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DR MAHATHIR RETURNS FROM SWITZERLAND

SEPANG, Feb 1 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad arrived home today after attending the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland.

Dr Mahathir was invited to address statesmen, business leaders and academicians at the annual forum which this time carried the theme "Global Responsibility - Managing the Globalisation Impact".

At the forum, which began last Jan 28, Dr Mahathir proposed four measures to check excessive currency speculation, including curbing the leverage accorded currency speculators which ran up to 200 times their capital.

Dr Mahathir was received at the KL International Airport here by Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Haji Ahmad Badawi and Transport Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik.

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