addressing the students before the debate. He and his wife Toh Puan Rahah later watched the debate from the royal box at the RTM auditorium.

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THE disappointed but sporting losers — Endon Bidin and Nik Aishah — receiving their pewter plaques from Toh Puan Rahah. With them is Datuk Abdullah Ahmad, chairman of the debate final. — New Sunday Times pictures.

RAZALI M. THANI

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NEW STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1974

Builders told of 'modern slums' danger

OPEN SPACES A MUST IN CITIES, SAYS TUN

KUALA LUMPUR, Monday.

TUN Abdul Razak cautioned developers and architects today against creating modern slums when implementing urban renewal projects.

The Prime Minister said the ultimate goal of the Government's urban renewal policy was to clear squalid living areas and provide clean living quarters.

Because of limited land space, particularly in Kuala Lumpur and the major towns, tall and high rise buildings have to be built.

Developers and architects should create open spaces and recreational areas to meet the social needs of the people, he added.

Tun Razak was speaking at the opening of the Conference on Tall Buildings at Equatorial Hotel. More than 450 people from 14 countries are attending the conference.

"It is of vital importance that there be parks and green areas."

The problems

"We should not, in our eagerness to resettle the depressed areas, create on the other hand what are virtually modern slums," he said.

He hoped that the conference would consider the social problems, connected with high-rise buildings.

"The technical aspects of the problems regarding security and safety of the occupants are, of course, of equal importance," Tun Razak added.

The Prime Minister said the population drift to the cities had brought in its wake, social and economic problems.

PICTURE ON PAGE 9

Cities which formerly were in the region of less than half-a-million people were now becoming too congested.

"Slums and squatter settlements grow like mushrooms, and besides causing nightmare to city-planners, have also posed a threat to the stability of the country."

'Ensure adequate safety measures for buildings'

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was also towards multi-purpose complexes of mixed development which could include shops, restaurants, office space and apartments.

"This would do away with off-street parking — provided adequate car parking facilities are available and proper ingress and agress are designed," he said.

The Government had also lifted the four-storey ceiling restriction on buildings in the central commercial area here to stimulate development.

This had changed the skyline of the City but it had also created traffic problems.

"Certain parts of Kuala Lumpur, and in the other major towns, are now ripe for development or re-development. High rise buildings in the traditional lots with 20 foot road frontage would however be an anachronism.

Car parks

"Every facility must be given to amalgamate such lots into larger units for the development of high-rise buildings.

"Land offices should, therefore, simplify the procedure for amalgamation.

"Various considerations must be made when tall buildings are planned. They must be aesthetically pleasing, structurally sound and adequate safety measures (particularly fire prevention) should be incorporated.

"The question of traffic management and adequate car parking facility should also be a major consideration," Tun Razak said.

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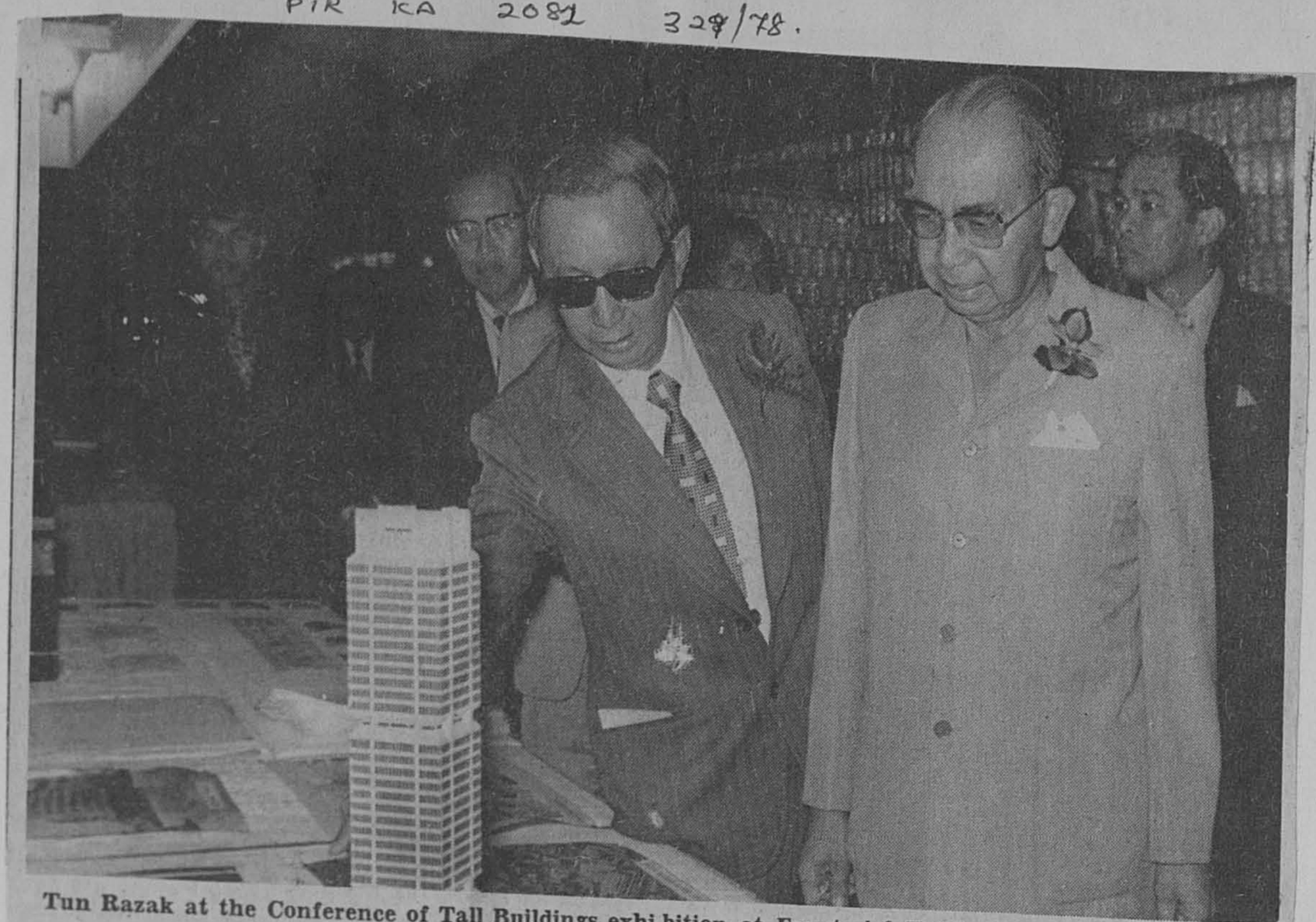

