

Further investigations into five UUM lecturers

KUALA LUMPUR: The Government will carry out further investigations on allegations that five Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM) lecturers have been involved in instigating undergraduates to take up *jihad* against the authorities.

Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi said the allegations were the results of an internal probe conducted by the university.

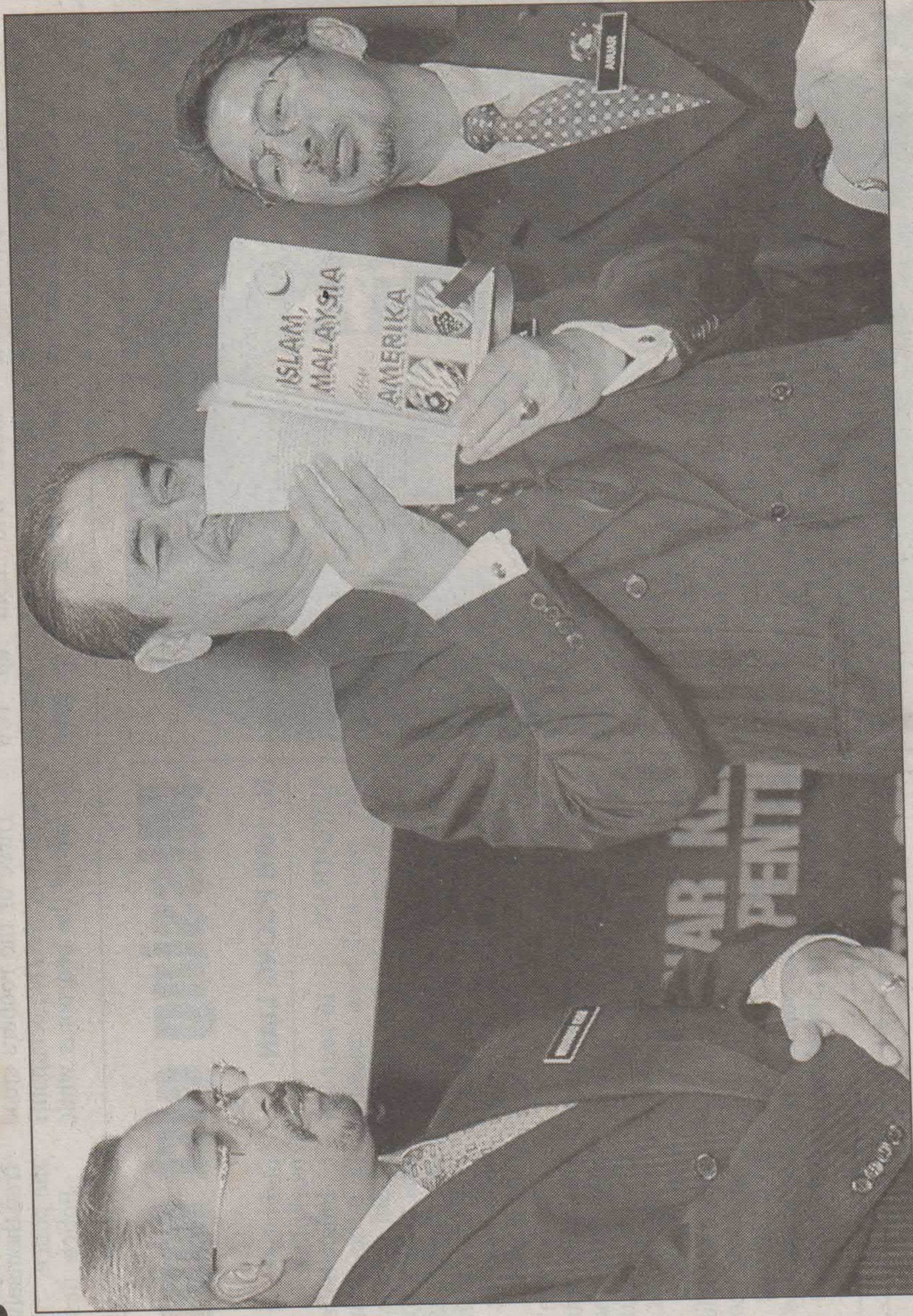
"But on our side, we still have to check out these allegations by letting the police carry out their own investigations.

"If these allegations are proven true, then we can decide on the action to be taken against these lecturers," he told reporters after launching the National Seminar on Civilisational Dialogue at Universiti Malaya here yesterday.

Last Thursday, UUM vice-chancellor Datuk Prof Ahmad Fawzi Mohd Basri had exposed a movement to influence university students to take up *jihad*, including an armed rebellion, against the Government.

On the incidence of juvenile crimes among students, Abdullah said he had spoken to Education Minister Tan Sri Musa Mohamad about his proposal to force schools to report such acts to the authorities or risk action.

"He (Musa) told me there was already a circular on the matter, but he was of the opinion that this should be further updated," he said.



INTERESTING READING ... Abdullah looking through a book on Islam at Universiti Malaya yesterday. Looking on are Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Dr Mohamad Khir Toyo (left) and Universiti Malaya vice-chancellor Datuk Prof Dr Anuar Zaini Md Zain.

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