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KAZAKHSTAN PARLIAMENT CHAIRMAN ZHARMAKHAN CALLS ON PM

PUTRAJAYA, March 30 (Bernama) -- Chairman of Kazakhstan's Majilis (Parliament) Zharmakhan Tuyakbay called on Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at the Prime Minister's Office here today.

Speaking to reporters after talks with Dr Mahathir, Zharmakhan said the purpose of his visit to Malaysia was to learn more about parliamentary activities here as well as Malaysia's experience in economic development.

"Kazakhstan is a young independent country. That is why we are interested in these issues," he said through an interpreter.

He said they also discussed measures to improve bilateral relations.

Zharmakhan and his delegation arrived in Kuala Lumpur last Tuesday and are scheduled to leave for Seoul on April 1.

Their programme in Malaysia includes visits to Parliament House Cyberjaya, the Petronas twin towers, the Islamic Arts Museum and the Malaysian Palm Oil Board.

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