

PM: High time 1970s-era police quarters upgraded

KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has instructed the Home Ministry to finish upgrading the police quarters here by the end of the year.

In his speech at the 217th Police Day celebration here yesterday, Anwar said the Finance Ministry was allowing the Home Ministry to speed up the tender process.

“Police are fighting digital and commercial crime, but their offices (and quarters) are from the 1970s. So I’m giving way to the Home Ministry to speed up the tender process.

“The upgrading should be done by the end of the year. If not, the home minister and chief secretary to the government have to answer to me.”

Later, Home Minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution Ismail



Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim presenting an award to a policeman at the 217th Police Day celebration in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. With him is Home Minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution Ismail. BERNAMA PIC

said police had received a RM98.7 million allocation to improve their working environment and accommodation.

He said it was important to create a conducive environment to boost the morale and motivation of police officers.

On another matter, he said there were plans to set up new contingent headquarters in Penang, Perak, Kelantan and Pahang. He said there would also be new district headquarters in Kapit, Sarawak, and in Padang Besar, Perlis.

Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Razarudin Husain ex-

pressed gratitude to the government for the allocation.

Present were Deputy Home Minister Datuk Seri Shamsul Anuar Nasarah, Deputy Inspector-General of Police Datuk Seri Ayob Khan Mydin Pitchay, Chief Justice Tun Tengku Maimun Tuan Mat and Attorney-General Datuk Ahmad Terrirudin Mohd Salleh.

Armed Forces chief General Tan Sri Mohammad Ab Rahman, Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Mohd Zuki Ali and Public Service Department director-general Datuk Seri Wan Ahmad Dahlan Abdul Aziz were also in attendance.