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AGONG RECEIVES CREDENTIALS FROM CUBAN ENVOY

KUALA LUMPUR, May 7 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar today received the credentials from the new Cuban ambassador to Malaysia Teresita de Jesus Fernandez Diaz at Istana Negara today.

Prior to her elevation as an ambassador, Diaz, 60, served as the Minister-Counsellor and Charge d'Affairs at the Cuban Embassy here.

Diaz, a political science graduate from Havana University, is married and have two daughters.

Speaking at the brief ceremony, Tuanku Ja'afar hoped that Malaysian-Cuban ties established in 1975 could be further enhanced through exchange of visits and bilateral cooperation in economic, trade and investment sectors.

" Such cooperation will contribute to the development and economic growth of both countries in efforts to uplift the people's standard of living," he said.

He said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's visit to Cuba in September last year and the signing of three important agreements signified the importance and commitment Malaysia placed in its relations with Cuba.

He also said close cooperation among South-South countries would enable the grouping's views to be heard loud and clear and respected in efforts to create a just and equitable international community.

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