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OIC LEADERS ATTENDS DINNER HOSTED BY DR MAHATHIR

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 16 (Bernama) -- Leaders of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) attending the 10th OIC summit were hosted to dinner by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at a leading hotel here tonight.

More than 30 heads of state and government as well as high-level representatives are attending the two-day summit at the brand new Putrajaya Convention Centre (PCC) in Putrajaya.

Among those present at the dinner were Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah of Brunei, King Abdullah II of Jordan, Kuwaiti Prime Minister Sheikh Dr Muhammad Al-Salem Al-Sabah, Crown Prince Abdullah Abdul Aziz of Saudi Arabia and Morocco's King Mohamed VI.

Besides Muslim leaders from West Asia, Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Russian President Vladimir Putin and Philippine President Gloria Arroyo were among those present as special guests at the opening ceremony.

Also present at the dinner were Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, spouses of the leaders and representatives, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, Malaysian cabinet ministers and senior government officials, foreign dignitaries and diplomats.

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