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DR MAHATHIR CALLS ON PRESIDENT JIANG ZEMIN

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DALIAN (China), Aug 19 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today called on Chinese President Jiang Zemin at the latter's Bangchuitao Rest House, here.

The prime minister arrived at this industrial-cum-port city, about an hour's flight from Beijing, in a special Chinese air force jet.

The courtesy call was in conjunction with Dr Mahathir's three-day working visit to China from yesterday.

The two leaders spent about an hour discussing bilateral matters and regional issues.

Dr Mahathir was accompanied by Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar and several other cabinet ministers.

The prime minister and his entourage later flew back to Beijing to continue with his second day itinerary.

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