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## Commit resources to youth says His Majesty



During the Manila summit held last month ASEAN leaders met informally with Mrs Corazon Aquino, Philippines President. His Majesty the Sultan (red striped tie) is third from left.

**B**runei Darussalam has suggested that more attention be given to the strengthening of ASEAN solidarity through concerted efforts to bring the grouping's young people together.

In making the suggestion at the third ASEAN summit in Manila on December 14, 1987 His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah

Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam said that the Sultanate would 'be pleased to play an active part in the launching of a programme on the exchange of youths within ASEAN.'

His Majesty said that the programme should involve students and other young people at col-

leges, universities and voluntary bodies within the grouping.

'Children at school should be taught to understand ASEAN and what it is striving to do,' he said.

Turning to Brunei Darussalam's membership to ASEAN since 1984 he added that

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## ASEAN solidarity reaffirmed

**A**SEAN is slowly becoming more than the sum of its partners.

The show of ASEAN solidarity and the spirit of commitment displayed by heads of government at the Manila summit last month is just cause for optimism over the grouping's future.

His Majesty, attending his first ASEAN Summit since Brunei Darussalam's membership to ASEAN in 1984, has reiterated Brunei Darussalam's readiness to shoulder its responsibilities.

Given the current worldwide economic climate and its effect in primary-producer and industrialising nations like ours economic issues fell to the top of the agenda in Manila. Intra-ASEAN economic cooperation has long been an expressed goal of the six leaders and this appears to be inevitable as Southeast Asia heads its way to boosting trade and investment on a scale apparently unaffected by so-called crises-wracked economies.

Japan's offer of financial assistance to flagging private industrialisation efforts through the ASEAN-Japan Development Fund must seen as a welcome helping hand.

Cooperation within ASEAN based on trust, confidence and 'one for all and all for one' philosophy could cushion the pain of the threatened continued economic slump.

Renewal of their commitment to making Southeast Asia a zone of peace freedom and neutrality (ZOFPAN) will help close ranks among the leaders and speaks of a future that promises more of the 'We' than the 'I' talk, thinking and action.

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the country had benefitted much and looked forward to ASEAN's striving for 'the security and stability of the region as well as the economic advancement of our peoples.'

'Brunei is committed to play its part within the limitations of our ability as the smallest member....' His Majesty said.

The summit achievements included a package of economic measures to stimulate trade and investment. This included preferential terms for half of the intra-ASEAN trade worth about US\$25 billion (about \$50 billion) annually, removal or reduction of non-tariff barriers.

Other leaders at the summit were President Suharto of Indonesia, Prime Minister Datuk

Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad of Malaysia, President Corazon Aquino of the Philippines, Singaporean Premier Mr Lee Kuan Yew and Prime Minister General Prem Tinsulanonda of Thailand.

Brunei Darussalam's delegation included His Royal Highness Paduka Seri Pengiran Perdana Wazir Sahibul Himmah Wal-Waqar Pengiran Muda Mohamed Bolkihah, the Foreign Affairs Minister, Pehin Orang Kaya Laila Setia Bakti Diraja Dato Laila Utama Haji Awang Isa the Special Adviser to His Majesty cum Home Affairs Minister and Pengiran Dato Seri Laila Jasa Dr Ismail, the Development Minister and senior officials.

• The full text of His Majesty opening address is carried on page 6.

## Early warning system needed

**B**runei Darussalam feels that an early warning system should be designed to identify food shortages within ASEAN.

Dato Paduka Malai Ali, Permanent Secretary at the Development Ministry said last month 'A project to develop an early warning system is crucial as to prepare ourselves to cope with any threat of food shortage within ASEAN and avert or divert any situation that may create a food shortage.'

Dato Paduka Malai Ali was speaking at the opening of the ASEAN Food Security Reserve Board meeting that began in Bandar Seri Begawan on December 16, 1987.

'Food security reserves are essential as the board reviews the food situation in the region and worldwide and also identifies adverse conditions that could af-

fect local and regional basic food production,' the Permanent Secretary added.

Brunei Darussalam faces tough challenges to achieve a degree of self sufficiency in basic food production.



Dato Paduka Malai Ali.

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# Thais celebrate royal birthday



His Royal Highness Paduka Seri Pengiran Perdana Wazir Sahibul Himmah Wal-Waqar Pengiran Muda Haji Mohamed Bolkiah, the Foreign Affairs Minister (seated third from right) at the reception with His Excellency Mr Somchit Insingha, Thailand's Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam.

