

SPEECH BY THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER  
ON THE SUPPLEMENTARY SUPPLY BILL AT  
THE DEWAN RAKYAT ON 20TH JUNE, 1961

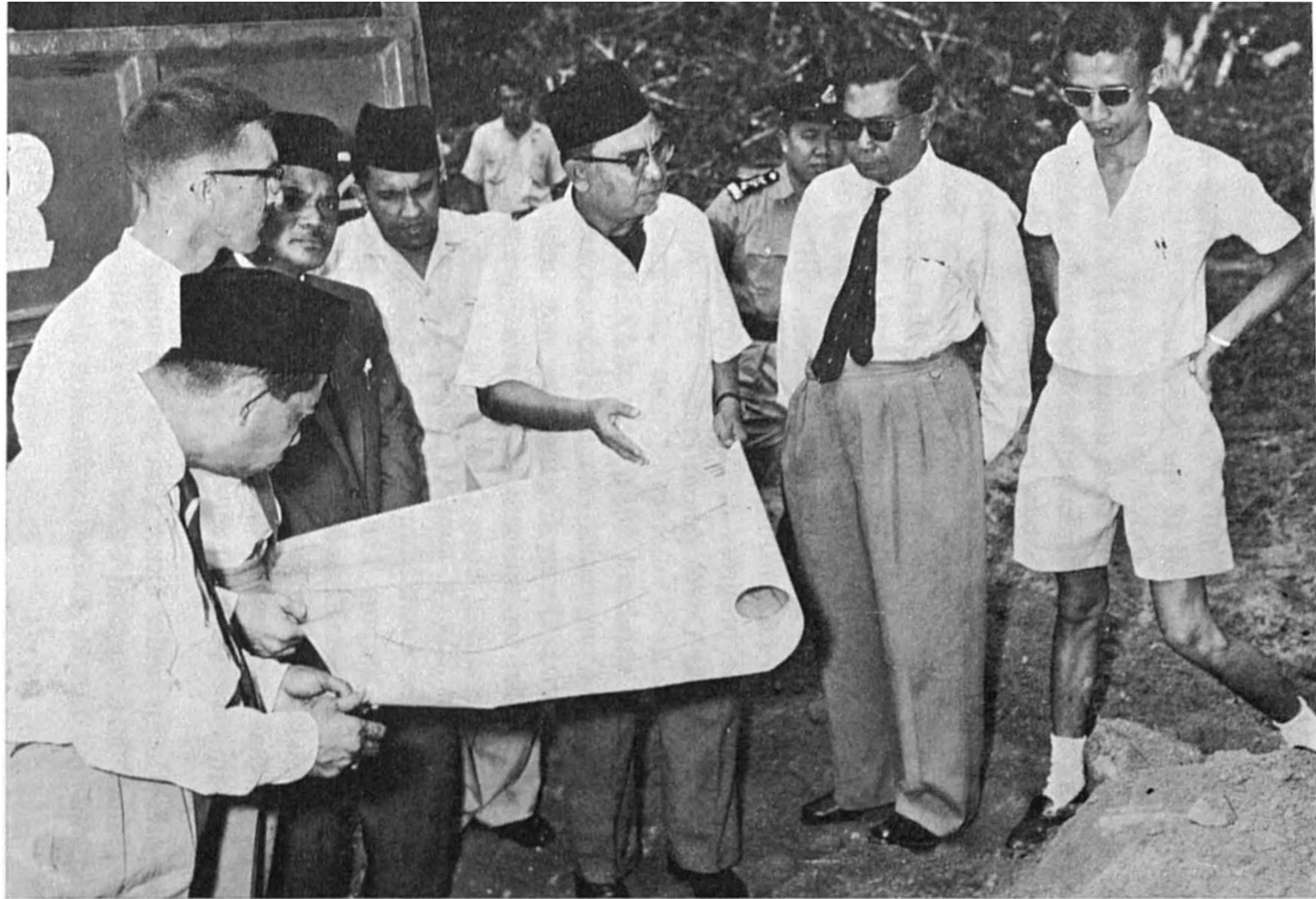
Mr Speaker, Sir, I beg to move that Head S. 7, Prime Minister, totalling \$534,881 stand part of the Schedule.

Sir, under Head S. 7, sub-head 1, a sum of \$134,479 is required for the reorganisation of the Economic Secretariat of the Prime Minister's Department. It has now been decided that the Economic Secretariat should be reorganised and become an Economic Planning Unit. This is necessary, Sir, in view of the Second Five-Year Development Plan which has just been launched. It is necessary to have a proper organisation not only for planning but also for keeping a watching brief on the progress of the various development projects. This new organisation will come directly under my ministerial responsibility, and will be largely responsible for looking after the progress of the development projects under the Second Five-Year Development Plan.

Now, Sir, under sub-head 18, a sum of \$7,500 is required for the Annual Quran Competition. As the House is aware, this year we held the Annual Quran Competition not only for internal competition but also for overseas and it was a great success.

Under sub-head 25A, a sum of \$80,000 is required for our contribution for the establishment of a United Nations Regional Office in Kuala Lumpur. The United Nations requested that a Regional Office be established in Kuala Lumpur for this part of South-East Asia, and it considered, in the interests of the Federation, that the head office should be in Kuala Lumpur rather than in some other place.

The other items under Other Charges are minor items and they are explained in Command Paper No. 26 of 1961. I do not think I need add any further to the explanation given there.



**Tun Abdul Razak sedang menyatakan sesuatu mengenai peta pembinaan jalan baru di Parit Sulong/Peserai ketika lawatan beliau di Daerah Batu Pahat, Johor pada 29hb Jun, 1961. (Gambar Jabatan Penerangan Malaysia).**