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AGONG SENDS GREETINGS TO CANADA

KUALA LUMPUR, July 1 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah has sent a congratulatory message to the Governor-General of Canada, Romeo Le Blanc, on the occasion of Canada Day today.

In his message, Sultan Salahuddin extended his best wishes for continued peace and prosperity of Canada and its people.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, in a similar message to his counterpart Jean Chretien, said he was confident that Canada would continue to enjoy peace, stability and economic progress under his leadership.

"I also look forward with confidence to the development of our bilateral relations in the years ahead," he said.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar in his message to his counterpart Lloyd Axworthy said he was looking forward to forge close personal and official contacts to further enhance the warm friendship and cooperation between the two countries and the people.

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