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AGONG SENDS GREETINGS TO WESTERN SAMOA

KUALA LUMPUR, May 31 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Tuanku Ja'afar, and Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad have conveyed their greetings to Western Samoa on the occasion of its independence day on June 1.

In his message to Western Samoa ruler, Malietoa Tanumafili II, Tuanku Ja'afar hoped that the existing friendship and cooperation between Malaysia and Western Samoa would continue to be enhanced.

Dr Mahathir, in his message to his counterpart, Tofilau Eti Alesana, said he was confident that the close bilateral relations would be further expanded and strengthened.

Foreign Minister Datuk Abdullah Ahmad Badawi also conveyed his congratulations to Alesana who is also Foreign Minister. -- BERNAMA

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