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His Majesty at the 8th Officers Cadet School Sovereign Parade

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 2 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, Minister of Defence and Supreme Commander of the Royal Brunei Armed Forces (RBAF) consented to attend the 8th Officers Cadet School Sovereign Parade at Sungai Akar Camp, Brunei Darussalam.

On arrival, His Majesty was greeted by Dato Paduka Awang

Haji Mustappa bin Haji Sirat, Deputy Ministry of Defence and Major General Dato Paduka Seri Haji Aminuddin Ihsan bin Pehin Orang Kaya Saiful Mulok Dato Seri Paduka Haji Abidin, Commander of the RBAF.

His Majesty consented to receive the royal salute and inspected the guard of honour parade led by Lieutenant Khairul Faizin bin Haji Abdul Gapar. This was then followed by a march-past.

In this historic ceremony and following army tradition, His Majesty

consented to deliver a *titah* (royal speech) and awarded the best officer cadets for every department from 8th intake Officer Cadet School.

His Majesty presented the Sword of Honour award to 19966 Officer Cadet Haji Mohd Hisham Abdullah @ Pg Haji Mahrup who holds a MSc in management and MEng in Chemical Engineering from University of Bath, United Kingdom. The Sword of Honour is the core symbol of excellence awarded to cadets who have excelled overall in academic, military and physical areas as well

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– Palace newsround — His Majesty receives audience from **United States senior defence official**



BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 4 - His Majesty Dato Paduka Seri Awang Haii Aminuddin Ihsan bin Pehin Orang Kaya Saiful Mulok Dato Seri Paduka Haji Abidin, Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al- Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul RBAF Commander; His Excellency Daniel Luke Shields, Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Darussalam and Supreme Commander of Royal Brunei United States to Brunei Darussalam; Dato Paduka Awang Armed Forces (RBAF) received in audience His Excellency Haji Hamdan bin Haji Abu Bakar, Permanent Secretary of Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III, Commander of the United the Prime Minister's Office; and Colonel (Retired) Pengiran States Pacific Command at the Istana Nurul Iman. His Dato Paduka Azmansham bin Pengiran Haji Mohamad, Excellency is in Brunei Darussalam for a three-day Permanent Secretary (Defence Policy and Development) introductory visit. Ministry of Defence

Also attending the audience ceremony were Major General

His Majesty receives audience

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN. February 14 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al- Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam received in audience at the Istana Nurul Iman in His Excellency William E. Todd, Ambassador of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Cambodia and His Excellency David L. Carden, Ambassador of the United States of America to ASEAN.

His Excellency William E. Todd and His Excellency David L. Carden are in Brunei Darussalam for a three-day visit.

Also in attendance at the audience ceremony was the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States to Brunei Darussalam, His Excellency Daniel L. Shields.



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and Supreme Commander of Royal **Brunei Armed Forces consented** to receive in audience His Excellency Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III, Commander of the United States Pacific Command.

The ceremony took place in Istana Nurul Iman.

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His Majesty presents and receives letters of credence

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN. February 26 - His Majesty Sultan Haii Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haii Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien. The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to present Letters of Credence to Dato Paduka Awang Haji Abd. Ghafar bin Haji Ismail Permanent Representative of Brunei Darussalam to the United Nations in New York, United States of America; and Yang Dimuliakan Pehin Datu Panglima Colonel (Retired) Dato Paduka Haji Abdul Jalil bin Haji Ahmad, Ambassador Extraordinary and

to the Federal Republic Germany.

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His Majesty also consented to receive Letters of Credence from two to separately receive in audience newly-appointed heads of foreign representatives to the country; His Excellency Jean-Yves Berthault, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of France; and His Excellency Saul Castellon, Ambassador Arana Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Republic of Nicaragua (residing in Tokyo, Japan).

His Majesty then consented to receive Iman.

Plenipotentiary of Brunei Darussalam in audience the newly-appointed Ambassadors and Permanent Representatives.

> His Majesty also then consented the Ambassadors Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of France and Republic of Nicaragua.

> Also attending the audience ceremony was Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Pekerma Dewa Dato Seri Setia Lim Jock Seng, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade II (Second). The ceremony took place at Istana Nurul



His Majesty consented to receive Letters of Credence from Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Nicaragua (residing in Tokyo, Japan), His Excellency Saul Arana Castellon.



Her Majesty receives audience from spouse of US Commander

SERI BEGAWAN, BANDAR February 4 - Her Majesty Duli Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha binti Al-Marhum Pengiran Pemancha Pengiran Anak Haji Mohamed Alam consented to receive in audience Madam Pamela A. Locklear, spouse of His Excellency Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III, Commander of the United States Pacific Command.

During the ceremony, Madam Locklear was accompanied by the spouse of the the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States to Brunei Darussalam, Madam Sangeeta Shields.