**T**he Royal Thai Embassy in Bandar Seri Begawan last month celebrated the 60th birthday of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej and the National Day of the Kingdom of Thailand.

Host His Excellency Mr Som-

chit Insingha, the Ambassador to Brunei Darussalam was on hand to receive the chief guest His Royal Highness Paduka Seri Pengiran Perdana Wazir Sahibul Himmah Wal-Waqar Pengiran Muda Haji Mohamed Bolkiah, the Foreign Affairs Minister who

represented the government at the December 5, 1987 celebration.

Other guests at the function included members of the diplomatic community, senior officials and Thai nationals residing in the Sultanate.

## Ottawa's CDS visits

**T**he Canadian Chief of the Defence Staff General Paul D. Manson last month led a team of military officials to Brunei Darussalam in a two-day visit beginning December 6, 1987.

While in the Sultanate, General Manson called on Pengiran Sanggamara Diraja Major General Pengiran Haji Ibnu, the Deputy Defence Minister.

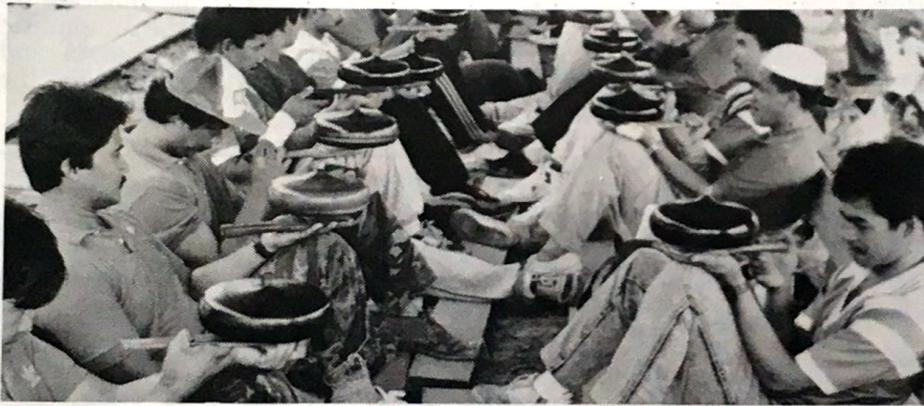
The six-member delegation which included His Excellency Mr Manfred G Von Nostitz, the Canadian High Commissioner to Malaysia also met with other senior military officials.



Pengiran Sanggamara Diraja Major General Pengiran Haji Ibnu, the Deputy Defence Minister (right) with the visiting General Paul D. Manson, the Canadian Chief of the Defence Staff.



**A** SEAN Land Transport and Highway officials were in Brunei Darussalam on November 18, 1987 on a two-day visit to the country. The officials visited several sites on the Pan-Borneo Highway project which will link the Sultanate and Malaysian state of Sarawak. The picture above shows the officials with their Brunei Darussalam counterparts at a worksite on the Pan-Borneo Highway in the Temburong district. The highway is due to be ready next year.



Contestants at the championships.

## Kampong Tanjong Nangka tops tops contest

**T**op-spinning enthusiasts ended their 1987 calendar with a daylong competition last month.

Dato Paduka Awang Haji Mohd Ali, the Deputy Culture Youth and Sports Minister who was there said that the preservation and promotion of traditional sport such as top-spinning should be encouraged and could become an avenue for building up the spirit of

nationalism.

He added that traditional recreative activities would forgotten be lost if there was no effort made to preserve them.

Kampong Tanjong Nangka topped the National Top-spinning competition. There were sections for team events, young adults and a category for competitors above 50 years old.

## BSB, Pakistan link air pact

**B**runei Darussalam and Pakistan have signed an air services agreement permitting one another's aircraft landing rights.

The pact signed in Islamabad on December 30, 1987 allows the operation of an air service with six intermediate landing points and three beyond points.

Pehin Orang Kaya Laila Wijaya Dato Seri Setia Haji Awang Abdul Aziz, the Communication Minister signed on behalf of the Brunei Darussalam government.

**T**wo diplomatic missions in Brunei Darussalam last month presented some 87 volumes of books, for public use, to the Language and Literature Bureau in the capital, Bandar Seri Begawan.

The first 50 volumes of English Language published books on Bangladeshi language and literature were donated by the Bangladesh High Commission in Bandar Seri Begawan on December 10, 1987.

Presenting the books to Awang Haji Ahmad bin Kadi, the Language and Literature Bureau's Director was the His Excellency Mr Anwar Ul-Alam, Acting Bangladesh High Commissioner.

