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TUANKU JA'AFAR CONGRATULATES GERMANY ON ITS NATIONAL DAY

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 3 (Bernama) -- Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Najihah have extended their warm felicitations to German President Roman Herzog on the occasion of the German Unity Day today.

Herzog's visit to Malaysia last April has helped to promote closer understanding and cooperation between Germany and Malaysia, the King said in a conglaturatory message issued by the Foreign Ministry.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad also sent his sincere greetings and best wishes to German Chancellor Dr Helmut Kohl.

"I am encouraged by the ongoing efforts to further enhance our relations and cooperation particularly in the area of trade and economic relations," Dr Mahathir said.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi sent similar greetings to his counterpart Dr Klaus Kinkel. Abdullah hopes that his visit to Germany soon will promote closer bilateral relations.

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