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AGONG LAUNCHES YOUNGER BROTHER'S BIOGRAPHY

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 25 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar today launched the biography of his younger brother Tunku Abdullah in a simple yet sentimental ceremony at Istana Negara here.

Written by Tunku Abdullah's youngest son, Tunku Halim, the biography entitled "Tunku Abdullah - A Passion For Life" featured the 73-year-old Tunku Abdullah's life as a prince, politician and businessman.

The book also covered historical events in the country through his life during the World War II leading to Independence and the formation of Malaysia.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in his foreword said: "It is a nice way of looking at history through the life of a person who experienced it all. The Tunku tasted this variegated life in full."

Proceeds from the sale of the limited editions of the book would go to the MAA-Medicare Kidney Charity Fund while the Sultanah Bahiyah Foundation will benefit from Tunku Halim's royalties.

The book is now available at major bookstores.

At the launch, also attended by Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Najihah and Tunku Abdullah, the writer Tunku Halim read out excerpts from two chapters of the book.

After the launch, Tuanku Ja'afar presented the book to two special limited edition purchasers, Tan Sri Abu Zarim Omar and MBF Group chief executive officer Loy Teik Ngan.

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