The other gift came two days later from the French government which presented some 37 volumes of books in the French and English Languages including history, dictionaries as well as children's books.

The books were handed over by His Excellency Mr Patrick Amiot, the French Ambassador to the Sultanate.

## Bangladesh, French books for Bruneians



Awang Haji Ahmad bin Kadi, the Language and Literature Bureau's Director (left) looks at the donated books presented by His Excellency Mr Anwar Ul-Alam, the Bangladeshi Acting High Commissioner.



**B**runei Darussalam was among the ASEAN countries visited by a Japanese cultural mission last November. The 17-member delegation was in the country for two days beginning November 20, 1987, to explore opportunities for the promotion of cultural exchanges and cooperation. While in the Sultanate the visiting party led by Mr Ioshikuni Yahiro, Chairman of the Mitsui Company, paid a courtesy call on Pehin Jawatan Luar Pekerma Raja Dato Seri Paduka Awang Haji Hussain, the Culture, Youth and Sports Minister (second from right).

**Text of speech by His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam at the Third ASEAN Summit, Manila, 14 December, 1987.**

**Y**our Excellency Madam Chairperson, Distinguished Heads of State and Heads of Government of ASEAN.

Your Excellencies,

First of all, allow me to congratulate you, Madam Chairperson, on your being elected to the chairmanship of this very important meeting - the Third ASEAN Summit. I am confident that with your dedication you will guide this meeting to a fruitful conclusion.

Madam Chairperson, since your assumption of the high office of President of the Republic of the Philippines, you have displayed tremendous courage and determination in your efforts to bring about peace, stability and prosperity for your people. We wish you success in your endeavour.

Your Excellencies,

As this is my first opportunity to address a meeting of ASEAN Heads of Government, I would like to express our deep appreciation to the five original members of the Association for the welcome which you had extended to Brunei Darussalam on our becoming an independent nation in January 1984. Brunei has benefitted much from our membership of ASEAN, and we look forward to the future, confident that ASEAN will continue to strive for the security and stability of the region, as well as for the economic advancement of our peoples. Brunei is committed to play its part, within the constraints and limitations of our ability as the smallest member, to ensure that ASEAN remains a viable and effective Association.

Your Excellencies,

We are gathered here in Manila to continue the great work which the founders of the Association had begun twenty years ago. We are here to translate into reality the ideals and goals which the founders believed to be vital to the interest of our region, for we also believe in those ideals as set out in the Bangkok Declaration and the ASEAN Concord.

The fact that ASEAN Countries have achieved rapid economic growth in the past ten years testify to the prevalence of general political stability in our region. It is therefore important that here in Manila we reaffirm

our commitment to the maintenance of political stability so that we can enhance economic development even further.

In reaffirming of commitment to the ideals of our Association, we should find ways to ensure that future leaders in our countries will also be imbued with the same commitment to ASEAN, to its continued existence and viability.

Programmes which involve the participation of youths should be initiated. Children at school should be taught to understand ASEAN and what it is striving to do. The exchange of students and youths at colleges and universities and in voluntary organizations within ASEAN should be organized. Through their experience of working side by side, our youths can at an early stage begin to build the foundation of neighbourly relations based on friendship and mutual trust and confidence. In this way commitment to ASEAN will be renewed and passed on to future generations, thus ensuring continued stability in our region.

Your Excellencies,

In our deliberations at this meeting, we should ask our ministers and officials to devise programmes and implement plans of action for youths. The Declaration of Youth issued by our ministers in 1983 should be reaffirmed and strengthened. Resources should be found and allocated towards implementing youth programmes.

Whilst we can strive to create conditions for continued peace and stability within ASEAN, events outside our Association, but happening in the region do affect us all. The unresolved problem of Kampuchea is like a dark cloud casting an ominous shadow in our region. ASEAN has been working to help create the necessary environment for solving the Kampuchean problem within the framework of the relevant United Nations Resolution. Developments in recent weeks have at first given us some optimism for the resolution to the problem, but subsequent events have proven otherwise. We sincerely hope that all sides will resolve the problem by political means, taking into consideration the interests of all parties involv-

ed. But until peace is finally restored in the whole of Indo-China, it may be wise for us to temper optimism with caution.

Your Excellencies,

Whilst political stability is a necessary condition for development, we have seen that over the last two years our economic growth has been hampered by the fall in the prices of commodities including oil, and by the increasingly protectionist policies of the developed countries. The holding of this meeting is therefore timely, in that it will enable us to re-examine economic cooperation among ASEAN members and to give a new impetus to the conclusions reached on this subject at the last summit in Kuala Lumpur. Let us therefore implement the decision taken then so that we can all increase our national resilience which will enable us to further contribute to the peace and stability of the region.

