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IN
KUALA LUMPUR
(JALAN TUANKU ABDUL RAHMAN AND JALAN AMPANG)**

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Façade

The word 'façade' comes from the Latin *facies*, face, and has come to mean the main face or elevation of a building as seen from the street or other public place. The elements that are brought together can only be type and be divided into groups relating to wall surface, structure, fenestration and ornamentation. It is still the most essential architecture element and the most capable of communicating the function and significance of a building.¹

1.1 Issues

The issue of this topic is to find out the architecture style applied for building focusing in Kuala Lumpur city as a centre of development in our country Malaysia.

The study is also to gather information about commercial building that ever been built in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. This information later is hopefully to help our citizens more appreciate to our local building.

¹ Ernest Burden, BUILDING FACADES-Faces, Figures, and Ornamental Detail, pg. 118