Also in attendance was the spouse of the Royal Brunei Navy Commander, Datin Hajah Umiyati binti Haji Mohd Noor.





HRH Crown Prince receives Commander of the US Pacific Command

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, FEBRUARY 5 - His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu`izzaddin Waddaulah, the Deputy Sultan received in audience His Excellency Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III, Commander of the United States Pacific Command. The ceremony took place at Qashr Al-Meezaan. His Excellency Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III is currently in a three day visit to Brunei Darussalam.

Also present during the audience ceremony was Major General Dato Paduka Seri Awang Haji Aminuddin Ihsan bin Pehin Orang Kaya Saiful Mulok Dato Seri Paduka Haji Abidin, the Commander of the Royal Brunei Armed Forces. and His Excellency Daniel Luke Shields, the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States to Brunei Darussalam,

His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu`izzaddin Waddaulah, the Deputy Sultan received in audience His Excellency Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III, Commander of the United States Pacific Command.

Congratulatory Messages

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam sent congratulatory messages to:

· His Excellency Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran in conjunction with the republic's 33rd National Day on February 10.

• His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Emir of the State of Kuwait and His Highness Sheikh Jaber Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait, as well as the Government and people of the State of Kuwait on the occasion of Kuwait's 51st National Day on February 25.

• Her Excellency Park Geun-hye on the appointment as The President of Republic of Korea on February 25.

• His Excellency Truong Tan Sang, President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and his Prime Minister, His Excellency Nguyen Tan Dung in conjunction with the 20th Diplomatic Relationship between Brunei Darussalam and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam on February 28.



Her Majesty Duli Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha binti Al-Marhum Pengiran Pemancha Pengiran Anak Haji Mohamed Alam and Madam Pamela A. Locklear, spouse of His Excellency Admiral Samuel J. Locklear III, Commander of the United States Pacific Command.

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as possesing great characteristics such as commitment, leadership and positive mindset all throughout the training.

19966 Officer Cadet Hj Mohd Hisham Abdullah @ Pg Hj Mahrup will be the Head of Platoon 10, Company D, in the First Batalion, Royal Brunei Land Force.

His Majesty then awarded Best Military Skills Award to Officer Cadet 16472 (U) Muhd Ali Hj Murni Saddigin who graduated from Lim Kok Wing University, Malaysia. He holds a BSc (Hons) in Information Technology. This award was given to him due to his success in all military academic study where he obtained the highest cumulative percentage in all subjects. He will now become a pilot in training, No 63 Squadron, Royal Brunei Air Force.

Officer Cadet 19984 (L) Ak Faizul Azmizan Pg Hj Razali/ Rajali was awarded "Best in Physical Training Endurance" award. He holds Higher National Diploma (HND) in Computer Systems and Communication Engineering. This was due to his excellent achievement in Physical Training during the training, it shows his excellent physical condition, consistent and showed positive development during his physical training. he will be posted to be an officer-in-training, KDB Darulaman, Royal Brunei Navy.

The ceremony was continued with chants of 'Daulat Kebawah Duli Tuan Patik' from the parade team and followed by the reading of doa selamat prayer by Captain Ariffin Amit, assistant head of the RBAF Religious Department (JA'MAAT).

"Best in Academic Award" was awarded to 21701 Officer Cadet Wafa Nabilah Abdullah, a graduate from University of Sussex, United Kingdom. She holds an MA in international security. She scored great academic achievement from writing essays, examinations, and possess diverse knowledge on current issues and briefing presentation. She will be assigned to be an academic advisor at the Defence Academy, the RBAF.

His Majesty then went to Sungai Akar Officers' Mess to be greeted by officer cadets and their family members. His Majesty also received a pesambah (royal token of appreciation) called 'Rehal Thamaniah'. This pesambah was inspired by 8 pillars formed into a rehal and 'Thamaniah' is an Arabic word for number eight and have a concept of rehal, where the purpose is to lift the Al-Quran book and showed religious characteristics and piety from 8th Officer Cadets. It also shows loyalty to religion, race and country to make Brunei Darussalam into Negara Zikir which uses Al-Quran and Sunnah as a guide.

His Majesty also signed a Royal Parchment and received the 8th Intake Officer Cadet Book of Journey and followed by greetings from instructors and officer cadets including foreign army officers from friendly nations.

His Majesty participates in Brunei Darussalam Regatta 2013

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 3 - The Brunei Darussalam Regata (RBD) 2013 has evidently revived the nostalgia and memories of the 70s with the festivities of the Brunei river.

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to grace the Royal Wharf in Bandar Seri Begawan for the highlights and special event of RBD 2013.

Also gracing the event were His Royal Highness Prince Haii Al-Muhtadee Billah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office: His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah; His Royal Highness Prince Jefri Bolkiah and His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik.



