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MALAYSIA AND OMAN VOW TO ENHANCE TIES

DUBAI, Jan 28 (Bernama) -- Rural Development Minister Datuk Azmi Khalid has held talks with senior Omani officials in Muscat during a visit aimed at forging closer relations between Malaysia and Oman.

Azmi delivered a written message from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad for Oman's Sultan Qaboos Bin Said at a meeting with Deputy Prime Minister Sayyid Fahd Bin Mahmoud Al Said, the Omani media reported.

He is among several Malaysian ministers assigned to visit Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) member countries to hand letters and official invitations for their leaders to attend the summit in Kuala Lumpur from Feb 20 to 25.

During the talks on Saturday, Sayyid Fahd expressed Oman's keenness to promote relations with Malaysia in all fields.

Oman's Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries Sheikh Salim Bin Hilal Al Khalili and Malaysian ambassador to the sultanate Datuk Mohamed Radzi Abdul Rahman were also present.

Azmi and his delegation were also received by Omani Foreign Minister Yousef Bin Alawi on Sunday.

The two ministers exchanged views on "current regional and international developments and matters of mutual interest" and discussed "ways of enhancing aspects of bilateral cooperation," the official Oman News Agency reported.

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