Intra-ASEAN economic cooperation is one of the main topics in our agenda. Our ministers and officials have spent many months working out programmes for increasing intra-ASEAN economic cooperation. What remains now is for us to give these programmes political endorsement so that all concerned can embark on this joint exercise in the knowledge that the ideals and goals have not only been identified, but that they can be realized.

Madam Chairperson,

In conclusion, I would like to express to you, and through you, to the Government and people of the Philippines, my sincere thanks for the warm welcome and hospitality extended to us, and I wish also to express our deep appreciation for the measures taken to ensure our wellbeing.

Your Excellencies,

I am confident that in this cordial and friendly atmosphere, we will be able not only to demonstrate our solidarity, but also to produce substantial agreements in our efforts to achieve greater economic cooperation among ASEAN members, thus contributing towards political and social stability in our region.

Thank you.

# ASEAN HEADS OF GOVERNMENT

5 DECEMBER 1987

MANILA



ASEAN leaders at the Manila summit last month. L-R His Majesty Sultan Haji Hasanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam, President Suharto of Indonesia, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad the Malaysian Premier, President C. Aquino of the Philippines, Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew of Singapore and Prime Minister General Prem Tinsulanonda of Thailand.



**J**apan's new Prime Minister Mr Noburu Takeshita (left), on his first overseas trip after succeeding Mr Y Nakasone was the only non-ASEAN head to hold talks with ASEAN leaders at the summit. He announced a US\$2 billion (about \$4 billion) loan package to ASEAN. He said that the loan was mainly intended to help each member country's industrial development and added that the loans would be 'generally united.' National projects by private companies or two or more ASEAN countries would be eligible for loans from the ASEAN-Japan Development Fund. Mr Takeshita also said that cooperation with ASEAN formed 'one of the pillars of Japan foreign policy.'

Closing statement by His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam at the ASEAN Summit in Manila in December 15, 1987.

**M**adam Chairperson,  
Your Excellencies,  
Ladies and Gentlemen.

We have over the last two days deliberated on many issues and exchanged views on both economic cooperation and how to instil a commitment to ASEAN to ensure political stability.

We are very happy with the various agreements reached at this historic meeting. In particular, in relation to Functional Cooperation, Brunei will be pleased to play an active part in the launching of a programme on the exchange of youths within ASEAN.

The agreements on Intra-ASEAN Economic Cooperation are a step in the desired direction. Our goals are clear, our strategy is mapped out and we have now to let the ministers, officials and the private sector implement our

decisions. When we meet again in the future, no doubt we will wish to review progress.

Madam Chairperson,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Foreign and Economic Ministers as well as the members of the High Level Steering Committee and of the various committees who have worked so hard to prepare for our meeting.

I would also like to congratulate you, Madam Chairperson, on the skillful manner in which you have conducted our meetings. My appreciation and congratulations also go to your delegation and secretariat who have worked so efficiently to ensure the smooth running of this conference.

Finally, I would like once again to thank you and your Government for the warm and generous hospitality extended to me and my delegation during our stay in Manila.

## US \$100,000 gift to typhoon victims

**T**he government of His Majesty the Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam has presented a donation to the victims of typhoon 'Sisang' which hit Philippines last November.

The donation of about US\$100,000 (approximately \$200,000) was handed over by His Excellency Pengiran Mustapha bin Pengiran Metassan, Brunei Darussalam's Ambassador to Manila to Mr Raul S. Manglapus, the Philippines Foreign Affairs Secretary on December 12, 1987.

The typhoon has left more than 300 dead and caused much damage to crop and property.

## Singapore officers on ASEAN tour

**T**welve Singapore Civil Service administrative officers paid a four-day goodwill and educational visit to Brunei Darussalam beginning December 6, 1987.

The visitors, accompanied by two officials from the Singapore Civil Service Institute, called on their Bruneian counterparts and generally familiarised themselves with the country's political, economic, social and cultural environment.

They also visited the oilfields of Seria and other places of interest.

This was the third group of Singaporean civil service officers to visit the Sultanate. Previous groups visited in 1984 and 1985.

## Oral health services meet UN target

**L**ast month saw the launching of the water flouridation scheme by Dato Paduka Haji Johar bin Dato Paduka Haji Noordin, the Health Minister.

