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DR MAHATHIR SENDS CONDOLENCE MESSAGE TO KING ABDULLAH

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 8 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has sent his condolences to King Abdullah of Jordan on the death of his father, King Hussein, yesterday.

In a statement released by Wisma Putra here, the prime minister said King Hussein had been an enormous influence in building peace and rationality in West Asia and the world over.

He said King Hussein would long be remembered for the courage and the fortitude that he had always shown in the most difficult of times in his long and remarkable reign.

"May his legacy and substantial contribution to peace and prosperity of the Hashemite Kingdom and the region continue to inspire us," he said.

Dr Mahathir said he was confident that King Abdullah would continue the important legacy that his late father had bequeathed to the Hashemite Kingdom, the region and the world at large.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar sent a similar message to his Jordanian counterpart, Abdullah Ilah Al Khatib.

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