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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

HOME is the place where ones live permanently as a member of a family or household; the family or social unit occupying such a place; a house or an apartment where something flourishes.

STAY means, the delay living so as to join; to live temporary as guest; a period of staying somewhere in particular of living somewhere temporary as a visitor or guest.

HOMESTAY means, the place where one lives like the locals lead in their daily life whereby staying overnight or few days, months, and years.

This project proposal tends to introduce the one of the ethnic groups that we have in Sabah in the area of Beaufort (western territory of the land below the wind); which lived by the ethnics of *Bisaya-Brunei*.

Home stay had been implemented in Malaysia since the country received its independence and was great success. The government had provided all the necessary support for this business to be expanded and be well known not just among local but mainly for the exposure of the international nations.

Among the activities that had been introduced by the government are listed below; consider as mandatory activities for the student taking undergraduate programs, and holding such activities as the competition of each district's that provide home stay namely, *Pertandingan Ilham Desa Peringkat Desa, Zone dan Kebangsaan* as an annual activities for the year specially for promoting the business.

Such a business was supervised under the Ministry of Culture and Tourism Malaysia to encourage the growth of the country economy and mainly to attract the visits of the tourist in this country.

Through the business of home stay, the ministry had approved more than 25 houses in each zone to be responsible any of the necessary programs regarding home stay activities and currently there are 156 of tourist had been visiting Malaysia in year 2005 alone, which came from Japan, American, Taiwan, Ireland, Australia as well as Singapore.