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KING SENDS NATIONAL DAY GREETINGS TO SOUTH KOREA

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 14 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Tuanku Ja'afar, sent a congratulatory message to South Korean President Kim Yong-sam on the occasion of the 52nd anniversary of the republic's National Day tomorrow.

According to a Wisma Putra statement here, Tuanku Ja'afar wished for President Kim's good health and wellbeing and continued peace and stability for the people of South Korea.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, in his message to his counterpart, Koh Kun, hoped that the increasing collaboration between the private sectors of both countries would give further impetus to the development of their trade and economic ties.

Foreign Minister Datuk Abdullah Ahmad Badawi also sent a similiar message to his Korean counterpart Yoo Chong-Ha. -- BERNAMA

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