Tun Razak at the Conference of Tall Buildings exhi bition at Equatorial Hotel yesterday. With him is the chairman of the organising committee, Mr. Thean Lip Thong.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1974

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Message from the Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak

RECENT developments and changes in life style of our people requires a renewal within institutions that affect the daily lives of the people.

In this context, the Government feels it necessary to bring changes to the Post Office Savings Bank which we have been familiar with since before independence, in fact since the middle of the century, so that it will truly meet the requirements of the modern times.

I am happy with the step taken in this connection and take joy in the launching of the National Savings Bank today.

The National Savings Bank repre-presents a new way in our efforts to instill thrift so that the people will be encouraged to save their money.

It will maintain the high standards of the Post Office Savings Bank and at the same time bring several changes in keeping with present times.

I hope that with the launching of the National Savings Bank today it will develop as a major savings institution and will expand the savings campaign of the Government as an anti-inflationary move and quicken the pace of national development.

Therefore, the National Savings Bank has an important role in the lives of the people national development.

I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the members of the Board of directors of the National Savings Bank as well as its staff and wish it every success.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1974

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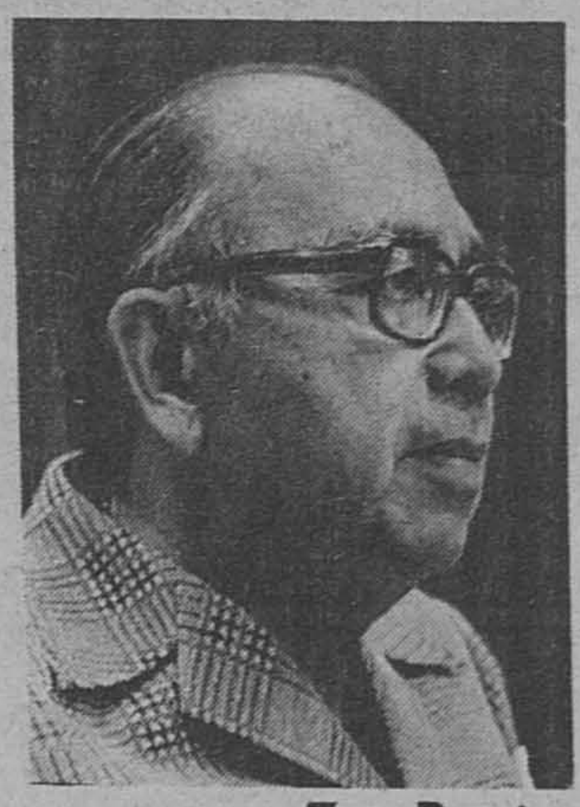
New ways to fight stagflation

Statement from Tun Razak 'in a day or two'



Tun Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Wednesday.

TUN ABDUL RAZAK will make an important statement "in a day or two" on new measures to ease the people's burden in this time of stagflation, Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Abdullah Ahmad told the Dewan Rakyat today.

He was winding up the debate on next year's estimates for the Prime Minister's Department.

During the debate, several Opposition members had said that the Government's efforts to help alleviate the people's sufferings were insufficient and ineffective.

Datuk Abdullah replied to these critics. He said: "I am disappointed to hear the comments by the Member from Kota Melaka (Mr. Lim Kit Siang of the DAP) and his colleagues, who appear not to see and do not want to know what is being done by the Government to minimise the people's difficulties in this time of inflation and recession."

He drew attention to repeated statements by the Prime Minister and the Deputy Prime Minister and other Cabinet Ministers on food subsidies, aid in the form of textbooks and fertiliser, tax exemption and other measures.

"Are these measures still not clear to the honourable member?" he asked.

He said it was useless for Opposition members to "raise repeated problems which we all know about."

"We know the problems and the Government has taken and will continue to take measures to alleviate the burden of the rakyat.

"In a day or two, the Prime Minister will make an important statement on this matter and I hope with the cooperation of the people and the Member for Kota Melaka and his colleagues it will go a long way to help them to face the difficult times ahead," he added.

Sincerity

Datuk Abdullah said it would be better for Opposition members to put forward concrete suggestions. The Government needed the cooperation of all to tackle these problems.

NEW STRAITS TIMES THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1974

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BARRIER TO ECONOMIC PROGRESS

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Kepala Batas) that "family planning is not important in Malaysia as the country is rich and has a lot of land."

Datuk Abdullah said uncontrolled rate of population growth, would impede the country's economic and social development in the long run.

Therefore, the national family planning programme had been incorporated in the First and Second Malaysia Plans, and in keeping with the aspirations of the New Economic Policy.

"The Government encourages the people to practise family planning but does not compel those who do not wish to do so," he added.

On Encik Sopiee's suggestion that family planning should only be carried out in the urban areas, he said the programme had been on since 1967. For the rural areas, it began only in early 1971.

"To-date, family planning has not covered all rural areas," he added.

Datuk Abdullah said the Government proposed to take officers from the Malay Administrative Services with a B.A. to be temporary magistrates.

Suitable officers would be given scholarships in law studies for this purpose.

The Government was considering whether to increase the annual intake of 50 students to the Law Faculty of the University of Malaya.

This would, however, depend on the availability of funds.

There were now only nine vacancies for magistrates out of the existing 56 posts. Up to the end of October, there were seven resignations compared with nine for last year.

The Government, he added, was aware of the backlog of cases. However, the shortage of magistrates was not the only cause.