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to lead Committee Team 'A' for the Fibre Glass15 Rowers Race.

The arrival of His Majesty and royal family members was welcomed by Yang Berhormat Pehin Udana Khatib Dato Paduka Seri Setia Ustaz Haji Awang Badaruddin bin Pengarah Dato Paduka Haji Óthman, Minister of Home Affairs as the Chairman of the RBD 2013 Executive Committee and other members of the committee.

His Majesty then consented to sign the Royal Wharf plaque and then ushered to the Royal Wharf jetty to participate and lead the Committee 'A' Team in the Special Boat Race (15 Rowers Fibre Glass). The Committee 'A' Team won first place in the event.

Second place was won by Committee 'B' Team which was led by His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, while third place went to the Ministers and Deputy Ministers Team.

Accompanying His Majesty at the Brunei Regatta were His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, His Royal Ministers, Deputy Ministers, High Commissioners and committee members also competed in the 1500 meter special boat race. Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah, His Royal Highness Prince Jefri Bolkiah and His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik.

His Majesty also consented to view the RBD 2013 Nostalgic Exhibition 1930-2012 and witness some races as well release the start of the race for the Traditional Boat Race 30 Rowers Marathon in Kuala Sungai Lumapas.

His Majesty then consented to present prizes to the winners of the races.

The combination of Royal Brunei Police Force and Kampung Sungai Bunga succeeded in winning His Majesty's Trophy Award in the Traditional Boat Race 30 Rowers Marathon. Second place was won by GAMTA from Brunei-Muara District and third place won by Putera Kuala Lawas.

The Crown Prince Trophy Award was won by Extreme Viking, Kuching, Alfian Yanto bin Haji Kadri; second place, Mohd. Affendy bin Haji Kadri and third place, Awang Ma'arof bin Haji Mahari from Kuala Belait.

Among the invited guests were heads of states, foreign diplomats in the country, heads and senior officers of government departments and private sector, as well as penghulus and village heads.

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His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah consented to award trophies to winners.



His Majesty attends 12th OIC Summit



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam welcomed by the Egyptian Minister of Civil Aviation, His Excellency Wael El Medawi at the Cairo International Airport.

CAIRO, February 5 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam arrived at Cairo International Airport to attend a two-day meeting of the 12th Session of the Islamic Summit Conference.

His Majesty's arrival was welcomed by Minister of Civil Aviation, Egypt, his Excellency Wael El Medawi at Cairo International Airport,

The meeting will start on February 6 until 7 with the theme 'The Muslim World: New Challenges and Expanding' to discuss issues of concern in the Islamic world, especially on the Israel situation, political issues which involve OIC member countries, combating slander towards the holiness and greatness of Islam and eliminating hate and fear towards Islam.

Accompanying His Majesty were Finance Minister II at Prime Minister's Office, Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Laila Setia Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Abdul Rahman bin Haji Ibrahim and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Second), Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Pekerma Dewa Dato Seri Setia Lim Jock Seng.

Four-eye meeting with President of Egypt

CAIRO, February 5 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam met with His Excellemcy Dr. Mohamed Morsy, President of The Islamic Republic of Egypt. held in Meeting Room at Koubbeh Palace.

The meeting was followed with a banquet dinner hosted by His Excellency the President in honour of His Majesty's visit.

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and His Excellency Dr. Mohamed Morsy, President of Arab Republic of Egypt.



Students are advised to be aware of current national development



CAIRO, February 5 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Omar 'Ali Saiffuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien. The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam called for students to be concerned with current national development.

His Majesty spoke of this during the Get Together Ceremony with the Citizens, Residents and Students of Brunei Darussalam in Egypt which took place at Grand Ballroom, Intercontinental Cairo Citystars Hotel in Cairo.

His Majesty recalled the opportunity to meet the students in the United Kingdom where he found that they were aware of national development issues.

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His Majesty The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam delivering a titah (royal speech) at the Get-Together Ceremony.

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"I am now in Cairo, meeting students here. It is no The establishments or developments are not only in doubt that these students are those who are lucky to have material developments, but also in spiritual aspects. the opportunity to study in renowned learning institutions, Besides having court buildings, Brunei Darussalam also specifically Al-Azhar University, which is known as the oldest university in the world, which until now still has the Shariah Criminal Laws Act or Shariah Penal Code produces famous Islamic scholars across the world." said Other than building and various infrastructure, we have His Majesty.

According to His Majesty, Brunei Darussalam needs more religious graduates in line with current development which is growing swiftly and rapidly.

There are 155 students from Brunei Darussalam in Republic of Arab Mesir who are undergoing their studies at Al-Azhar University, Kaherah University and Iskandariah University, while four are undergoing in-service training, two of them in Cairo University and the other two at Language International Institute.

institutions.

