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The Memoirs of Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad

In his 22 years as Prime Minister of Malaysia, Dr Mahathir Mohamad transformed his country from an agricultural backwater into an industrial powerhouse that would become the 17th-largest trading nation in the world.

This remarkable achievement was not without controversy, and Dr Mahathir's extraordinary vision and iron grip earned him both enemies as well as ardent admirers within and outside Malaysia. He has been described — typically and paradoxically — as a tyrannical dictator, a *bête noir*, as well as an inspiring, courageous and outspoken defender of the downtrodden, the Third World, and moderate Islam.

At almost every turn Dr Mahathir rewrote the rules. This autobiography reveals the workings of that extraordinary mind, which has witnessed every major development in Malaysian history from the Second World War and the MacMichael Treaties, to independence, industrialisation and the making of modern Malaysia, culminating in the political and financial crises of the late 1990s and the challenges of the new millennium.

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