Among the measures taken to overcome the problem were:

- The appointment of more judges. This year alone five new judges had been appointed, including one for Sabah.

Plea by post

- All magistrates and session court presidents had been asked to submit monthly reports to the judges on the number of cases settled and the reasons why others were still pending.
- Amending the Traffic Ordinance, 1958 to empower the police to compound minor traffice offences.
- Allowing people who had committed minor offences to plead guilty by post.
- Recruiting pensioners to be temporary magistrates and improving the service scheme of the judiciary.

On the proposed $4 million Hall of Justice, Datuk Abdullah said the Government had to postpone the project to give priority to more urgent matters.

Datuk Abdullah said for the 1975-76 pilgrims' season flight and shipping bookings with the Pilgrims' Management and Fund Board must be in by next May.

Court backlog

Those who apply after the closing date would find it difficult to get a place. The board, he added, would consider increasing the flights and sailings to the Holy Land.

Datuk Abdullah referred to appeals by MPs that parliamentary staff should be given higher salaries and allowances.

The salaries and allowances for parliamentary staff had been revised with the implementation of the Suffian report from Jan. 1 1970.

The Government felt that the present salary scales and terms of service for parliamentary staff were adequate and comparable with those of other government employees.

"Still," he added, "the Government has announced the setting up of a new Salaries Commission to review the salary scales and terms and conditions of service of all government employees, including those in statutory bodies and local authorities.

"The commission is expected to start work on Jan. 1 and I am sure and confident that the commission will give a fair and thorough study of the salary scales and terms and conditions of service for the parliamentary staff."

MIT to be placed under Education Ministry from '75

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed — The Mara Institute of Technology will be placed under the Education Ministry from next year, Dr. Mahathir Mohamed told the Dewan Rakyat today.

Moving next year's estimates for his Ministry, the Education Minister said the MIT would be given $30.4 million for its operating expenses — $9.6 million more than this year.

The additional money is necessary because there would be more students next year, he said.

The present 6,460-student population will increase to 9,000 next year, including those in the MIT branch campuses in Sabah, Sarawak and Perlis.

MIT's role

The institute will get $2.37m for equipment and hostel facilities.

Dr. Mahathir said the MIT played an important role in the nation's development. Malaysia, he said, needed more technicians to "balance the ratio between them and university graduates."

The Ministry would study MIT's expansion to ensure that the aim of its establishment would not be jeopardised when it came under the education Minister, he added.

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NEW STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1974

Tun tells Umno leaders of new master plan

Green Book for vast food drive

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. – Tun Abdul Razak announced today a Master Plan – the Green Book – for massive production of food and daily necessities to minimise the people's hardship caused by stagflation.

In his keynote address opening the special Umno assembly here, the Prime Minister also condemned students who demonstrated against alleged starvation among certain sections of the people in Peninsular Malaysia.

Tun Razak called the meeting, held at Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka, to explain the present situation in the country and tell party leaders of their role in helping the Government find solutions.

Just as the Red Book system is for rural development, the Green Book system is for the massive effort to produce food and daily necessities.

State Governments and officials at district level will also be required to prepare specific programmes for implementation from time to time.

Tun Razak, who is Umno president, told the 500 Umno leaders at the meeting that at kampung level, the kampung development committee had to furnish up-to-date information on land utilisation.

All other sectors involved in the programme would be required to report whether projects in the rural areas had been carried out as planned.

This would ensure a systematic approach and that the projects really benefit the people, particularly those in the rural areas.

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Tun Razak reaffirmed the Government's determination to fulfil its election promises.

The Prime Minister spoke of students who went to the kampungs and instigated the people to demonstrate against the Government on purported grounds of poverty and starvation.

These students were tools of anti-national elements and discredited politicians who were out to disrupt parliamentary democracy to wrest power through unconstitutional means.

He regretted that some students had allowed

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TUN EXPLAINS HOW THE GREEN BOOK SYSTEM WILL WORK

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themselves to be used by these irresponsible groups.

He said the Government had been lenient to students who demonstrated in the past in the hope that they would realise their folly.

However, there remained a small group who stubbornly continued with their bad intentions and aims.

"They deserve to bear the consequences of their wrong-doings. The Government has taken strong actions against those who resorted to illegal means and will continue to take stern action in future."

Tun Razak said a number of lecturers and academic staff had also instigated the students to demonstrate and take the law into their hands.

"Stern action would have to be taken against these people," he warned.

Undesirable incidents like demonstrations reflect the weakness of the party leadership at grassroots level, he said.

It was therefore vital for party leaders to be always on the ground to

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NEW STRAITS TIMES SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1974

Umno top brass at the meeting

TUN ABDUL RAZAK addressing the special Umno meeting at the Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. Behind him are (from left) Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Hamzah, Negri Sembilan Mentri Besar Datuk Mansor Othman, Petronas Chairman Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn, Umno Secretary General Datuk Senu Abdul Rahman, and Selangor Mentri Besar Dato' Harun Idris.

WANITA Umno members at the special meeting. — New Straits Times pictures.

NEW STRAITS TIMES MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1974

PIR KA 2088 335/78.

Demo leaders arrested

By NAJIB ABDUL RAHMAN, JOHN FERNANDEZ and RAJA SULAIMAN

KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. – Almost all the student leaders responsible for demonstrations here over the past few days have been detained in a dawn raid by the police at the Universiti Kebangsaan and University of Malaya campuses, Tun Abdul Razak said tonight.

Speaking to the nation over Radio and TV Malaysia, the Prime Minister asked parents not to worry as the Government would safeguard the interests of the majority of the students and let them concentrate on their studies.

He said this morning's arrests were made with two objectives:

FIRST, to restore peace and to ensure that the illegal actions would not spread and involve other factions which could result in bloodshed and the loss of lives, and

SECOND, the Government wanted to segregate the leaders responsible in these actions from those not involved but were forced to join in.

He said: "I feel sad over the events of the past week. However, as the Prime Minister who heads the Government which has been given a mandate by the people, I will not evade my responsibilities to maintain peace and law and order in the country.