His Majesty is aware of the roles and responsibilities On the welfare of the students, His Majesty consented are getting tougher which need new and fresh human for the government to bear the cost of up-front payment resources that can only be produced by higher education and a guarantee to lease a building for the purpose of the students' activities. His Majesty also consented to a specific allowance rate for students pursuing their His Majesty also added that Brunei Darussalam is not Master's-level studies in Egypt and consented for the as that as in the past 50 or 60 years ago but is rapidly balance of the allowances to be aligned with the new rate.





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also made religious education compulsory and taken steps in protecting the image and Islamic values, which among them, is the closure of business premises on Friday until the completion of Friday prayers.

This, His Majesty explained, is the example of change and improvement in Brunei Darussalam which also awaits the guality religious human resources who can instill it. This is where the students are being depended on.

Therefore, His Majesty also reminded the students to study hard and focus on their studies, not on other places.

> His Majesty The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to mingle with the students currently undergoing studies in Egypt.





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His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to award housekeys to recipients under the National Housing Plan and the Rakyat Jati Land Award Scheme in the Belait District.

KUALA BELAIT, February 20 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to award house keys to 579 recipients under the National Housing Plan and the Rakyat Jati Land Award Scheme in the Belait District.

which comprised of 12 semi-detached houses, 40 'D' style terrace houses, 42 'E' style terrace houses and 48 'F' style houses wheras in the Lumut/Sungai Liang Housing Plan, 184 applicants were awarded 176 terrace houses and 8 basic houses and at the Lorong Tengah Seria National Housing Plan a total of 253 applicants were awarded 118 semi-detached houses and 135 terrace houses.

His Majesty consented to award house keys to 142 applicants of the Mumong Rakyat Jati Land Award Scheme

The ceremony took place at the Hall of the International Conference Building in Jalan McKerron, Kuala Belait.

His Majesty pays serious attention to educational development

KUALA BELAIT, February 20 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to visit two schools; Pengiran Setia Jaya Pengiran Abdul Momin primary school and Pengiran Jaya Negara Pengiran Haji Abu Bakar Secondary School in Kuala Belait.

His Majesty's arrival at Pengiran Setia Jaya Pengiran Abdul Momin primary school was welcomed by the school headmaster Dayang Rabizah binti Haji Ibrahim, teachers and students of the school. The school is comprised of 555 students, 54 teachers and 10 staff.

During the visit, His Majesty visited the special building used for special needs students as well as for holding extracurricular activities. His Majesty also visited some classes and witnessed lessons being taught to students.

At Pengiran Jaya Negara Pengiran Haji Abu Bakar Secondary School, His Majesty was presented with a Taekwondo performance by the taekwondo club and the SINAR briefing organised by the Career and Counselling department of the school. The school is made up of 992 students and 107 teachers.



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to visit classes and interact with students.

His Majesty attends prayers in conjunction with 29th National Day Celebration

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 22 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah National Day Celebration; Yang Berhormat Pengiran Dato Seri Setia Dr. Haji Mohammad bin Pengiran Haji Abdul ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Rahman and members of the committee for the National Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Day Celebration. Darussalam consented to attend the Maghrib and Isyak Prayers, Surah Yaa Siin recital and 'Doa Kesyukuran' The Maghrib prayers and the Sunat Hajat prayers was Thanksgiving Prayers in conjunction with the 29th National led by Yang Dimuliakan Pehin Orang Kaya Paduka Seri Day Celebration at the Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Mosque in Utama Dato Paduka Seri Setia Awang Haji Salim bin Haji Bandar Seri Begawan. Besar

Accompanying His Majesty were His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office; His Royal Highness Prince Haji 'Abdul 'Azim; His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik; His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen and His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Wakeel.

The arrival of His Majesty and members of the royal family were welcomed by Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Pekerma Laila Diraja Dato Seri Setia Awang Hazair bin Haji Abdullah, Minister of Youth, Culture and Sports as the Chairman of the Executive Committee for the



His Majesty The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to receive junjung ziarah greetings before leaving the Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Mosque.



The Isyak prayers were led by Yang Berhormat Pehin Datu Imam Dato Paduka Seri Setia Ustaz Haji Awang Abdul Hamid bin Bakal.

Before leaving the mosque, His Majesty consented to receive junjung ziarah greetings from the attendees.

His Majesty The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam during the mass prayers held in conjunction with the 29th National Day celebration.

His Majesty attends National Day mass gathering

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BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 23 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to attend the Mass Gathering in conjunction with the 29th National Day Celebration of Brunei Darussalam at the Taman Haji Sir Muda Omar `Ali Saifuddien in Bandar Seri Begawan.