The flouridation of piped water supplies at the treatment plant means that Brunei Darussalam now meets all World Health Organisation proposals for 'Oral Health by the year 2000.'

Flouridation is at the rate of 0.7 parts per million, slightly lower than the amount metered for use in cold countries.

Research figures claim a 50 percent drop in the incidence of dental caries among small children if they use flouridated water from birth until the time they develop teeth.

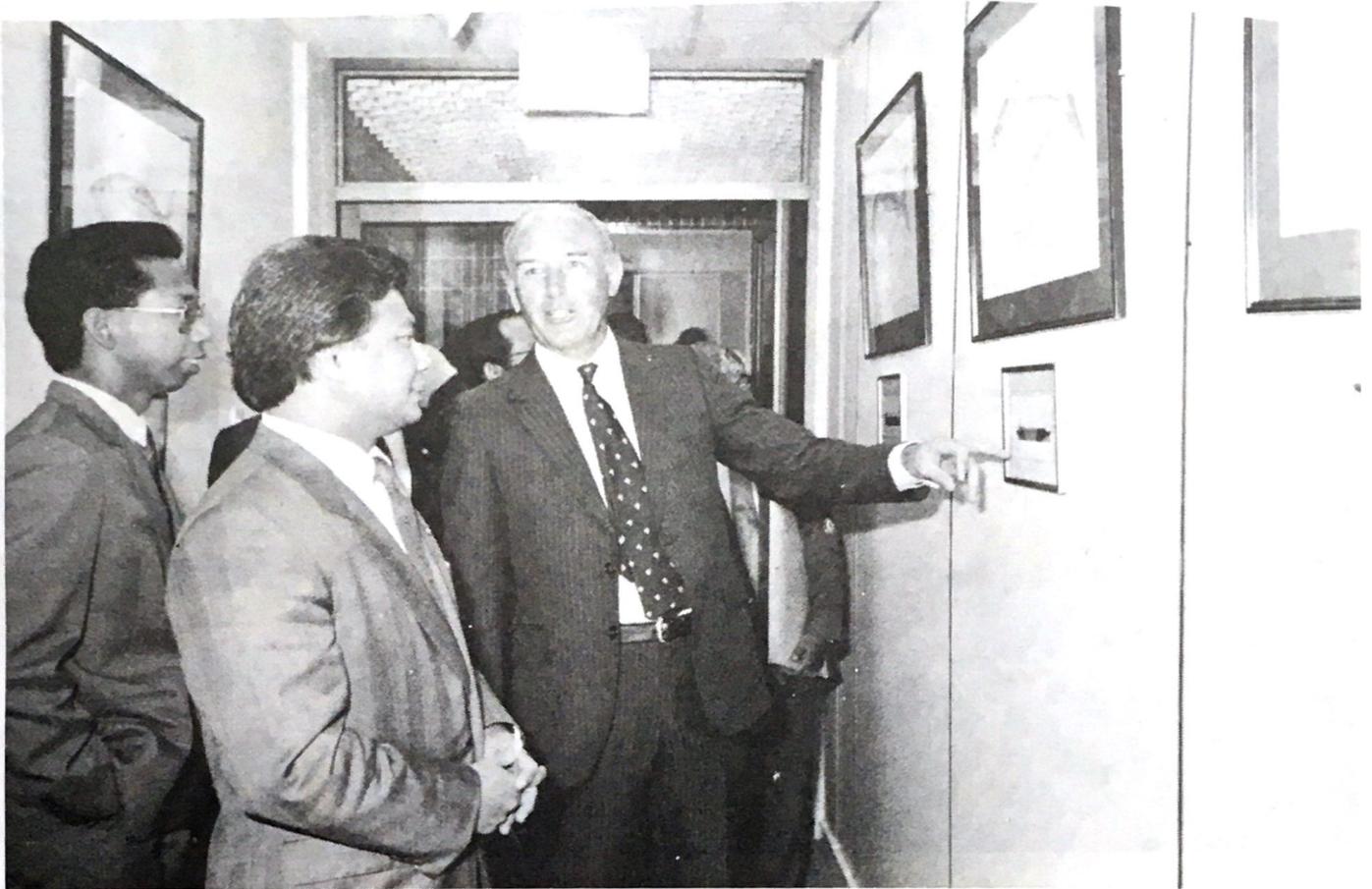
Hopes are now higher in the effort to cut down dental caries among children in the Sultanate

aged below 12.

Dr Anamalay Ayasamy, Specialist Dental Surgeon at the government Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Saleha hospital in Bandar Seri Begawan has assured consumers that there would be no dangerous side effects from the water treatment scheme which would initially benefit over 60 percent of the population in the country.

