

# Tajudin



# bombshell

## 'MAHATHIR AND DAIM DIRECTED ME TO BUY MAS SHARES'

**F**aced with a **RM589 million** suit by Danaharta, one-time corporate high-flyer **Tan Sri Tajudin Ramli** has **counter-sued** for **RM13.46 billion** and also drops the following **bombshell** in a court document:

- » He was directed by former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad and former finance minister Tun Daim Zainuddin to buy shares in MAS to help Bank Negara recover from foreign exchange losses in 1994
- » He was at all times only a nominee/agent of the government in MAS
- » He was assured repeatedly by Mahathir and Daim that he would not suffer any losses or be held liable for anything arising from his purchase of the MAS shares.
- » The transaction was a national service but was disguised as an arm's length commercial deal because the government wanted it that way to appease the investment community and the public
- » He was asked to keep this special arrangement a secret, He is telling all now because the government did not honour the agreement