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Woman wrongly jailed for 10 years gets RM7 mil

SYDNEY: A woman who was found by a court to have been wrongly jailed for 10 years for attempting to kill her husband was awarded A\$2.3 million (RM7 million) compensation, it was reported yesterday.

Roseanne Beckett (pix) was jailed in 1991 for allegedly trying to solicit others to kill her husband Barry Catt. Catt was not killed and testified against her.

Beckett became the state's longest-serving female inmate before she was released in 2001, and her case became a cause celebre for advocates who saw a miscarriage of justice.

In 2005, the charges were quashed after new evidence emerged that she had been framed, but when she tried to sue the government's public prosecutor for malicious prosecution she was told she would have to prove her innocence.

A 10-year court battle ended Monday, 26 years to the day since she was arrested. Supreme Court Justice Ian Harrison overturned a 91-year-old legal precedent requiring her to prove her innocence.

The judge ordered the public prosecutor's office pay her compensation for malicious prosecution. — dpa

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MERDEKA FEVER ...

Army retiree Jaafar Mohd Isa, 53, decorates the compound of his house in Kampung Sayong Tengah, Kuala Kangsar with more than 100 flags and a banner proclaiming 'Malaysia Bersatu Teguh' (Malaysia United and Strong) yesterday.



Vehicle tracker

NEW RFID SYSTEM to monitor traffic, track down criminals

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PUTRAJAYA: A new vehicle security tracking system suitable for all types of vehicles, using Radio Frequency Identification (RFID), will be implemented nationwide by the Road Transport Department (RTD) by 2018. It will allow real-time monitor-

ing of traffic conditions and help police track down criminals.

Deputy Transport Minister Datuk Aziz Kaprawi told *theSun* that the use of RFID technology will herald a new era for vehicle security in Malaysia and could be the answer to combat vehicle theft and cloned vehicle syndicates.

It will also work well with the Works Ministry and Malaysian

Highway Authority's plan to embark on the free flow multi-lanes without the presence of toll plazas.

Suitable even for motorcycles, RFID will feature a "smart code" tag which will be embedded into the road tax sticker.

theSun understands that the RFID tag is designed to shatter should

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