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DR MAHATHIR ARRIVES IN BRUNEI

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, Oct 29 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad arrived here today for a two-day visit to this sultanate where he is scheduled to hold talks with Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah.

Dr Mahathir and wife, Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, who flew in from Hong Kong, arrived at the Brunei international airport, here, at 11.45am.

The prime minister and his entourage were met on arrival by Brunei's Industrial and Primary Resources Minister Datuk Seri Setia Awang Haji Abdul Rahman Mohamad Taib, who is also the minister-in-attendance.

Dr Mahathir is scheduled to have lunch with the Malaysians community here shortly after arrival and an audience with Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah at Istana Nurul Iman, later.

The two leaders will meet again at 8pm for a four-eye meeting followed by a dinner hosted by the sultan in honour of the visiting prime minister.

Dr Mahathir and his entourage will leave for home tomorrow morning.

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