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DR M ATTENDS LAW'S CNY RECEPTION

KUALA LUMPUR, March 2 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali tonight attended a Chinese New Year dinner hosted by Science, Technology and Environment Minister Datuk Seri Law Hieng Ding.

The dinner, held at Mandarin Oriental Hotel, was also attended by Defence Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak, Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin, Agriculture Minister Datuk Effendi Norwawi and National Unity and Social Development Minister Datuk Dr Siti Zaharah Sulaiman.

About 400 guests including ambassadors, high commissioners, corporate figures and Science, Technology and Environment Ministry's senior officers were also present.

The reception started with a grand lion dance presentation by the Chin Woo Lion Dance Troupe.

Dr Mahathir was on a month-long leave overseas during the Chinese New Year celebrations which started on Feb 12.

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