

Bridging the divide

PM: End animosity between West and Muslims

KUALA LUMPUR: The world needs more people who are able to bridge the divide between the West and Muslim civilisations to bring to an end the animosity and antagonism of the past and the present, said Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

Describing these people as bridge-builders, the Prime Minister said they must be multiplied "to destroy the walls erected by those who are hell-bent" on keeping the two civilisations apart.

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... when the bridge-builders reign supreme, the people of the West will speak for Islam and the Muslims will speak for the West

MEETING OF MINDS: Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi greeting former Iranian president Mohammad Khatami. Looking is British historian Timothy Garton Ash.



