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PM ARRIVES FOR NATIONAL DAY BASH

PULAU PINANG, Aug 30 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad arrived today at the Bayan Lepas International Airport to attend the National Day celebrations to be held here tomorrow.

Soon after arrival, the Prime Minister is scheduled to participate in a convoy of 1,998 Proton cars to cross the Pulau Pinang bridge, an event held in conjunction with the National Day.

Dr Mahathir will be driving a Proton Wira that had been parachute dropped on the North Pole to cross the bridge.

The convoy touted by the organisers as the longest in the world would be recorded in the Malaysia Book of Records and Guinness Book of World Records.

Dr Mahathir is also scheduled to attend a banquet for the Yang Dipertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tunku Najihah Tunku Besar Burhanuddin who are in the state to attend the 41st National Day celebrations.

The Prime Minister will also attend the Merdeka Night event at the Esplanade where the national flag Jalur Gemilang would be raised at midnight.

At the event the Prime Minister would address the people and also receive a donation from Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon for the National Special Fund.

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