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TIME ZONE ADJUSTMENT

During his visit to Singapore, the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Dato Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, informed the Prime Minister of Singapore that Malaysia had decided to have a common time zone for Malaysia on 1 January 1982 by adjusting the present time of Peninsular Malaysia by half an hour ahead with East Malaysia maintaining its present time.

In view of the many close ties between the peoples and governments of Singapore and Malaysia, and to avoid inconvenience to businessmen and travellers, the government has decided that Singapore will also adjust its present time half an hour ahead on 1 January 1982 so that both countries have a common time zone.

New Year's Day 1982 will begin at 11.30 pm on 31 Dec 81 when all clocks will be set to read 12 midnight. The change will be enacted by Gazette notification by the President under Section 52(2) of the Interpretation Act. The relevant international organisations will be informed.

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