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PM INVITES CHINESE PREMIER LI PENG TO VISIT MALAYSIA

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 2 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has extended an invitation to his Chinese counterpart Li Peng to visit Malaysia.

The invitation was handed over to Li Peng by Science, Technology and Environment Minister Datuk Law Hieng Ding during his recent visit to China to attend the China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development (CCICED) meeting.

Law said this to reporters at a post-Cabinet news conference at his office here today.

Dr Mahathir had called on Li Peng in August when he made a four-day working visit to China during which he also addressed the Beijing Dialogue on Malaysia-China Partnership.

Law said Malaysia is one of three developing countries, including India and Indonesia, invited to be a part of the 50-member CCICED meeting which is now in its fifth year.

He said the CCICED was established to promote better environment management in China by getting advice and financial support from other countries. -- BERNAMA

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