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DR M HOLDS BILATERAL MEETINGS ON THE SIDELINES OF OIC SUMMIT

PUTRAJAYA, Oct 16 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad held several bilateral meetings on the sidelines of the 10th Organisation of the Islamic Conference Leaders' Summit.

First to meet Dr Mahathir, who will retire end of this month, was the King of Jordan, King Abdullah.

They met for more than 30 minutes before the summit adjourned for lunch.

Later, Dr Mahathir met Iranian President Seyed Mohammad Khatami for more than 20 minutes.

He then held a 40-minute talks with Russian President Vladimir Putin. Russia was invited as a guest to the summit as Moscow was a non-OIC member.

In the evening, Dr Mahathir met Egyptian Prime Minister Dr Atef Muhammad Edeib followed by a meeting with Bangladeshi Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia.

The Heads of State and Government will meet again tomorrow before they come up with the Putrajaya Declaration.

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