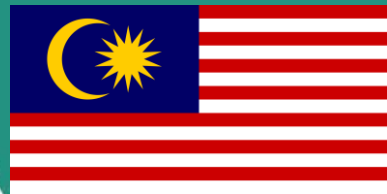


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GREETINGS FROM THE EMBASSY OF MALAYSIA!

Farewell to Ambassador Norman Muhamad



His Excellency Ambassador Norman Muhamad ended his tour of duty as the Ambassador of Malaysia to Turkmenistan on 4 June 2016 after serving for 2 years and 2 months since 7 April 2014.

His Excellency has contributed greatly towards strengthening the bilateral ties between Malaysia and Turkmenistan.



VISIT BY MALAYSIAN SOLO CYCLIST



On 18 January 2016, Ambassador Norman Muhamad, Ambassador of Malaysia, was called on by Mr. Sofian Mohd, Malaysian Solo Cyclist at the Embassy of Malaysia. Mr. Sofian, a lecturer at Malaysian local university, has been cycling across the globe since August 2015. He entered through Uzbekistan-Turkmenistan border, spent about two weeks in Turkmenistan and continued his journey to Azerbaijan by taking a ferry across the Caspian Sea.

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

On 7 February 2016, all Malaysians in Ashgabat gathered in conjunction with the Chinese New Year celebration. Almost all Malaysians wear red clothing in the spirit of the celebration.



Malaysians in Ashgabat consist of those working at the Embassy, PETRONAS Carigali Turkmenistan, Scomi Oiltools, Schlumberger and Weatherford companies.

EID AL-FITR CELEBRATION



Eid al-Fitr on 6 July 2016 was only celebrated by three Malaysian families in Ashgabat since all other Malaysians had gone back to celebrate it in their respective hometown in Malaysia.



MALAYSIA EDUCATION EXHIBITION

A Malaysian Education Exhibition was held in the Turkmen State Institute of Transport and Communication Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, on 25 – 26 June 2016. The Exhibition was organized by EduGeek Consultants, an education promotion company from Malaysia with a branch in Ashgabat. The institutions which participated in the Exhibition were:

- i) Management and Science University;
- ii) HELP University;
- iii) INTI International University and Colleges;
- iv) SEGi University and Colleges;
- v) UCSI University;
- vi) Quest International University; and
- vii) Cyberjaya University College of Medical Science.

These institutions offer various programmes such as engineering, business, architecture, law, MBBS, American Degree programme, Post Graduate programmes and many more. Scholarships are also offered to students with excellent results.



Mrs. Nur Diyana Badarudin, Charge d' Affaires of the Embassy, with Mr. Mohanraj Thangarajan from EduGeek Consultants Malaysia



Crowd at the Exhibition

MALAYSIA-TURKMENISTAN BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS IN PUTRAJAYA ON 19 APRIL 2016



On 19 April 2016, YBhg. Tan Sri Othman Hashim, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia, led the Malaysian delegation in Malaysia-Turkmenistan Bilateral Consultations in Putrajaya. The Turkmen delegation was led by Mr. Vepa Hajiyev, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan.

During the Consultations, special attention was paid to the discussion on the forthcoming Official Visit of the President of Turkmenistan to Malaysia in November 2016. The two sides also discussed a wide range of issues concerning the development of cooperation in political, trade-economic and socio-cultural fields, especially energy, transportation, education, tourism and sports.

The Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan also paid a courtesy call to H.E. Dato' Sri Anifah Aman, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia.

CONSULAR INFORMATION: REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN CITIZENS AT THE STATE MIGRATION SERVICE OF TURKMENISTAN

There is a new list of documents that must be provided for new registration of foreign citizens at the State Migration Service of Turkmenistan. Foreign citizens must provide:

- i) Application form;
- ii) Lease Agreement of domicile (4 copies);
- iii) Valid Passports (original and copy);
- iv) Confirmation of employment;
- v) Marriage certificate (copy);
- vi) Certificate of family composition of lessor;
- vii) Registration Certificate and Patent;
- viii) Ownership Regulation;
- ix) Apartment Ownership Agreement; and
- x) Payment slips for public utility services.

Upcoming events:

National Sports Day, 8 October 2016

Malaysia Education Exhibition, November 2016



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