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AGONG OPENS FOURTH SESSION OF THE NINTH PARLIAMENT

KUALA LUMPUR, March 23 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Najihah attended the opening ceremony of the Fourth Session of the Ninth Parliament today.

The royal couple was met on arrival at Parliament Square by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his wife, Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, and Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and his wife, Datin Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail.

They were then joined by Dr Mahathir and Anwar on a special dais where Tuanku Ja'afar received the royal salute. The "Negaraku" was then played.

Tuanku Ja'afar will deliver his royal address at 10.30am. -- BERNAMA
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