Accompanying His Majesty were His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office; His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah; His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah; His Royal Highness Prince Jefri Bolkiah; His Royal Highness Prince Haji 'Abdul 'Azim; His Roval Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik: His Roval Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen; His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Wakeel and Her Royal Highness Princess Ameerah Wardatul Bolkiah.

Shortly upon arrival, His Majesty consented to inspect the Guard of Honour by personnel from the Royal Brunei Armed Forces (RBAF) and the Royal Brunei Police Force (RBPF).

This year's Mass Gathering involved 22,000 people from a combination of 129 groups and 7,700 participants taking part in field performances as well as students lined up at the main roads to wave national flags.

The procession was led by teams carrying the giant Brunei Darussalam national flag followed by the flag bearing the National Day logo.



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam at the 29th National Day Celebration of Brunei Darussalam at the Taman Haji Sir Muda Omar 'Ali Saifuddien in Bandar Seri Begawan.



This was then followed by members of the RBAF; RBPF; uniformed personnel; National Service Programme (PKBN) 2012-2013; government ministries and departments; representatives from districts; private sector; higher education institutions; colleges; schools; associations and public organisations; foreign groups in Brunei Darussalam; the seven tribe members and the oath readers' team.

Also participating the procession was His Majesty's grandson, Yang Amat Mulia Pengiran Anak 'Abdul Raqiib bin Pengiran Maharaja Setia Laila Diraja Sahibul Irshad Pengiran Anak Haji Abdul Rahim joining the Yayasan Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah School.

The highlight of the event was the recital of the National Day oath and takbir chanting 'Allahu Akbar' which was lead by a representative of Ministry of Education, Awang Muhammad Ghani bin Awang Ahmad.

His Majesty and members of the royal family also witnessed colorful field performances.

The National Day *'ikrar'* (oath) was lead by Awang Muhammad Ghani bin Awang Ahmad.

News Her Majesty graces the 19th Special Women Assembly

JERUDONG, February 2 - Her Majesty Duli Raja Isteri Her Majesty consented to present meritorious awards to Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha binti Al-Marhum Pengiran four women who have contributed in helping to uphold and Pemancha Pengiran Anak Haji Mohamed Alam consented develop the spread and appreciation of Islam among the to attend the 19th Special Women Assembly in conjunction community. with the birthday celebration of Prophet Muhammad The Special Women Meritorious Award 1434 Hijrah

(Peace Be Upon Him) for the year 1434 Hijrah. recipients were Datin Hajah Maimoonah binti Haji Omar; Dayang Hajah Damit binti Mohd. Yusof; Datin Hajah Masni Also present were Her Royal Highness Pengiran Anak binti Haji Awang; and Datin Hajah Maliha@Mihah binti Isteri Pengiran Anak Sarah binti Pengiran Haji Salleh Ab Rahaman; Her Royal Highness Pengiran Anak Haji Sanip. Each of them received a \$10,000 cash prize, Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Zariah; Her Royal Highness a certificate of merit, an accompanying souvenir and free Princess Hajah Rashidah Sa'adatul Bolkiah; Her Royal medical services at first class wards in any of the country's Highness Princess Hajah Majeedah Nuurul Bolkiah; hospitals. Her Royal Highness Princess Fadzilah Lubabul Bolkiah; 'Muslimah Solehah Keluarga Bahagia' which means Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Masna; and Her 'Pious Muslim Women Happy Family' is the theme for this Royal Highness Princess Hajah Amal Umi Kalthum year's assembly. Al-Islam.





Her Majesty Duli Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha binti Al-Marhum Pengiran Pemancha Pengiran Anak Haji Mohamed Alam with the Chairperson of the Asia Pacific Regional Committee, Board of the World Association of Girl Guides and Scouts (WAGGGS) from the Republic of Singapore, Madam Low Loh Jeng and the Asia-Pacific regional director, World WAGGGS Bureau from Australia, Madam Ching Ching Wee Ong.

Her Majesty Duli Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha binti Al-Marhum Pengiran Pemancha Pengiran Anak Haji Mohamed Alam consented to award the Bakti Hijrah Special Awards to Datin Haiah Maimoonah binti Haji Omar; Dayang Hajah Damit binti Mohd. Yusof; Datin Hajah Masni binti Haji Awang; and Datin Hajah Maliha @ Mihah binti Haji Sanip.

Her Majesty receives in audience WAGGGS Chairperson and Regional Director

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 5 - Her Majesty Duli Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Hajah Saleha binti Ál-Marhum Pengiran Pemancha Pengiran Anak Haji Mohamed Alam, Royal Patron of Brunei Darussalam Girl Guides Association consented to receive in audience Chairperson of the Asia Pacific Regional Committee, Board of the World Association of Girl Guides and Scouts (WAGGGS) from the Republic of Singapore, Madam Low Loh Jeng and the Asia-Pacific regional director, World WAGGGS Bureau from Australia, Madam Ching Ching Wee Ong.

