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TAIB MAHMUD MEETS PRIME MINISTER TODAY

PUTRAJAYA, Aug 28 (Bernama) -- Sarawak Chief Minister Tan Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud held a meeting with Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at the Prime Minister's office here today.

According to official sources, the meeting was held at 2pm and lasted an hour.

The sources said the meeting was held at the request of Taib as Sarawak Barisan Nasional (BN) chairman.

Prior to this, Taib had said that he would meet Dr Mahathir upon the prime minister's return from his visits to Yemen and Uganda to submit the list of BN candidates for the state election which must be held before Nov 10.

In the 1996 Sarawak state election, the BN won 58 of the 62 seats, including 18 which it won unopposed.

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