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SABAH: MAHATHIR VISITS INJURED UMNO LEADERS

SANDAKAN, March 10 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today visited two Umno leaders from Selangor who were hospitalised after a road accident here on Monday.

Accompanied by his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, he spent about half an hour with the two men, Serdang Umno division chief Hasnan Wahid and its treasurer Abdul Aziz Sharif, at the Duchess of Kent Hospital here.

In the incident, Hasnan's deputy Sharif Sarim, 52, was killed when the car he was driving collided with an express bus at Km 54 of the Ranau-Telupid road.

Hasnan, 62, and Abdul Aziz, 50, escaped with injuries and were immediately admitted to hospital.

The trio, who had come to Sabah to campaign for Barisan Nasional candidates in this weekend's state election, were on their way from Sandakan to Kota Belud when the accident happened at 10.30 am.

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