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Tuan-tuan dan Puan-puan.

Ini adalah Mesyuarat Tahunan ke-8 dan yang ke-3 di adakan di kediaman saya. Setiap kali Mesyuarat Tahunan hampir dekat, saya berasa risau sama ada Mesyuarat ini akan berjalan dengan berkorum atau tidak. Pada tahun yang lepas, bilangan ahli-ahli cukup cemas tetapi akhirnya dapat juga berjalan dengan jayanya.

2. Dari pengalaman tahun lepas itu, saya amat gembira melihat ramai ahli-ahli hadir petang ini dan saya ingin ucapkan selamat datang dan penghargaan tinggi khasnya kepada ahli-ahli baru atas kesudian tuan-tuan dan puan-puan melapangkan masa untuk hadir dalam Mesyuarat Tahunan Persatuan kita ini. Saya berharap Mesyuarat ini akan berjalan dengan jayanya dengan kerjasama dari para hadirin.

Members and Friends of the Society,

3. We are indeed very fortunate to begin today's Annual General Meeting by receiving generous contributions for our Building Fund from two agencies:

4. The President of the Malaysian - Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriah Brotherhood Society, Prof. Dr. Mohd. Yusoff Noor, has kindly presented a cheque of \$5000/-. We have to thank Hj. Habibullah for recommending us to the Brotherhood Society to which we are most grateful.

5. Montel Jewellers from Eric White Associates for \$3000/-

6. We would like to believe that presentation of cheques at the beginning of our Annual General Meeting is a good omen for our Society and we sincerely thank our donors for remembering us. The Society has indeed been very fortunate to have received through out 1981 until today direct donations from public and private sectors. The biggest donor last year and this year was again Her World Magazine of Berita Publishing Sdn. Bhd. They contributed \$109,000/- last year and \$70,000/- this year out of proceeds of their Charity Fashion Shows and Dinner.

7. Other agencies, individuals and firms have kindly donated in cash and kind, especially during the preparation for the Charity Dinner and Fashion Show.

8. In the 1981 Annual General Report you will read about our Charity Dinner which successfully netted \$110,000/- under the gracious patronage of Their Royal Highnesses The Sultan of Selangor and Tengku Ampuan. This year, the Royal Danish Ballet was flown in by Hong Leong Group of Companies for the Societys Charity Show. It netted \$125,000/- of its two performances, graced on the 1st. night by Their

Majesties the Yang Di Pertuan Agong and Raja Permaisuri Agong. A lot of work was put in during the preparation of both Charity projects and involved a lot of people outside of the Society. I take this opportunity to record our appreciation and thanks to all of them.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

9. As a voluntary organization the Society has to rely solely upon the dedication and willingness of its members to work for the Society. Unlike other organizations serving the disabled people, we have no schools for the disabled to show nor do we have an office for visitors to visit us. Our activities are limited to fund raising, membership drive and publishing news item for members and friends of the Society.

It therefore becomes all the more important for the Society to see a mini factory as a joint-venture effort, materializes early next year.

10. For the past 3 years the Projects Committee has progressed in obtaining the State land at nominal charges and put up fences to prevent squatters from re-occupying the land after they were evicted by the Government. Since this is going to be the first joint effort between a voluntary organization and a private agency, we hope with the support and cooperation from all parties concerned it will materialize and provide employment to the disabled.

11. I would like to end by thanking most sincerely members of the Executive Committee and the Sub Committees who have worked most diligently throughout 1981 and for the past 10 months for the Society. There have been many occasions when they were put to extreme tensions especially during the organization of Charity Dinners and Shows. Most of us are working people, including myself but without pay, but the sharing of works and clear understanding that each one was responsible for a particular jobs made all problems surmountable and my duty as President of the Society less difficult.

12. With your full cooperation, I now wish to begin the Annual General Meeting with our 1st. agenda.

Thank you.