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MAHATHIR ARRIVES HOME AFTER VISIT TO CENTRAL ASIA

KUALA LUMPUR, July 20 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamed arrived home today after a six-day visit to Kyrgyz Republic and Kazakhstan in Central Asia.

Dr Mahathir and his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamad Ali were met on arrival at the Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah International Airport in Subang by Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Chong Kah Kiat and Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Raja Datuk Ariffin Raja Sulaiman.

The chartered Malaysia Airlines aircraft carrying Dr Mahathir and his entourage touched down at 8.20 pm.

Dr Mahathir headed a delegation which included five Ministers, three Menteris Besar, one Chief minister and prominent businessmen.

Among those in the delegation were Economic Advisor to the Government Tun Daim Zainuddin, Foreign Minister Datuk Abdullah Haji Ahmad Badawi, Works Minister Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu, Primary Industries Minister Datuk Seri Dr Lim Keng Yaik, Culture, Arts and Tourism Minister Datuk Sabbaruddin Chik and Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Dr Abdul Hamid Othman.

They spent three days each in Kyrgyz Republic and Kazakhstan. --
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