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M'SIA CONGRATULATES OTTAWA ON CANADA DAY

KUALA LUMPUR, June 30 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin Putra Jamalullail has sent a congratulatory message to Canadian Governor-General Adrienne Clarkson on the occasion of Canada Day.

The King expressed the hope that the close ties between the two countries would be strengthened in the years ahead, Wisma Putra said in a statement.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad also conveyed a similar message to his Canadian counterpart Jean Chretien, expressing the hope that bilateral ties would be enhanced.

He said Malaysians had benefited greatly from the cooperation in the trade and education fields.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar, in his message to his counterpart William Graham, said he was confident existing relations between the two countries would be enhanced.

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