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AGONG CONGRATULATES KUWAIT AND ROK NEW PRESIDENT

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 24 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar has sent a congratulatory message to the Emir of Kuwait Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah on the occasion of the emirate's 37th National Day today, the Foreign Ministry said.

"May Allah Almighty shower Your Highness with good health and happiness and that the State of Kuwait continues to enjoy peace, progress and prosperity under Your Highness' wise and able leadership," said the King in the message.

According to Wisma Putra, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad also sent a similar message to the Crown Prince and Prime Minister of Kuwait Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah Al Salim Al Sabah.

Dr Mahathir expressed the hope that both countries would continue to work closely to enhance relations.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, in congratulating his Kuwaiti counterpart and First Deputy Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah for the occasion, said he was convinced that Malaysia-Kuwait ties would continue to grow in the years to come.

In a separate statement, Wisma Putra said Tuanku Ja'afar also congratulated Kim Dae Jung for his inauguration as South Korea's new president today.

The King said he was confident that under Kim's leadership the existing cordial relations between South Korea and Malaysia would be further enhanced.

In congratulating Kim, Dr Mahathir said:"I look forward to working together with you to enhance our relations and overcome the present economic situation which have affected our nations and the region." --

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