"For 20 years, I have sacrificed my energy, efforts and thoughts for the sake of the nation. I am prepared to sacrifice everything.

"However, I hope such sacrifice will result in the country being peaceful and the people progressive, and enable the poor to achieve their rightful place in the nation.

"As long as the people has trust in my leadership of the Government which has been given their mandate, my colleagues and I will carry out our responsibilities in keeping with the principles of democracy and the Rukunegara and will uphold the Constitution."

The Prime Minister gave details of the demonstrations on

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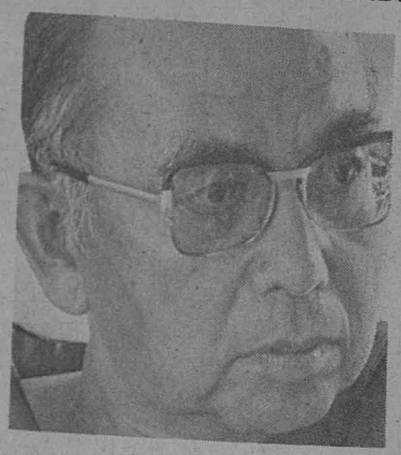

"AS the Prime Minister who heads the Government which has been given a mandate by the people, I will not shirk my responsibilities to maintain peace and law and order in the country... we have sent students to institutes of higher learning not for the purpose of organising demonstrations but for them to study and acquire knowledge to become useful citizens... the Government has spent millions of dollars on education for our students and does not intend to see so much of the people's money wasted."

— Tun Abdul Razak. Full text of his address on Page 23.

NEW STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1974

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Selangor to get $50m more: Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon.—The Federal Government has approved the payment of $50 million more to Selangor as part of the compensation for the takeover of the Federal Territory area, Tun Abdul Razak said today.

The money would be paid next year. The State had already received $120 million of the $200 million advance to help develop Shah Alam.

Tun Razak told reporters that there was no question of the Government not fulfilling its promise to the State.

The problems

The development of Shah Alam would be continued despite the current inflationary trend in the country, he said after meeting the State's Exco members and National Front MPs and Assemblymen here.

Selangor, he said, was facing a housing problem and the State Government had agreed to step up its low-cost housing programme.

"It is now agreed that the State will go into pre-fabricated housing, and there is a possibility that the Selangor Development Corporation will set up a company for this."

On his meeting with Front representatives, Tun Razak said it was part of his move to meet all party Exco members, MPs and Assemblymen to discuss problems involving administration and the party.

More visits

It was also aimed at discussing the role of representatives in ensuring that development projects were properly carried out and promises fulfilled.

He said that department heads should also make more frequent visits to kampungs and outlying areas to see that the administrative machinery was functioning smoothly.

"There have been problems in the past because of the lack of supervision at ground level and it is now imperative that not only elected representatives but also senior Government officers visit kampungs more frequently.

Land sales

"Delays in departments such as Transport, National Registration and Land can be overcome if senior officers supervise work more closely."

Tun Razak said one recurring problem concerned land and the Mentris Besar had taken over the administration of land.

"Wherever possible, integrated land development programmes should be introduced to ensure success."

Individual development could lead to failures and to unproductive use because of temptation to sell the land when the price was high, he added.

Tun Razak at yesterday's meeting with Mentri Besar Dato Haji Harun Idris and State Secretary Dato Alwi Jantan.

Tun Razak also chaired a meeting of Government officers involved in national development.

Agriculture and National Rural Development Minister Encik Abdul Ghafar Baba, his deputy, Encik Mokhtar Hashim, and several secretaries-general from related Ministries attended the meeting.

The meeting, discussed the planning, preparation and implementation of projects under the Green Book system.

At a special Umno assembly on Friday, Tun Razak announced the Green Book system for massive production of food and daily necessities to minimise the effects of stagflation.

Red book

The system required State Governments and district officials to prepare specific programmes for implementation from time to time.

The system is similar to that of the Red Book for rural development.

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NEW STRAITS TIMES WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1974

$250,000 for MTUC building fund

TUN Razak hands a cheque for $250,000 from the Government to MTUC president, Mr. Yeoh Teck Chye at the Prime Minister's office yesterday.

The donation, for the MTUC's building fund, was promised by the Prime Minister when he inaugurated MTUC's silver jubilee celebrations at the opening of its extension building on the first of May.

Others in the picture are (from right) Mr. S.J.H. Zaidi, Mr. P.P. Narayanan, Mr. T. Narendran and Mrs. John Gurusamy (partly hidden) all MTUC officials.

Go-ahead for workers' bank from Razak

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. — Tun Abdul Razak told the MTUC today to go ahead with its plans to set up a workers' bank.

Official sanction was given for the bank in May this year, and a joint Government-MTUC committee was appointed to work out the details.

The committee met a few times but because of the slow progress the MTUC raised the matter at a meeting with the Prime Minister in his office this afternoon.

MTUC secretary-general, Mr. S.J.H. Zaidi said after the meeting that Tun Razak was appreciative of the union's concern over the delay.

"He told us that we can go ahead immediately with our preparations to raise capital, arrange training programmes for staff and to acquire a suitable building.

"The Prime Minister made it very clear that the Government supported a workers' bank with capital from workers, trade unions and co-operatives.

"The Government did not want a situation where the bank would fall into the hands of people other than for whom it is intended for.

"We assured him that this was our aim too and that it will always remain with workers," Mr. Zaidi added.

The MTUC delegation, led by its President, Mr. Yeoh Teck Chye, discussed specific labour problems with the Prime Minister for nearly two hours.

The MTUC also raised the question of amendments to the labour laws which unions have been seeking for some time.

"Our proposals were received with understanding and we are hopeful that positive action will be taken to remedy the situation," said Mr. Zaidi.

Another issue discussed was the proposed increase in EPF contributions which the Government has accepted in principle.

San Choon's task

The delegation was told that details of the proposals will be worked out in the National Joint Labour Advisory Council which will meet shortly.