Brunei Darussalam has an extensive dental care service covering the country especially school children.

Apart from the four hospitals in the country, there are six community health centres where dental treatment is available, a mobile clinic that covers eight schools and 25 school dental clinics. Special clinics are also provided for police and military personnel.



**B**runei Shell Tankers Sendirian Berhad last month officially opened its office in Bandar Seri Begawan about one year after the company was launched by His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam. The opening was officiated by Pengiran Laila Kanun Diraja Pengiran Bahrin (centre), the Law Minister, on December 3, 1987. Brunei Shell Tankers is the latest of five companies to join the Brunei Shell stable of companies. The company, a joint venture between the government and the Royal Dutch/Shell Group, owns seven vessels that transport LNG exports from the Sultanate to Japan. The tankers, each with a capacity of 75,000 cubic metres, are managed by their former owners Shell Tankers (UK). Other companies in the Brunei Shell Group are Brunei Shell Petroleum Sendirian Berhad, like the newest company remains a 50-50 government - Shell enterprise, Brunei Coldgas Sendirian Berhad and Brunei LNG Sendirian Berhad are half owned by the government with the balance shared between the Royal Dutch/Shell Group and the Mitsubishi Corporation of Japan and Brunei Shell Marketing Company Sendirian Berhad. In 1986 Brunei Darussalam produced an average of 750 MMSCF of LNG per day.

## UN 'International Year of Shelter' stamps

**T**he Postal Services Department last month came out with the last of four sets of commemorative stamp sets issued in 1987.

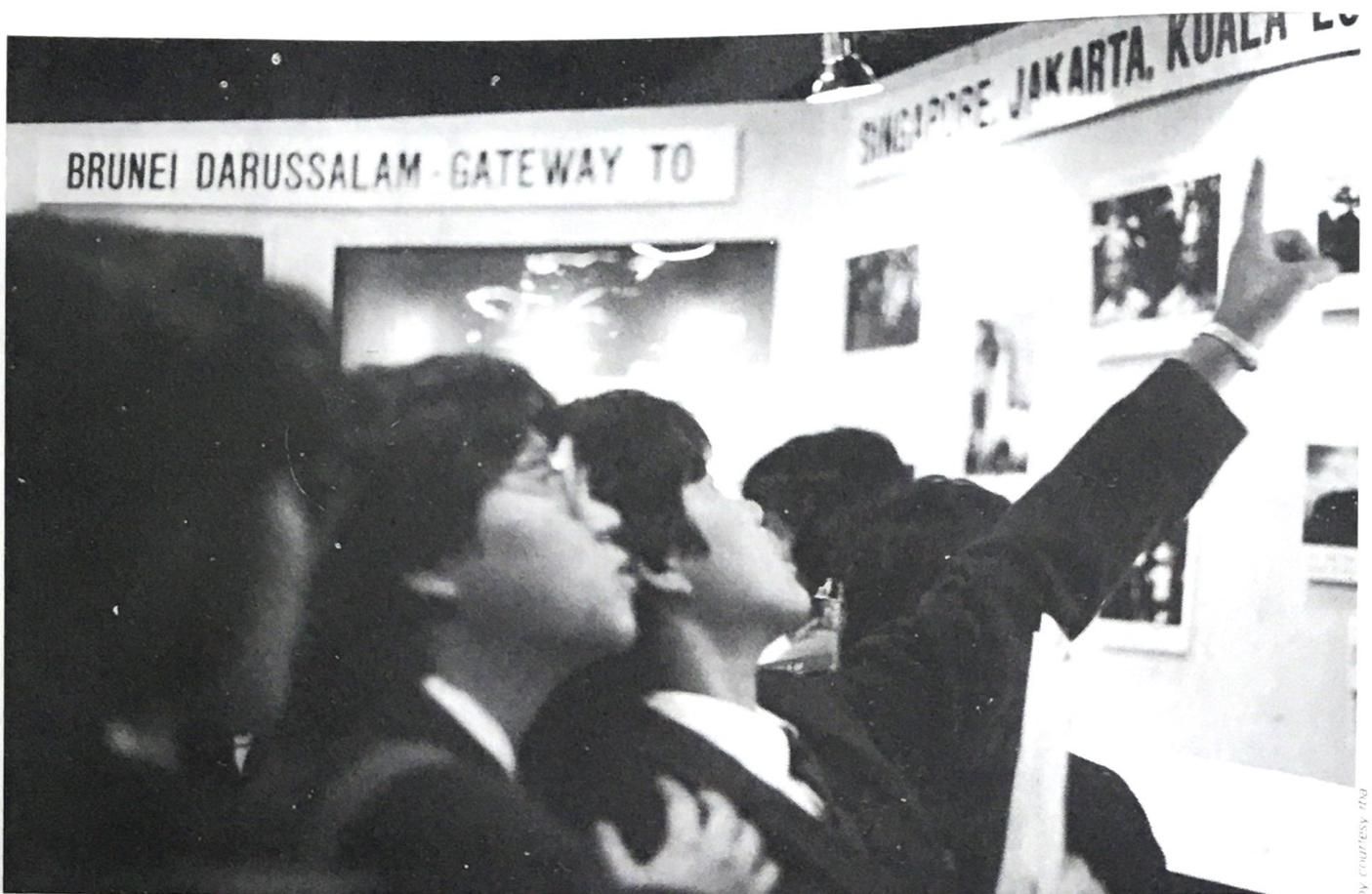
The three-stamp set (50 sen, 75 sen, \$1), released on November 28, 1987, marked 1987 being the United Nations International Year of Shelter for the homeless.

