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MAHATHIR HOLDS TALKS WITH BRUNEI SULTAN

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, April 30 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad this afternoon held talks with Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah at Istana Nurul Iman.

The one-hour meeting took place soon after Dr Mahathir arrived at about 12.15 pm on a visit to strengthen Malaysia-Brunei ties.

The two leaders will have another meeting over dinner at the palace tonight.

Tomorrow morning, Dr Mahathir will end his visit after meeting representatives of the local Malaysian community at the residence of the Malaysian High Commissioner, Haji Salim Hashim, at Perimbi outside the capital.

He is scheduled to leave the sultanate for Pulau Layang-Layang and then to Labuan before returning to Kuala Lumpur in the afternoon. -- BERNAMA
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