Also attending was Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Rashidah binti His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah as the president of the Brunei Darussalam Girl Guides Association.

Also in attendance were Dayang Hajah Siti Haisah binti Haji Abdul Halim, Commissioner of the Brunei Darussalam Girl Guides Association, Dayang Hajah Viviyanti binti Haji Ali, Deputy Commissioner and Dayang Aida binti Haji Abd. Rahman, the Honorary Secretary.

HRH Crown Prince receives Crown Prince of Kelantan

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BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 9 - His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at The Prime Minister's Office welcomed the arrival of His Royal Highness Tengku Muhammad Fa-iz Petra ibni Sultan Ismail Petra, The Crown Prince of Kelantan at a luncheon held at Qashr Al-Meezaan.

Also attending was His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah.

His Royal Highness The Crown Prince of Kelantan and delegation is in the country for a three-day visit.

On a different occasion, His Royal Highness The Crown Prince of Kelantan visited the Brunei Darussalam Islamic Religious Council (MUIB) at the State Legislative Council in Berakas and Jame' 'Asr Hassanil Bolkiah in Kiarong and the Royal Regalia Building in the capital.



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu`izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at The Prime Minister's Office and His Royal Highness Tengku Muhammad Fa-iz Petra ibni Sultan Ismail Petra, The Crown Prince of Kelantan.

Brunei maintains commitment to HoB initiative



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister as the Royal Patron of the Brunei Darussalam Heart of Borneo National Council officially launched the HoB Seminar for Sungai Ingei Faunal Expedition Project.

JERUDONG, FEBRUARY 9 - Brunei Darussalam needs to continue efforts in preservations explored by the Government of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam through the Ministry of Industry and Primary Resources to ensure protected forest environment can be maintained all the time and inherited by generations to come.

His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister as the Royal Patron of the Brunei Darussalam Heart of Borneo (HoB) National Council spoke that the wise step towards this is continuously maintained and further strengthened with the commitment of allocating 58 percent of the entire country area to the HoB initiative.

His Royal Highness explained that even though the area is only 1.6 percent of the whole HoB initiative, it is a huge and challenging commitment for the country, in his sabda during the Opening Ceremony of the HoB Seminar for the Sungai Ingei Faunal Expedition Project held at the Indera Samudera Grand Hall, The Empire Hotel and Country Club in Jerudong.

However, His Royal Highness stated, the commitment will be more meaningful if the research efforts which are much deeper through the implementation of projects which have been identified under the 'HoB' can be implemented successfully including studies and research about habitats, ecology as well as the threats towards forest environment, to prevent extinction and loss of wildlife, especially exotic wildlife which are under threat.

His Royal Highness also expressed his happiness in acknowledging one main project under the HoB Initiative which is the Sungai Ingei Faunal Expedition Project conducted by Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD) in cooperation with a bank in the country as its sponsor.

His Royal Highness also spoke about the importance of the preservation and protection of fauna as well as thanking the HoB partners for their support and assistance and hoped that the efforts will remain continuously.

His Royal Highness Crown Prince receives audiences

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His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office received in audience His Excellency William E. Todd, Ambassador of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Cambodia and His Excellency David L. Carden, Ambassador of the United States of America to ASEAN.

His Royal Highness Birthday Celebration

BERAKAS, February 17 - His Royal Highness Prince General Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, General of the Royal Brunei Armed Forces (RBAF) and Her Royal Highness Pengiran Anak Isteri Pengiran Anak Sarah binti Pengiran Haji Salleh Ab Rahaman consented to grace the High Tea Ceremony held to commemorate His Royal Highness' 39th birthday which was hosted by the RBAF.

Accompanying Their Royal Highnesses was His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah.

The arrival of His Royal Highness and Her Royal Highness was welcomed by Yang Mulia Dato Paduka Awang Haji Mustappa bin Haji Sirat, Deputy Minister of Defence, and Major General Dato Paduka Seri Awang Haji Aminuddin Ihsan bin Pehin Orang Kaya Saiful Mulok Dato Seri Paduka Haii Abidin. Commander of the Roval Brunei Armed Forces, (RBAF). This was followed by a group photo session with the senior officers of Ministry of Defence and RBAF.

His Royal Highness and Her Royal Highness then consented to sign the Royal Parchment and view a video clip showing the collection of photos of His Royal Highness' visits to Ministry of Defence and RBAF.

His Royal Highness and also consented to receive a photo book entitled 'Sejambak Ristaan VI' featuring a collection of photographs from His Royal Highness' visits to Ministry of Defence and RBAF.

As the highlight of the event, His Royal Highness the Crown Prince consented to cut the birthday cake and was later presented with a Pesambah.