The other commemorative stamps were issued to mark the country's anti-drugs campaign, the 20th anniversary of the formation of ASEAN, and the silver jubilee of the Language and Literature Bureau.

Last year two thematic sets were also released; one featuring brass handicraft in the country and the other featuring local fruit.

Overseas collectors can obtain these stamps by writing to the Philatelic Bureau, Postmaster General, Brunei Darussalam to making a standing order. Such requests should be accompanied by a deposit of at least \$30.





Visitors to the Royal Brunei Airlines stand showed much interest.

## RBA at Taiwan Travel Fair

Royal Brunei Airlines attracted the interest of over 150,000 Taiwanese and many international trade and media visitors during the three-day Taiwan Trade Fair last month.

The show which closed on December 13, 1987 was participated in by the national airline and two leading local hotels.

In all some 70,000 items of literature were given out to visitors some of whom were hearing about Brunei Darussalam for the first time.

Selling points included the Sultanate's heritage, natural beauty and gateway connecting services to other regional and international destinations.

A special display of Bruneian silverware drew much interest from visitors.

An RBA spokesman described the airline's outing in Taipei as 'a major success.'

'Considering we were competing for visitor attention against some of the biggest names in international travel trade. To meet

so much interest from people who hardly knew anything about our nation before made going to the fair worthwhile,' he added.

## Brunei Malay in a minute

Each month in the Brunei Darussalam newsletter we introduce readers to common Malay words as used in this country. This month the word selected is *gauk*.

*Gauk* is used to describe disobedient or troublesome behaviour from children. The equivalent of the word *gauk* in standard Malay is *nakal* or simply *naughty* in English.

The sentence below can help to understand how the word is used.

*Pengetua sekolah telah mengenakan tindakan disiplin terhadap penuntut gauk itu kerana ia suka mengganggu penuntut-penuntut lain.*

The principal has taken a disciplinary action against the naughty student because he is fond of disturbing other students.





In the men's open event Brunei Darussalam's Mohd Rushidi Abdullah (right) was beaten by Alberto Cerro Leon of Spain in the finals.

by courtesy of Umbu bin Ahmad

## 3 silver 7 bronze medals for silat

**B**runei Darussalam picked up three silver and seven bronze medals at the World Silat Championships in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on December 2, 1987.

Silver medals came through Mohd Rusidi Abdullah, male free class, Fadilah Ghani, male B class and Michelene Bryant, female C class.

Indonesia were overall champions with hosts Malaysia coming second. Some 300 participants from Asia, Europe, Africa and the Pacific took part.

## Your turn

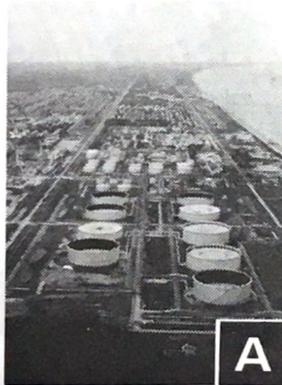
The next issue of the *Brunei Darussalam newsletter* will appear during the first week of February 1988. If there are events relating to our country you would like featured in this newsletter please call us on Tel: 02-40527 or better still, send us a report with a picture, if possible. Contributions for our next issue should arrive by January 15, 1988. All editorial rights reserved.

## Readers' new year gifts

**T**he editorial office was snowed (pardon the pun) under with entries for our 'Sultanate scenes' quiz that closed last month.

