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LAST ASEAN SUMMIT FOR DR M

PHNOM PENH, Nov 5 (Bernama) -- Will the 8th Asean Summit, which ended here today, the last for Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad?

The Malaysian leader himself provided a cryptic answer when asked by foreign journalists during his press conference at the end of the two-day summit.

"I don't know whether this is the last time. Perhaps, the meeting next year may be held before I retire.

"If I've not retired, maybe I will attend. But if I'm unwell, I will not attend," he said.

Dr Mahathir has announced that he would step down in October next year.

The 9th Asean Summit is scheduled for Oct 7 and 8 in Bali, Indonesia next year.

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