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AGONG SENDS GREETINGS TO NEW ZEALAND GOVERNOR-GENERAL

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 6 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar and the Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Najihah have sent greetings to New Zealand Governor-General Dame Catherine Tizard in conjunction with Waitangi Day.

In their message, they expressed confidence that the cordial ties of friendship and close cooperation between the two countries will continue to be further enhanced in the years ahead.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Acting Foreign Minister Datuk Abu Hassan Omar also sent similar messages to their respective counterparts Jim Bolger and Don McKinnon.

In his message, Dr Mahathir said he hoped to continue working closely with Bolger and is looking forward for a fruitful discussion during his forthcoming visit to New Zealand next month. -- Bernama