

The UMS students taking their oath.

## UMS welcomes freshies with oath-taking ceremony

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KOTA KINABALU: Undergraduates have been advised not to waste their time in negative activities which violate the law and regulations.

Tan Sri Datuk Abdul Hamid Egoh, the chairman of the board of directors of Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS), said the repercussions would bring shame to their families.

He also urged students to utilise the opportunities provided at higher learning institutions to enhance themselves, adding that they were fortunate to have been chosen from out of thousands others who applied for enrolment in UMS.

"Make full use of all the opportunities available to you to enable yourself to have a better and quality future."

Abdul Hamid also advised the students to foster good relations with other students, their lecturers and staff of the university to benefit from the experience and advantage of interpersonal relations.

The text of Abdul Hamid's speech was delivered by vice chancellor Professor Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah at an 'Aku Janji' oath-taking ceremony by freshies yesterday.

## Don't vote for govt that favours war, says Dr Mahathir

**YOGYAKARTA:** Former Malaysian prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday said people should not elect a government that supports war in an effort to create a more peaceful situation in the world.

The president of the Perdana Global Peace Fund (PGPF) said they should instead choose personalities who would declare war as a crime should their parties were to form a government.

"The change through the people's votes could create countries which would no longer resort to war as a solution to conflicts," he said at a dialogue with Universiti Muhammadiyah students here yesterday.

The dialogue was held after he delivered a paper on "Universal Peace and War Criminalisation: Regional Initiative" in conjunction with the PGPF's War is Crime campaign at the university.

Dr Mahathir also took the opportunity to invite the Muhammadiyah movement and the young people in Indonesia to work together with PGPF in making the world free of war crimes.