

## MEETING WITH FRENCH PM

# Anwar: France's support for our energy transition, economic agenda valued

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**PARIS:** Malaysia values France's continued support for its energy transition and economic transformation agenda, particularly through the involvement of leading French companies such as ENGIE, Total and Thales.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim conveyed this during a meeting with his French counterpart, François Bayrou, marking a new chapter in Malaysia-France relations.

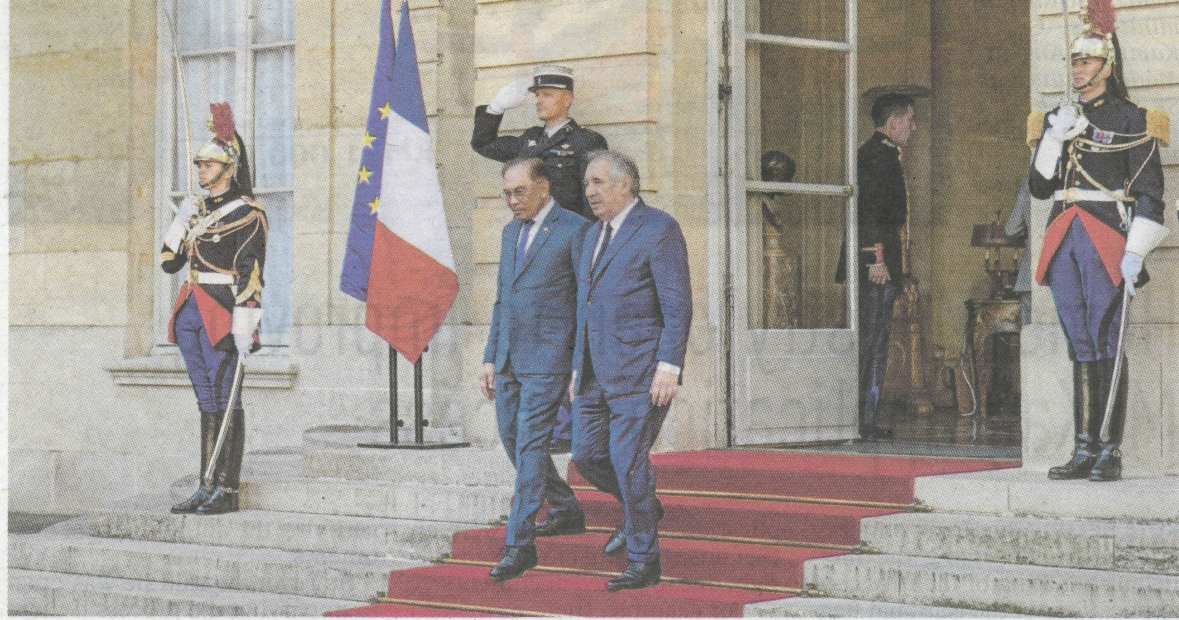
"We discussed a range of strategic cooperation areas, including high-value investments in sectors such as aerospace, semiconductors, automotive,



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clean energy, defence, education, and technical and vocational education and training (TVET)," he said.

Anwar also underscored the importance of Airbus' commitment to delivering the A330neo



Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim with his French counterpart, Francois Bayrou, in Paris yesterday, as part of his two-day visit to France. BERNAMA PIC

aircraft as agreed with Malaysia Aviation Group (MAG).

This was vital to ensuring operational continuity and sustained investment, he said.

"AirAsia has likewise demonstrated its confidence in French technology by committing to the purchase of several Airbus

aircraft, further strengthening aviation ties between our two nations," he said.

France, he added, was currently Malaysia's fourth-largest trading partner in the European Union.

He expressed confidence that bilateral ties would continue to

flourish in line with both countries' shared aspirations for sustainable growth and a more inclusive future.

Anwar also extended an invitation to Bayrou to undertake an official visit to Malaysia as part of efforts to further deepen bilateral relations.