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MAHATHIR LEAVES FOR BRUNEI

KUALA LUMPUR, April 30 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad left for Bandar Seri Begawan today for a one-day working visit to Brunei to strengthen bilateral relations.

The Prime Minister is scheduled to hold talks with Sultan Hassanah Bolkiah at the Istana Nurul Iman.

Dr Mahathir will also meet representatives of the Malaysian community in Bandar Seri Begawan at the residence of the Malaysian High Commissioner to Brunei, Haji Salim Hashim, on Wednesday morning before leaving the sultanate for Pulau Layang-Layang and Labuan.

The Prime Minister was sent off at the Sultan Abdul Aziz Airport by his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Abang Abu Bakar Mustapha and senior government officials.

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