The delegation expressed concern that attempts by unions in statutory bodies and local authorities to form a federation have not been successful.

"Tun Razak was sympathetic and directed the Labour Minister, Datuk Lee San Choon, who was present, to discuss the matter with the MTUC to iron out any difficulty," Mr. Zaidi added.

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Tun to visit Kuwait next month

KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. — Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak will make an official three-day visit to Kuwait in January.

Kuwaiti Ambassador to Malaysia, Mr. Taalat Yaacoub Al-Ghossen, said today relations between the two countries would be greatly strengthened by Tun Razak's visit.

Discussions on economic and cultural exchanges are expected to be held during the visit, he told reporters at the airport before leaving for Tokyo, where he is resident Ambassador.

Mr. Taalat said his country would readily assist Malaysia in the oil industry by providing technical expertise.

He would try to get more Kuwaiti businessmen to invest in Malaysia.

Mr. Taalat was here to present his credentials. — Bernama.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1974

Razak: Duty of all to grow more food

SEREMBAN, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak said today that every district in the country must be able to produce its own food to stamp out inflation.

He stressed that every individual, especially in the rural areas, must see to it that as much food as possible is produced.

Speaking to reporters after meeting heads of departments, Exco members, National Front MPs and State Assemblymen at the State Operations Room here, Tun Razak said as a matter of principle all must try to produce whatever they can themselves and be able to stand on their own feet.

Tun Razak said the main objective of the Green Book was to serve the rural people and see that they have enough food.

He had also directed heads of departments to streamline their efforts in dealing with the public and getting things done.

The Prime Minister said he had received complaints from the public, especially from kampung people, on land matters, services provided by the various Government departments and corruption.

He reminded the public not to encourage corrupt practices in the country. "If there were no givers of bribes, there would be no takers." he said.

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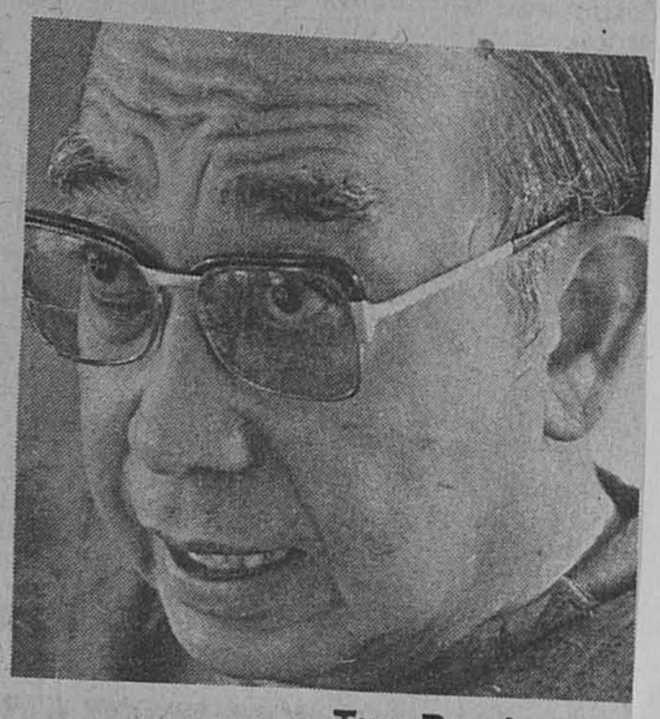

Tun Razak

Razak gives the green light

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Tun Razak expressed satisfaction with the development in Negri Sembilan and gave the green light to the State Government to go ahead with plans for integrated development.

The Prime Minister assured the state of financial backing from the Federal Government for all viable projects.

Tun Razak also said that the Mentri Besar, Datuk Mansor Othman, had told him that the sugar factory at Ayer Hitam (near Bahau) will start its first trial production run on Dec. 20.

He advised the State Government to concentrate on group schemes as the state was short of land — having only 60,000 acres left for development.

Tun Razak, accompanied by Tengku Datuk Shariman, the Director-General of the Implementation/Coordination Development Administration of the Prime Minister's Department, was met on arrival at Berenang this morning by the Mentri Besar and State Secretary Encik Saffian Majid.

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'RED ATTACK WON'T HOLD UP WORK'

Dam workers get pledge on safety

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Tun Abdul Razak has assured the National Electricity Board that steps will be taken to improve security arrangements in the Temenggor Dam project area which was attacked by Communist terrorists on Monday.

NEB General Manager Encik Abu Zarim bin Haji Omar said this today after briefing a group of MPs, including the Minister of Power, Technology and Research, Encik Mohamed Yaacob, at the board's head office in Jalan Bangsar.

Encik Abu Zarim said work had been suspended and the contractors were being temporarily housed in Grik.

He told the MPs that the NEB was trying its best to implement projects to meet energy requirements for the next decade.

Encik Abu Zarim said the Soviet survey team on the Tembeling dam project in Pahang had completed its study and had submitted a report to the NEB.

The NEB would submit the recommendations to the Government early next year. He added that the Tembeling project seemed viable.

The report

Encik Abu Zarim also briefed the MPs on other projects of the NEB, including the Sungei Trengganu project. An Australian team was now making the feasibility stud[illegible]

A Canadian team is carrying out feasibility studies on two other hydro electric projects, at Bersia and Kenering on the Perak River.

On the Tunku Jaafar Power Station in Port Dickson, he said the first of the three new generators would be commissioned by November next year.

After the briefing, the MPs saw a film show titled "Power for Progress".

They were later taken on a tour of the building and entertained to lunch.

In IPOH, the State Secretary, Encik Ishak Tadin, said: "It is the intention of the Government to resume the work (on the Temenggor dam) as soon as possible."

Encik Ishak, who is also the chairman of the state security committee, added that a meeting with the Japanese personnel engaged in the $250 million project would be held shortly.

He said that terrorist attacks on development projects have made the workers more determined to complete the projects successfully.

The workers in the nearby east-west highway project, he said, were even putting in longer working time than ever before.

