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DEPUTY AGONG SENDS GREETINGS TO SURINAME PRESIDENT

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 24 (Bernama) -- The Deputy Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Sultan Mizan Zainal Abidin, has sent a congratulatory message to Suriname President Runaldo Ronald Venetiaan on the occasion of the country's 26th Independence Day.

Sultan Mizan and his consort extended warmest felicitations to the President and the people of Suriname.

"We also wish for your Excellency's continued good health and personal well-being," he said in a statement today.

In a similar message to the President, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad expressed hope that the coming years would bring further progress and prosperity for Suriname and its people.

"I look forward to the enhancement of closer and mutually beneficial relations between Malaysia and Suriname in the years ahead," he said.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar, in a message to his counterpart Maria Levens, said he was looking forward to further strengthening and diversifying the bilateral relations between two countries.

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