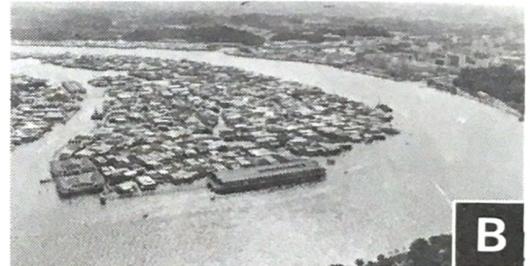
The flattering response is again indication that BD continues to play a role in bringing to our international readership concise and precise reports on current affairs in Brunei Darussalam.

As most of you knew the correct answers let me just confirm that



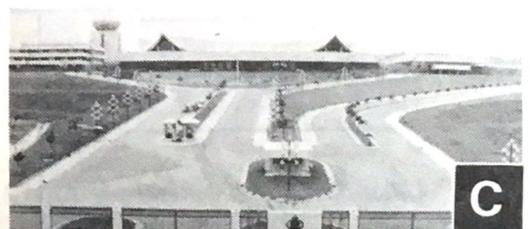
**A**

The centre of the Sultanate's petroleum industry is: —  
Seria



**B**

This scene in Bandar Seri Begawan is of the famous: —  
Water village



**C**

The official residence of His Majesty The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam is: —  
Nurul Iman Palace

*Congratulations to all those who got the answers right. The first fifty all-correct answers out of the bag won our custom-monogrammed pens which should be winging their way to the winners by now. All other correct entries will receive a special surprise consolation prize.*

*Thank you all who also took time to express your opinions and suggestions for the newsletter. We are seriously considering some of those and hope to make improvements during 1988 and for those who asked for Bruneian cookery recipes we cannot promise a regular column but we shall certainly come up with something now and then. **ED.***

## Bush style shampoo

The fragrant screwpine known locally as the *pandan wangi* is favourite among housewives when it comes to flavouring sweetmeats porridge and even syrup drinks.

*Padanus odorus* is a widely cultivated plant growing luxuriantly in damp, shady areas. The leaves, the darker and the older the more fragrant, are either bruised, tied into a bunch and dropped into the pot or pounded to a pulp and the juice added to the food; the food takes on a delicate fragrance much sought after by traditional chefs.

The juice of the pulped *pandan wangi* is also used as a hair shampoo and is said to deal dandruff problems a proper blow.

A sister plant to the *pandan wangi* the screwpine has leaves up to two metres long with a row of spines along the edge of the leaves. This grows wild and the leaves are treated to extract fibre called *mengkuang*, used in the making of mats baskets and other light-duty basketry items.

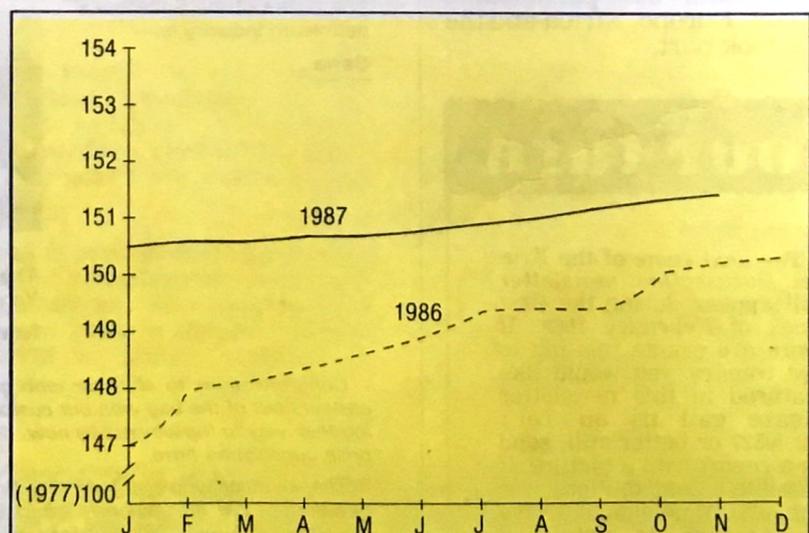


## BRUNEI IN BRIEF

Capital City :	Bandar Seri Begawan
Land size :	5765 sq.km
Population :	222,000 (1985)
Official Language :	Malay
Official Religion :	Islam
November 1987 rainfall :	388.2 mm. (annual 2,818mm)

## PRIME LENDING RATE

December 6.5%. (quoted by Bankers' Association).



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