Security forces are still combing the dam site area for the band of about 12 terrorists who killed Mrs. Ayukawa, wife of a Japanese executive officer, and a driver, Encik Mohamed Sanusi bin Yaakub, in Monday's attack.

According to sources a security force member was injured by booby traps in the follow-up operations on Tuesday.

The terrorists opened fire with automatic weapons from high ground on the small "Japanese settlement" which has sprung up in the jungle, about a mile from the site of the dam.

The settlement consists of 25 units of medium-sized timber bungalows, three blocks of barrack-type houses, and a canteen.

Clustered near the foot of a hill, they are home to the 66 Japanese staff members of the Hazama-Gumi construction company which is building the giant dam.

About 20 of them have brought their families to stay there until 1977 when the project is scheduled to be completed.

It was at these houses at which the terrorists fired, killing Mrs. Ayukawa in her kitchen, and injuring her domestic help, Cik Rohayah binti Yahaya, 16.

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VIP welcome for King and Queen

THE Yang Dipertuan Agung and the Raja Permaisuri Agung, flanked by Tun Abdul Razak and Toh Puan Rahah, walking to meet VIPs at Subang airport yesterday after Their Majesties returned from their State visit to Bangladesh, India and Pakistan.

Their Majesties were given a full ceremonial welcome on their return.

Behind them are Datuk Ghani Gilong the Minister for Transport and Works, who accompanied Their Majesties as Minister-in-attendance, and his wife. — New Straits Times picture.

Sunday Times, December 15, 1974

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Campaign to strengthen community relations

PENANG, Sat. — Tun Abdul Razak will launch the national community relations programme on Dec. 19, National Unity Board chairman Tun V. T. Sambanthan said here today.

Tun Sambanthan is on a one-day visit to Penang to discuss with Chief Minister Dr. Lim Chong Eu the programme to be implemented in urban areas.

Tun Sambanthan said the programme was to encourage people try to solve local problems.

"It is a two-way traffic," the Minister said. "We will do the groundwork to bring about rapport between the people and the authorities and through it, a link between Government and the public."

The programme will be launched in several towns with Penang as one of the States to be involved in the plot project.

The programme in the urban areas will complement and supplement the kampung development programmes which are being extended to new villages and estates.

Tun Sambanthan said he felt there existed at present a gap between the people and the authorities.

We feel that at local level, there can be greater dialogue and more get-togethers," he said.

NEW STRAITS TIMES MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1974

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FOOD PLAN: A CALL TO WOMEN

KUALA LUMPUR, Saturday

TUN ABDUL RAZAK today called on women to make the Green Book Plan a success. "We want women to be active in all fields which can benefit the nation."

He believed that if everyone followed the plan, "we will be able to surmount the economic pressures facing us."

Once the plan is successful, there would not only be enough food for the people but other countries facing food shortages could also be helped.

Character shaping

Tun Razak was speaking at the closing ceremony of the silver jubilee celebrations of Wanita Umno at Sultan Sulaiman Club here.

Women had been given a high and appropriate position in the country by the Government and it was up to them to safe guard it, he said.

In the home, women too had a stro influence over men and could get ther step up their effort in nation building.

They could also encourage them to be thrifty and save for a rainy day or invest their money in trade or industry.

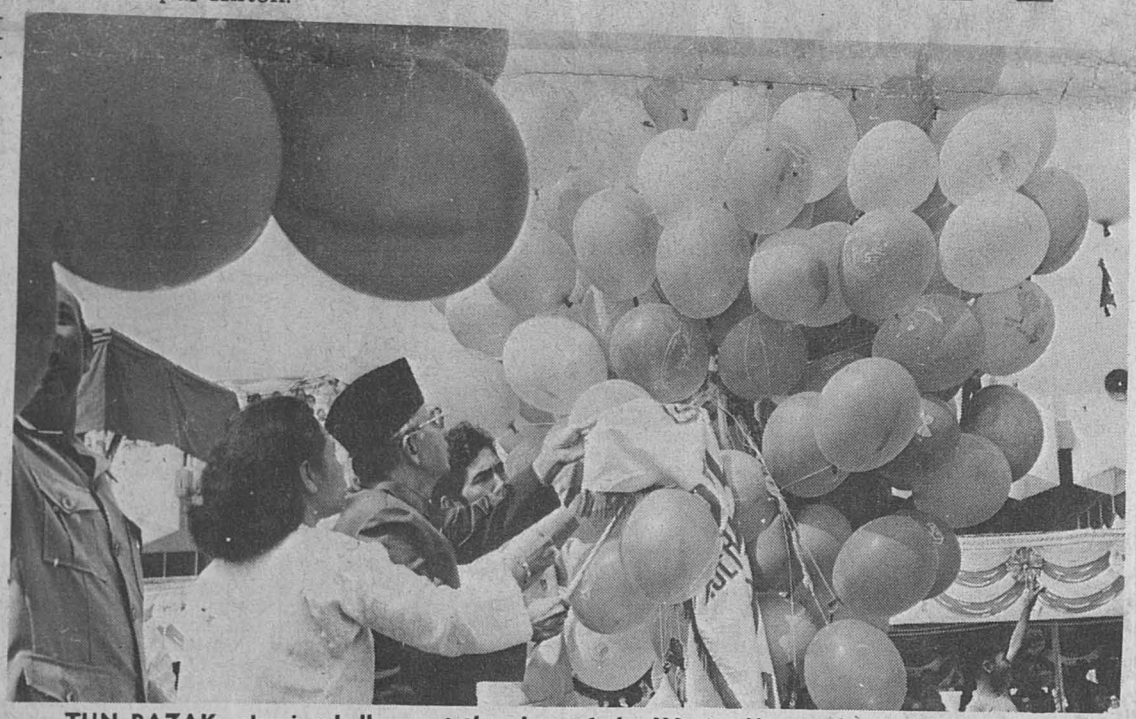
Tun Razak also spoke of the important role women played in shaping the character of their children.

The people's progress depended on guidance given to them.

