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SYED HAMID-TIMOR LESTE

TIMOR LESTE HOPES FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT FROM MALAYSIA

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 3 (Bernama) -- Timor Leste hopes that Malaysia would continue to assist the country in its development efforts.

This was conveyed by its President Xanana Gusmao in his meeting with Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi here today, Foreign Minister Syed Hamid Albar told reporters.

He said Gusmao was on a private visit to Malaysia and had taken the opportunity to call on Abdullah to discuss on bilateral matters and matters of common interest including Asean.

Gusmao had also conveyed his appreciation to Malaysia for its support towards Timor Leste and hoped for a continued and enhanced collaboration.

Syed Hamid said Malaysia was very happy with its relationship with Timor Leste and would help out in any way it can to give them assistance for capacity building.

He also expects some memorandums to be signed during Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's visit to Timor Leste from Oct 22-24. --

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