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JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER ENDS TWO-DAY VISIT

KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 9 (Bernama) -- Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto left for Indonesia this morning after a two-day visit to Malaysia.

He was seen off at the Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah International Airport in Subang by Foreign Minister Datuk Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

Earlier, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad called on Hashimoto at Nikko Hotel here to bid him farewell.

Hashimoto was here on the second leg of a five-nation Southeast Asian tour after Brunei.

He was accompanied by a 72-member delegation which include Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary Kaoru Yosano and Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Shunji Yanai. -- BERNAMA

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