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DR MAHATHIR RETURNS HOME AFTER MSC ROADSHOW IN GERMANY

KUALA LUMPUR, March 22 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad returned home today after a three-day working visit to Germany to promote the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC).

Dr Mahathir, who was accompanied by his wife, Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, arrived at the Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah airport in Subang, near here, at 5.45pm.

The prime minister led a mission to Hannover in Germany to attract German multimedia and information technology companies to participate in the MSC.

He delivered a keynote address at the MSC investors conference held at Hannover's CeBIT 98 trade fair, which is reputed to be one of the world's largest and most up-to-date exhibitions on office automation, information technology and telecommunications.

The MSC, billed as the world's comprehensive test-bed for developing and testing new multimedia technology, is a 15km by 50km greenfield area with world-class physical and information infrastructure.

While in Germany, Dr Mahathir met German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and also addressed the Malaysian-German Business Council.

Prior to his visit to Germany, the prime minister made a trip to Dubai to speak on the Southeast Asian financial and economic crisis at the Emirates International Forum. -- BERNAMA

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