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PM invites Chinese president to visit

KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has extended an official invitation to Chinese President Xi Jinping to visit Malaysia next year.

He said the invite was conveyed to China's Public Security Minister Wang Xiaohong during the prime minister's courtesy call on the prime minister in Putrajaya yesterday.

"This year is the 10th anniversary of the China-Malaysia Comprehensive Strategic Partnership and we will celebrate 50 years of diplomatic ties next year.

"I issued a letter of invitation to him (Xi) to visit Malaysia next year in conjunction with the celebration of the anniversary of our



Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim having a chat with China's Public Security Minister Wang Xiaohong in Putrajaya yesterday.

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diplomatic relationship.

"InsyaAllah, may there be more opportunities for cooperation between Malaysia and China for our mutual benefit," he said in post

on social media.

On his meeting with Wang, who was accompanied by Home Minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution Ismail and Chinese ambas-

sador to Malaysia Ouyang Yujing, Anwar said they exchanged opinions on current issues, especially security matters that required cooperation between the countries.

"This platform is a good opportunity for us to strengthen the relationship between our countries in facing security challenges in Asia and the world."