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CHAVALIT DEPARTS FOR HOME AFTER TWO-DAY VISIT

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 28 (Bernama) -- Thai Prime Minister Gen Chavalit Yongchaiyudh left here today after a two-day visit.

Chavalit and his wife, Phankrua, were seen off at the Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Airport in Subang near here by Foreign Minister Datuk Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

Also present were Thai ambassador Suchitra Hiranprueck and Deputy Home Minister Datuk Seri Megat Junid Megat Ayob, who was minister-in-attendance, and other officials.

The Thai premier's aircraft took off at 6.15pm.

Earlier, he gave a talk on economic opportunities in Thailand at a function organised by the New Straits Times Group here.

Yesterday, Chavalit held bilateral discussions with Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, touching on issues pertaining to the common border, transportation and bilateral trade.

He was also granted an audience by the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Najihah at Istana Negara.

Dr Mahathir and Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali entertained the Thai couple to a dinner at their residence, Sri Perdana, last night. --

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