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Djibouti's President Aptidon given red carpet welcome

OFFICIAL WELCOME ... President Hassan Gouled Aptidon of Djibouti, accompanied by the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar, inspecting a guard-of-honour mounted by officers and men of the 1st Battalion Royal Malay Regiment at Parliament Square yesterday.

Tuanku Ja'afar later hosted a State banquet in honour of Aptidon at Istana Negara, where the King was conferred Djibouti's highest award - Grand Dignataire de la Grande Etoile.

Earlier, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad called on Aptidon at the Crown Princess Hotel. They later attended a bilateral delegation meeting at the Prime Minister's Department.

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