

What Dr M said about Proton and Mahaleel

The chairman mentioned something about head-hunting (for a new CEO). Maybe this is in Sarawak. I am not sure whether they have given up headhunting in Sarawak.



I do not have any interest in Proton. I do not receive a single sen as its adviser. If my son received a small number of APs (95) to import the Porsche, it fulfilled the conditions. To sell 50 cars of this model is not easy. Don't do it like before, linking my family whenever something that should not be done happens.

He is not told why he was offered inferior terms. When we serve in government after many years of experience, we get increases in pay. But here, according to him, the terms offered to him were inferior. It is almost like a demotion.

I don't know if you can assume that Tengku Mahaleel has failed. While he has been running the company for more than seven years, and during that time, the company had been profitable despite all the APs (Approved Permits).

We have seen foreigners running Nissan and doing very well. Actually Malaysians are not very capable and we should get foreigners, including to run our country. I mean we can have a foreigner as Prime Minister, why not, if he has the brains.

Mahaleel was sad but he did not cry. Other people might have cried. He is very manly. He is not an engineer. He is a historian. How he managed to convince people how he could run Proton for seven years and make money, I don't know.