"If we want the Malaysian society to be one which is strong, progressive and disciplined, then it is essential that we have families which are progressive, healthy and disciplined."

Tun Razak paid tribute to women for their contributions to the nation.

They had stood alongside the men in the struggle for Indepen- and had helped to



TUN RAZAK releasing balloons at the close of the Wanita Umno silver jubilee celebrations yesterday. — New Sunday Times picture.

Agencies get the order to work together

KUALA LUMPUR, Saturday.

WORK together to increase the pace of bumiputra participation in commerce and industry.

Tun Abdul Razak gave this order to Pernas, Mara and UDA today.

It was important that the three organisations co-ordinated their activities because they had similar roles to play, the Prime Minister said at Pernas' fifth anniversary dinner at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton.

He said that as a modern business organisation, Pernas should always co-ordinate its activities with other Government agencies having the same policies and objectives.

He said that Pernas, with the recent venture into advertising and public relations with the Tourist Development Corporation, MAS and PTM Thompson, now had full participation in the country's commerce and industry.

Praise

Pernas has 35 subsidiaries in business.

Tun Razak said he was satisfied with Pernas' activities. It was respected in the rural areas and business circles.

He had special praise for Pernas Engineering and Pernas Trading which had played a major role in establishing trade relations with China.

He thanked Tengku Razaleigh for successfully heading the organisation for the past five years.

He also thanked firms like Plessey, Sime Darby and Goodyear for backing Pernas' projects and hoped they would continue to do so.

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New Year order for green acres

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Operation Good Earth is on. A "New Year Revolution" (in his own words) was launched by Tun Abdul Razak today for the massive production of food and daily essentials to combat stagflation.

The Revolution will spring from the Green Book Plan, with this order-of-the-day from the Prime Minister: Action, total involvement, no moans, no groans, and hard work from all.

The plan has been given highest priority, he told reporters at his Operations Room.

Two million idle acres will be brought into use, as part of achieving the objectives of food self-sufficiency, increasing the earnings of the rural folk, and gearing development efforts towards full efficiency.

"I am going to drive everyone hard," Tun Razak said, "and the people must also be prepared to work, for prosperity depends on their collective efforts."

Officers concerned with implementation of the plan have to be totally involved and must stop other, less pressing, activities, he said. "I will direct District Officers stop being active in such work as the Red Cross or St. John's.

"Let the others, like JPs and Datuks, worry about voluntary work."

"Officers who are involved will be required to attend regular meetings of up to two or three times a week 'If it is necessary, we will direct them to hold daily 'morning prayers' to keep up with the process of the programme."

Government officers and elected representatives should act positively, and stop pouring out their problems to visiting Ministers.

"We are not interested in arm-chair critics and those who waste their time talking. The time has come for us to act. I am not prepared to listen to anyone who wants to talk before giving the Green Book Plan a try.

"Everyone must play his part. No one should be allowed to fold his arms.

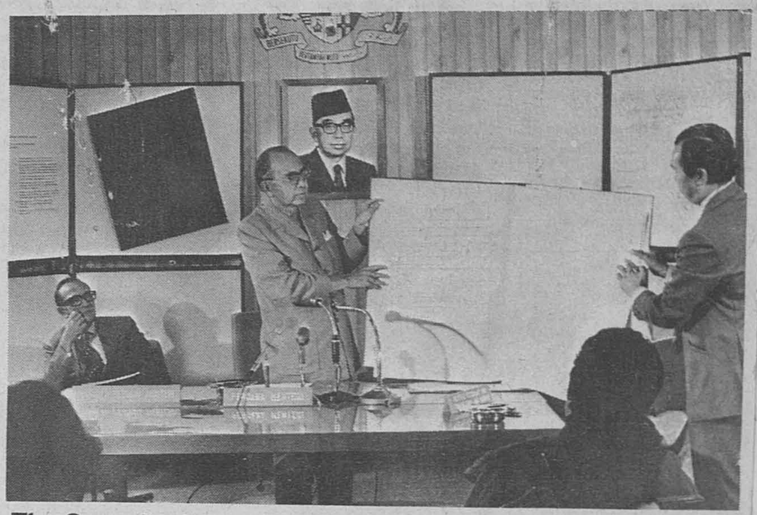
The Prime Minister said the implementation of the Plan lies in the maximum use of rural efforts and potential, and co-ordinated agriculture production to ensure maximum gain.

This is how the plan will be carried out:

1 THE immediate creation of development policies and strategies at Federal, State and district levels to ensure that the aim and objectives are achieved;

2 FULL concentration of Government machinery production and marketing activities of rural produce; and

3 ORGANISING the rural people and channelling their efforts through Kampung Development Committees, farmers' associations, co-operatives, youth orangisations and agriculture agencies to step up agricultural productivity.



The Green Book introduced by Tun Razak yesterday... aided by Community Development Director Encik Ali Esa.

RAZAK: ACTION— AND HARD WORK FOR ALL

The start

Tun Razak said the National Action Council of which he is the chairman, will be responsible at the top for checking on the progress of the Plan, with Implementation, Co-ordination, Development Administrative Unit of his department acting as the secretariat, working closely with the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and other agencies.

The officers are expected to get cracking from Jan. 1, Tun Razak said.

Under the plan, all kampungs will have green boards showing the progress of the plan in their areas, and other information such as the acreage of land not worked on, land fully and partially used, and land not suitable for agriculture.

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Tun and Cabinet to make sure all goes well

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Each district will be required to furnish monthly progress reports to the State authorities, which would then send them to the Council.

Tun Razak stressed that the monthly reports sent to his Council must tally with the progress in the field.

Spot checks will be made by Tun Razak and his Cabinet colleagues and Deputy Ministers two months after each district receives and completes the entry of its plans into the Book, to ensure that progress reports and actual work accomplished do tally.

Entries into the Green Book must include short-term and long-term programmes to be undertaken, and details of cereals, vegetables and other food-stuff to be planted, distribution channels, production costs and progress reports.

