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KING CONGRATULATES SAMOA'S HEAD OF STATE

KUALA LUMPUR, May 31 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar has congratulated Samoa's Head of State Malietoa Tanumafili II in conjunction with that country's Independence Day today.

The Foreign Ministry said that in a congratulatory message his majesty and the Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Najihah expressed hope that the existing good relations between Malaysia and Samoa would be strengthened further.

Wisma Putra said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad also sent a similar message to his counterpart Tofilau Eti Alesana.

In his message Dr Mahathir hoped that cooperation between both nations would further enhanced for mutual benefit.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi also congratulated Alesana, who is also Foreign minister, on the occasion of Samoa's Independence Day.

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