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AGONG SENDS GREETINGS TO FIVE CENTRAL AMERICAN NATIONS

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 14 (Bernama) -- The Yang Di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar has sent congratulatory messages to the presidents of five central American and Caribbean countries on the occasion of their Independence Day.

In his message to Costa Rican President Dr Miguel Angel Rodriguez Echeverria, the King and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Najihah conveyed their best wishes for the peace and prosperity of the country.

Similar messages were also sent to El Salvador President Dr Armando Calderon Sol, President Alvaro Arzu Irigoyen of Guatemala, Carlos Roberto Flores of Honduras and Dr Arnoldo Aleman Lacayo of Nicaragua.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in his message to Dr Echeverria, expressed the hope that friendly ties between the two countries could be further enhanced in the years ahead.

He also expressed similar hope in his messages to the other four heads of state.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi in his message to his Costa Rican counterpart Roberto Rojas Lopez said he was happy that both countries enjoyed close relations and was confident the bilateral ties could be further strengthened.

He also sent similar messages to his four other counterparts - Ramon Gonzales Giner (El Salvador), Dr Eduardo Stein Barillas (Guatemala), Fernando Martinez (Honduras) and Eduardo Montealegre (Nicaragua).

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