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DR MAHATHIR ARRIVES IN KOTA KINABALU

KOTA KINABALU, Jan 4 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad arrived here today for a one-day visit to Sabah.

He flew into the state capital at 9.30am, 30 minutes earlier than scheduled.

He was received at the Kota Kinabalu old airport by Sabah Chief Minister Datuk Yong Teck Lee, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Chong Kah Kiat, Land and Cooperative Development Minister Datuk Osu Sukam and State Ministers.

Dr Mahathir left by a military helicopter at 10.05am for Keningau accompanied by the Chief Minister and other ministers to inspect the areas affected by the Tropical Storm Greg on Dec 26.

The Prime Minister is scheduled to hold a news conference at the airport old terminal building at 2.30pm before returning to Kuala Lumpur.

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