His Royal Highness and Her Royal Highness then To bless the ceremony, a doa kesyukuran was recited consented to receive 'Junjung Ziarah' greetings as well as by the Assistant Head of RBAF Religious Department mingle with the officers from the Ministry of Defence and (JA'MAAT), Captain Ariffin bin Amit. RBĂF.

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, **February 14** - His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office received an audience from His Excellency William E. Todd, Ambassador of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Cambodia and His Excellency David L. Carden, Ambassador of the United States of America to ASEAN at Qashr Al-Meezan .

His Excellency William E. Todd and His Excellency David L. Carden were in Brunei Darussalam for a three-day visit.

Also in attendance at the audience ceremony was His Excellency Daniel L. Shields, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States to Brunei Darussalam.



His Royal Highness Prince Genral Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, General of the Royal Brunei Armed Forces (RBAF) consented to cut the birthday cake presented by the RBAF.



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, and Deputy Inspector General of Police, Royal Brunei Police Force (RPBF) consented to receive junjung ziarah greetings from RBPF officers.

His Royal Highness attends birthday High Tea Celebration

JERUDONG, FEBRUARY 18 - His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, and Deputy Inspector General of Police, Royal Brunei Police Force (RBPF) and Her Royal Highness Pengiran Anak Isteri Pengiran Anak Sarah binti Pengiran Haji Salleh Ab Rahaman consented to grace the High Tea Ceremony held to commemorate His Royal Highness' 39th birthday which was hosted by the Royal Brunei Police Force.

Also attending were His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik, Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Masna binti Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar `Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Commandant of Women Police and Yang Amat Mulia Pengiran Lela Cheteria Sahibun Najabah Pengiran Anak Haji Abdul Aziz bin Pengiran Jaya Negara Pengiran Haji Abu Bakar.

The arrival of their Royal Highnesses and other members of the royal family at the Royal Berkshire hall was welcomed by Yang Dimuliakan Pehin Orang Kaya Pendikar Alam Dato Paduka Seri Awang Haji Hasrin bin Dato Paduka Awang Haji Sabtu, Commissioner of Police, senior police officers and spouses.

His Royal Highness and Her Royal Highness consented to join a photo session with senior RBPF officers and spouses followed by the signing of the Royal Parchment.

Before leaving the ceremony, His Royal Highness and



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah consented to sign the Royal Parchment.

Her Royal Highness then consented to receive '*Junjung Ziarah*' greetings from officers and their spouses.

His Royal Highness was appointed as Deputy Inspector General of Police on 5 May 2005 by His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam where since then His Royal Highness regularly conducts working visits to the Royal Brunei Police Force to examine closely the roles and responsibilities of the Royal Brunei Police force as the oldest law enforcement agency in the country.



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's at the National Service Programme (PKBN) Third Intake Training Camp at the Sports Village, Hassanal Bolkiah National Sports Complex.

His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah visits PKBN Camp

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 27 - His Royal His Royal Highness then inspected the PKBN guard of Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty honour made up of 199 trainees. Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime His Royal Highness also witnessed several performances including the PKBN Cheer, the singing Minister's Office consented to attend the National Service Programme (PKBN) Third Intake Training Camp at the of the 'Sedia Berbakti' song, marching, silat martial arts Sports Village, Hassanal Bolkiah National Sports Complex. performance and physical exercise performances by the PKBN trainees. His Royal Highness also had the opportunity to look closer at the paintball equipment used The arrival of His Royal Highness was welcomed by the Minister of Youth, Culture and Sports, Yang Berhormat by the trainees.

The arrival of His Royal Highness was welcomed by the Minister of Youth, Culture and Sports, Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Pekerma Laila Diraja Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Hazair bin Haji Abdullah, Deputy Minister of Youth, Culture and Sports, Yang Mulia Datin Paduka Dayamg Hajah Adina binti Haji Othman, Permanent Secretaries and Deputy Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Youth, Culture and Sports.

The event began with the Royal Salute followed by singing of the national anthem 'Allah Peliharakan Sultan' by the trainees. Before leaving, His Royal Highness consented to sign the Royal Parchment and receive a pesambah. This was followed by junjung ziarah greetings from trainees and trainers as well as a group photo session.



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His Royal Highness consented to inspect the PKBN guard of honour.



His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah holds bilateral talks

People's Republic of China. February 26 - His Roval Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar `Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade held bilateral discussions with His Excellency Yang Jiechi, Minister of Foreign Affairs, People's Republic of China, to discuss bilateral issues and regional cooperation, as part of a three-day visit.

Brunei Darussalam and the People's Republic of China have established diplomatic ties since 1991 and since then the bilateral relationship has developed and strengthened.

The discussions were held at the Diaoyutai State Guest House, Beijing.

His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade with His Excellency Yang Jiechi, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China.

Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Masna receives newly-appointed envoys

Bandar Seri Begawan, February 26 - Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Masna ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haii Omar `Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade received in audience the two newly-appointed heads of foreign representatives to the country; His Excellency Jean-Yves Berthault, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of France, and His Excellency Saul Arana Castellon, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Republic of Nicaragua (residing in Tokyo, Japan),

The audience ceremony was held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Masna ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade received in audience the two newly-appointed heads of foreign representatives to the country; Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of France, His Excellency Jean-Yves Berthault and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Republic of Nicaragua (residing in Tokyo, Japan), His Excellency Saul Arana Castellon.

Congratulatory Messages

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 22 - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam received messages of congratulations from Heads of State and foreign dignitaries in conjunction with Brunei Darussalam's 29th National Day Anniversary. The messages came from:

- His Majesty Al-Sultan Almu'tasimu Billahi Muhibbuddin Tuanku Alhaj Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah ibni 1. Almarhum Sultan Badlishah, Yang Di-Pertuan Agong Malaysia; His Majesty King Abdullah bin Abdul Aziz Al-Saud, Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques and King of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej, King of the Kingdom of Thailand; His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni, King of the Kingdom of Cambodia; His Majesty King Juan Carlos I, King of the Kingdom of Spain; His Majesty King Carl Gustaf the XVI, King of the Kingdom of Sweden; His Majesty King Albert II, King of the Kingdom of Belgium; Her Majesty Queen Koningin Beatrix Wilhelmina Armgrad, Queen of the Kingdom of the Netherlands; His Excellency Dr. Haji Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, President of the Republic of Indonesia; His Excellency Dr. Tony Tan Keng Yam, President of the Republic of Singapore; His Excellency Benigno S. Aquino III, President of the Republic of the Philippines; His Excellency Truong Tan Sang, President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam; His Excellency Choummaly Sayasone, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Lao; His Excellency U Thein Sein, President of the Republic of Union of Myanmar; His Excellency Taur Matan Ruak, President of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste; His Excellency Asif Ali Zardani, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan; His Excellency Hu Jintao, President of the People's Republic of China; His Excellency Pranab Mukiherjee, President of the Republic of India; His Excellency Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of the Socialist Democratic Republic of Sri Lanka; His Excellency Lee Myung-bak, President of the Republic of Korea; His Excellency Barack Obama. President of the United States of America: Her Excellency Quentin Bryce, AC, Governor-General of Australia; His Excellency David Johnston, Governor-General of Canada; His Excellency Joachim Gauck, President of the Federal Republic of Germany; His Excellency Vladimir V. Putin, President of the Federation of Russia; His Excellency Heinz Fischer, President of the Republic of Austria; His Excellency Rosen Plevneliev, President of the Republic of Bulgaria; His Excellency Michael D. Higgins, President of Ireland; His Excellency Viktor Yanukovych, President of Ukraine; His Excellency Nebojsa Radmanovic, Presiding Member of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina; His Excellency Almazbek Atambaev, President of the Republic of Kyrgyzstan; His Excellency Dr. Goodluck Ebele Jonathan, GCFR, President of the Federation Republic of Nigeria; His Excellency Ueli Maurer, President of the Federation of Swiss;

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- 35. His Royal Highness Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al-Khalifa, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bahrain;
- 36. The Right Honourable Dato' Seri Mohd. Najib bin Tun Abdul Razak, Prime Minister of Malaysia;
- 37. His Excellency Lee Hsien Loong, Prime Minister of the Republic of Singapore;
- 38. Her Excellency Yingluck Shinawatra, Prime Minister the Kingdom of Thailand;
- 39. His Excellency Nguyen Tan Dung, Prime Minister of Socialist Republic of Viet Nam;
- 40. His Excellency Thongsing Thammavong, Prime Minister of People's Democratic Republic of Lao;
- 41. His Excellency King Pervez Ashraf, Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan; and
- 42. The Right Honourable David Cameron MP, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

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National Flag hoisted to celebrate 29th National Day

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, February 10 -The giant National Flag of Brunei Darussalam was hoisted at the Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Foundation Complex in the capital at the Flag Hoisting ceremony in conjunction with the 29th National Day Celebration of Brunei Darussalam.

The national flag was handed over by Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Pekerma Laila Diraja Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Hazair bin Haji Abdullah, Minister of Youth, Culture and Sports, as the guest of honour to the Royal Brunei Navy who then conducted the hoisting ceremony accompanied by the National Anthem performed by the choirs from Sayidina Umar Al-Khattab Secondary School and the Pengiran Anak Puteri Hajah Masna Secondary School and the Royal Brunei Police Force brass band.

Yang Berhormat Pehin then presented flags and posters of the 29th National Day celebration to all four district office. The ceremony marks the hoisting of the national flag at all private residences, government and private sector offices in the whole country.

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