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SULTAN OF BRUNEI ATTENDS BANQUET AT SERI PERDANA

PUTRAJAYA, Oct 1 (Bernama) -- Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah of Brunei, who is on a two-day visit to Malaysia, attended a state banquet at Seri Perdana, the official residence of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, here, tonight.

He was accompanied by the Paduka Seri Baginda Raja Isteri and Pengiran Isteri.

Present were Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar and Defence Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

The sultan, who arrived this morning, had a four-eye meeting with Dr Mahathir at the prime minister's office in the afternoon.

He will be conferred an honorary doctorate in political science by the International Islamic University Malaysia at a special convocation tomorrow before leaving for home.

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