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ANWAR BREAKFASTS WITH SOUTH AFRICAN LEADERS

KUALA LUMPUR, July 31 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and wife Datin Seri Dr Wan Azizah Ismail today hosted a breakfast reception for heads of state and government from southern Africa at the Malaysian Technology Park here.

The leaders were visiting the federal capital after attending the 1997 Langkawi International Dialogue (LID '97) which ended yesterday.

They were presidents Sir Ketumile Masire (Botswana), Dr Sam Nujomo (Namibia), Dr B.S. Dlamini (Swaziland).

Vice presidents Prof John Evens Atta Mills (Ghana), J.C. Malewezi (Malawi), Specioza Wandira Kazibwe (Uganda) and Herizo Razafimahaleo (Madagascar).

Prime ministers Dr Abdel Salam Al-Majali (Jordan), Dr Navichandra Rangoolam (Mauritius) and the deputy prime minister of Lesotho, Pakalitha Misisili, were also present.

Malaysian cabinet members present included Science, Technology and Environment Minister Datuk Law Hieng Ding.

Law's deputy Datuk Abu Bakar Daud, and deputy ministers Datuk Azmi Khalid (Housing and Local Government), Datuk Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz (Prime Minister's Department) and Datuk Abdul Kadir Sheikh Fadzir (Human Resources) were also present.

The southern African leaders later attended a briefing by the park's chief executive, Dr Mohamad Salleh Ismail, and visited the site.

They also visited Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) in Serdang, the new federal administrative capital at Putrajaya and the Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) in Sepang, both under construction.

The three-hour tour also took the African leaders to the site of Cyberjaya, the world's first intelligent city.

These are key projects on the Multimedia Super Corridor, a 750 sq km zone south of here designated for multimedia and information technology development.

Later, the leaders attended a luncheon hosted by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Momamad at a hotel at the KLIA. -- BERNAMA

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