

***Tanda Putera* Showcases Tun Razak's Role To Restore Peace**
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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 9 (Bernama) -- The RM4 million film *Tanda Putera* showcases second Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak Hussein's role in restoring peace to Malaysia after the May 13, 1969 racial unrest.

It also reveals his close friendship with his deputy Tun Dr Ismail Abdul Rahman and how both kept their ill health secret and worked shoulder-to-shoulder to develop the nation.

Abdul Razak died on Jan 14, 1976 in London while undergoing treatment for leukemia while Dr Ismail died of a heart attack on Aug 2, 1973 in his office.

Persona Pictures Sdn Bhd managing-director Datin Paduka Shuhaimi Baba, who also directed the film, said the film was a joint venture with the National Film Development Corporation Malaysia (FINAS).

"The film is 95 per cent ready and will be screened next year. It is hoped that the film can create an awareness in society on the struggles of the two statesmen, " she told reporters after attending a breaking-of-the-fast ceremony here.

Prolific actor Rusdi Ramli was cast in the role of Abdul Razak, Zizan Nin played Dr Ismail while Faezah Elai portrays Tun Razak's wife, Tun Rahah Tan Sri Mohamad Noah.

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