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ALOR SETAR, AUG 4 (BERNAMA) -- ABDULLAH PACHIK, BROTHER-IN-LAW OF THE PRIME MINISTER, DIED OF ASTHMA AT THE UTARA MEDICAL SPECIALISTS' CENTRE EARLY THIS MORNING. HE WAS 72.

ABDULLAH'S YOUNGER BROTHER, MUKHTI PACHIK, SAID HIS BROTHER WHO WAS ADMITTED TO THE MEDICAL CENTRE ON JULY 14, DIED AT 1.30AM TODAY.

ABDULLAH, WAS THE HUSBAND OF JOHARA MOHAMAD, THE ELDER SISTER OF DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD. HE LEAVES BEHIND A DAUGHTER, AZIAN, AND SEVERAL GRANDCHILDREN.

HE WAS BURIED AT THE MASJID AKAR PELURU MUSLIM CEMETERY IN JALAN PEGAWAI TODAY.

THE YANG DI-PERTUA OF MELAKA TUN SYED AHMAD SHAHABUDDIN AND HIS WIFE WERE AMONG THE DIGNITARIES WHO PAID THEIR LAST RESPECTS AT THE HOUSE OF THE BEREAVED IN LORONG KILANG AIS IN SEBERANG PERAK HERE.

KEDAH STATE EXECUTIVE COUNCILLOR DATUK HAJI ZAKARIA SAID AND UTUSAN MELAYU'S EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN DATUK HAJI KHALID ABDULLAH ALSO PAID THEIR LAST RESPECTS. -- BERNAMA

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