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MAHATHIR OPENS FOURTH PACIFIC DIALOGUE

KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 12 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad opened the Fourth Pacific Dialogue, an annual gathering of prominent regional economic and security experts here today.

The two-day conference is chaired by Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

United States Secretary of Defence William Cohen, who arrived here yesterday, is among the more than 60 political leaders, policy makers and scholars participating in the dialogue.

The event is organised by the Malaysian Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS), the Asia Pacific Policy Center Washington and the Malaysian Institute for Policy Research (IKD).--BERNAMA

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