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KING ATTENDS RULERS' MEETING (with Pix)

KUALA LUMPUR, March 14 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar today attended the 172nd meeting of the Conference of Malay Rulers at Parliament House here.

He was accompanied by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

The two-day meeting which began yesterday was being chaired by Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah of Pahang, the Keeper of the Rulers' Seal said in a statement.

All but the Raja of Perlis and the Sultans of Selangor and Johor were present.

The Raja of Perlis was represented by the Raja Muda, the Sultan of Selangor by the Tengku Bendahara and the Sultan of Johor by the Tengku Mahkota. The Yang Dipertuas Negeri of Sabah, Sarawak, Pulau Pinang and Melaka were also present.

All Menteris Besar and Chief Ministers were present with the exception of Sarawak Chief Minister Tan Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud who was represented by Deputy Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Wong Soon Kai.

Their Royal Highnesses discussed national policies, matters pertaining to Islam and appointments. -- BERNAMA

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