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EARL AND COUNTESS OF WESSEX CALL ON DR MAHATHIR

PUTRAJAYA, Oct 23 (Bernama) -- The Earl and Countess of Wessex, Prince Edward and Sophie Rhys-Jones, called on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali at Seri Perdana, here, today.

Accompanied by British High Commissioner to Malaysia Graham Fry and his wife, Toyoko, they met Dr Mahathir and Dr Siti Hasmah for about 30 minutes before joining others for a tea reception.

They arrived in Kuala Lumpur yesterday for a four-day visit to Malaysia.

During their stay here, Prince Edward, who is Queen Elizabeth's youngest child, and Rhys-Jones are scheduled to call on Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Siti Aishah at Istana Negara tomorrow.

They are also scheduled to visit the Petronas Gallery at the Kuala Lumpur City Centre (KLCC), the sky bridge of the Petronas Twin Towers and the University of Nottingham in Malaysia (UniM) in Jalan Conlay.

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