Tun Razak warned that the Government would take stern action against those who are given land but who do not work it. The land may be taken back, he said.

Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn, Agriculture and Rural Development Minister Encik Abdul Ghafar Baba, Home Minister Tan Sri Ghazali Shafie, Information and Special Functions (Foreign Affairs) Minister Tengku Ahmad Rithauddeen, and director-general of the Implementation, Co-ordination and Development Administration Unit Tunku Datuk Shahriman, attended Tun Razak's press conference.

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Hoping for a chess champ of our own

Tun Razak presenting the Asian Chess Team Championship challenge trophy, which he donated, to Philippines team manager F. Campomanes.

PENANG, Fri.—Tun Abdul Razak expressed the hope today that Malaysia would one day be able to produce an international chess master.

"The Philippines, Indonesia, India, Australia and New Zealand have their own grandmasters. But Malaysia still lacks one," he said.

The Prime Minister was speaking at the closing of the first Asian chess championship at Dewan Sri Pinang here, marking the conclusion of the Golden Jubilee celebrations of FIDE, the world chess federation.

Tun Razak presented to the Philippines the Asian chess team championship challenge trophy which he had donated and dedicated "to every chess player in Asia, and also to world peace."

Mr. F. Campomanes, manager of the champion team and a deputy president of FIDE, received the trophy on behalf of the Philippines.

Keen interest

Mr. Tan Chin Nam, president of the Malaysian Chess Federation, said the championship — the first in Asia — had generated tremendous interest in the country, particularly among chess enthusiasts.

If a greater number of youths in the country could be persuaded to take a greater interest in the game, they could be kept off the streets and away from anti-social pursuits like drug-taking.

Prof. Dr. Max Euwe, president of FIDE, predicted 35 years would suffice for Asian countries to improve their standard of performance.

"Chess originated in Asia, and Asians have a natural talent for it," he said.

With China's entry, the World Chess Federation now covered the whole world, Prof. Euwe said.

He paid tribute to the Malaysian Chess Federation and the Government for organising simultaneously the first Asian chess championship, the FIDE seminar and bureau meeting.

"The organisation of these three activities here is among the best I have ever seen," Dr. Euwe said.

Tun Razak described chess as "a battle of the fittest — the triumph of strength over weakness."

"In its ultimate analysis, it is a victory of brains over brawns," he said.

World peace

Although chess originated in Asia, the Fischer-Spassky contest brought home the point that Asians had been left far behind and that some urgent steps must be taken to redress the situation.

"It is, therefore, an honour and a source of pride for me and for Malaysia to donate this trophy which we dedicate to every chess player in Asia, and also to world peace," the Prime Minister said.

"With this first contest I hope there will be renewed interest and enthusiasm in the game, so that chess will be made popular to every man and woman of every age, especially the young."

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Razak at captain's wedding

CAPT. Abdul Ghafir bin Haji Abdul Hamid of the Royal Malay Regiment had VIP guest at his wedding reception in Kuala Lumpur recently.

Among his well-wishers were Tun Razak, Toh Puan Hajjah Rahah (left) and Datin Suhaila (right), the wife of Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn.

Capt. Abdul Ghafir is the Aide-de-Camp to the General Officer Commanding Peninsular Malaysia, Maj.-Gen. Mohamed Ghazali bin Datu Seth.

His bride, Cik Faridah is the daughter of Encik Ibrahim bin Mohamed Noor, director of the Special Branch.

NEW STRAITS TIMES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1974

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Tun to open copter training school

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. —Tun Abdul Razak will open the Royal Malaysian Air Force helicopter training school on Friday at the RMAF base here.

The school will use six Bell 47G and seven Alouette III trainers.

It will also have several Cessna 402B aircraft for specialised training.

The school to be staffed by 13 Malaysian instructors, will take 12 students initially.

Each year, two batches of 12 students each will be trained.

About 60 per cent of the annual intake are expected to pass their tests and examination.

RMAF helicopter pilots have been trained with the help of a private company. The contract with this company expires this month.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1974

Tun Razak visits one of the hangars at the RMAF base at Butterworth.

Room for all at B'worth air base, says Razak

BUTTERWORTH, Mon. — The air base here has room for both Malaysian and Australian air forces, Tun Abdul Razak said today.

"There will be space for everyone, even after Malaysia takes delivery of the new Northrop F-5E Tiger fighter jets next year," he said.

Australia has two Mirage fighter squadrons based in Butterworth, and shares the air base with one RMAF Sabre jet squadron and one squadron of helicopters.

Tun Razak, who visited the base today, said the Royal Australian Air Force would not withdraw its Mirages from Butterworth.

Tun Razak said Malaysia's Sabre jets would be phased out when the F-5E jets arrive from the U.S. "We are now in the transitional stage, between the subsonic and supersonic ages.

Malaysia has 10 Sabres — given by Australia in 1969 — in the No.11 (Sabres) Squadron, RMAF. The aircraft have a speed of about 650 mph, just below the speed of sound, and a combat radius of 300 miles.

Sixteen F-5 jets — Malaysia's first supersonic aircraft — have been ordered from the U.S. — two F-5B twin-seater trainer aircraft expected early next year, and the rest, F-5Es, by early 1976.

The F-5E Tiger, made by Northrop Corporation, is a single-seater

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Well done, Razak tells the RMAF

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twin-jet light tactical fighter capable of a maximum speed of Mach 1.6 (about one and a half times the speed of sound) and with a maximum range of about 2,300 miles.

Asked whether the presence of the Australian base would fit into the concept of a neutral South-East Asia, Tun Razak said neutrality would still be "a long way ahead."

"The concept is still in its formative stage. At present there are also foreign bases in the other Asean countries."

Tun Razak said Australia's assistance and advice had been very useful to Malaysia.

Tun Razak said the RMAF here had done well in providing air support to border operations.

The Prime Minister and Toh Puan Rahah were met on their arrival by the Chief of Air Staff, Air Vice-Marshall Datuk Suleiman Sujak.

He was briefed by the commanding officer of

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