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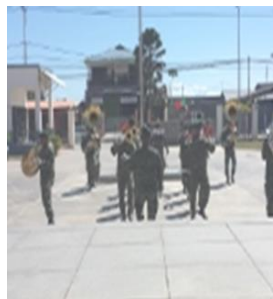
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Hari Raya Open House at Rumah Malaysia

Hari Raya Aidil Fitri Open House at Rumah Malaysia hosted by H.E. Amb. Chitra Devi Ramiah and Mr. Rasli E Sanmugam on 6 July 2016. The Open House was attended by Ambassadors, Malaysians, Friends of Malaysia, Embassy officials and staff with family members in Dili, Timor-Leste. The event was held in a cordial and joyful celebration with guests mingling with each other speaking about Malaysia's open house concept and culture. There were about 65 guests who attended the occasion.



Ceremony Welcoming Back the Military Band of Timor-Leste Trained in Malaysia



Ceremony welcoming back the military band after training in Malaysia at the Ministry of Defense Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste on 11 July 2016 hosted by H.E. Mr. Cirilio Cristovão Minister of Defense attended by H.E. Amb. Chitra Devi Ramiah. DRTL's Armed Forces Brass Band had undergone and completed successfully their basic musical training conducted by Pusat Latihan Muzik Tentera Darat in Sungai Besi from 14 December 2015 to 16 June 2016. During this ceremony, the Brass Band played several pieces of music including Malaysian songs and Negara Ku. The Brass band had also performed during the Opening Ceremony of the 15th Defense Services Asia Exhibition and Conference held from 18 – 21 April 2016 in Malaysia.

The defense sector relations between Malaysia and Timor-Leste had been established since 2000 following the participation of Malaysian Armed Forces (MAF) in peacekeeping mission under the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET). Timor-Leste has been a recipient of the Malaysian Defense Cooperation Programme (MDCP) launched by the Ministry of Defense in 2002. The program provides opportunities for selected military personnel to attend fully funded courses in Malaysia.



Courtesy Call on H.E Mr. Hernani Coelho, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation

Courtesy Call on H.E Mr. Hernani Coelho, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (MFAC) of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (DRTL) on 5 July 2016 at his office at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Dili.

Signing Ceremony at Ministry of Defence

H.E. Amb. Chitra Devi Ramiah witnessing the signing ceremony between the Ministry of Defense Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (DRTL) and SME Ordnance Bhd. (SMEO). H.E. Mr. Cirilio Cristovão, Minister of Defense representing DRTL and Chief Executive Officer Y.Bhg. Brig. General Dato Ng Chin Huat representing Malaysian company SME Ordnance Bhd. (SMEO) signed the MoU on procurement of supplies on 21 July 2016.



Official Dinner hosted by Officials from Presidential Office of Timor-Leste



Official dinner in honour of H.E. Amb. Chitra Devi Ramiah & Mr. Rasli E Sanmugam was hosted by H.E. Colonel Jose da Costa Soares, Chief of Military House, Presidential Palace, H.E. Mr. Rui Gomez, Chief of Staff of President of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste and Mr. Virgilio da Costa Babo, Advisor on Strategic Issues at Early Sun Restaurant, Meti-Aut, Dili on 21 July 2016.

Courtesy Call on H.E. Mr. Xanana Gusmão, Minister of Planning and Strategic Investment and H.E. Mr. Helder Lopes, Vice Minister of Finance



Courtesy Call on H.E. Mr. Xanana Gusmão Minister of Planning and Strategic Investment and Vice Minister of Finance of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste H.E. Mr. Helder Lopes by H.E. Amb. Chitra Devi Ramiah and Mr. Rasli E Sanmugam on 22 July 2016.

Farewell Dinner hosted for Indonesian Ambassador H.E. Amb. Marcellinus Primanto & Spouse



Farewell dinner in honour of Indonesian Ambassador H.E. Amb. Marcellinus Primanto & Spouse, hosted by H.E. Amb. Chitra Devi Ramiah & Mr. Rasli E Sanmugam at Rumah Malaysia Palm Spring Estate, Dili on 25 July 2016. The farewell dinner was also attended by officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste and colleagues from Brunei, Philippines and Thailand

Courtesy Call by Y.Bhg. Dr. Muhammad Muda, and Y.Bhg. Dr. Farizal Mohd Razalli



Courtesy Call by Y.Bhg. Dr. Muhammad Muda, Associate Professor from School of International Studies University Utara Malaysia (UUM) and Y.Bhg. Dr. Farizal Mohd Razalli, Head of Strategic Studies & International Relations Programme – Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) on H.E. Amb. Chitra Devi Ramiah at the Embassy of Malaysia Dili, Timor-Leste on 27 July 2016.

The Professor and Senior lecturer from the public universities of Malaysia visited DRTL to train the senior government officials and diplomats at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of DRTL. The idea to collaborate with Public Universities in Malaysia was mooted by H.E. Mr. Hernaini Coelho, Foreign Minister of the DRTL who is also the advisor of the Instituto De Estudos Diplomatics (Diplomatic Research Institute) of Timor-Leste's Foreign Affairs and Collaborations Ministry (IDS). The visit by the Professor and lecturer from Public Universities was initiated for strategic cooperation with National Universities of Malaysia through the Global Outreach initiative under the Ministry of Higher Education (KPT).

In the first phase of this initiative, training on academic modules have been offered by nine (9) Professors and Senior lecturers from UUM, UMS, UKM and UM. They are scheduled to conduct the training in DRTL beginning 23 July 2016 till 3 December 2016. The training is led by Professors from Malaysia and assisted by IDS trainers and National University of DRTL. The course modules includes Diplomatic History, General Diplomatic Studies and Practices, Foreign Policy, Issues in World Politics, International Law, World Trade Issues, Perspectives on International Security, Law of the Sea, Conflict Management, Risk Analysis and Forecasting and Project Management.

MEETINGS, VISITS AND EVENTS HOSTED BY HOST GOVERNMENT

BRIEFING ON UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW (UPR) HOSTED BY THE UN RESIDENT COORDINATOR MS. DESIREE JONGSMA AND MS. ANJET LANTING - UN HUMAN RIGHTS ADVISER IN TIMOR-LESTE ON 15 JULY 2016

The Meeting was held between the Diplomatic Corps, the Provider for Human Rights and Justice of DRTL, Civil Society and the Government of Democratic Republic Of Timor-Leste (DRTL) at the UN House in Dili. The UN Resident Coordinator Ms. Desiree Jongsma and Ms. Anjet Lanting - UN Human Rights Adviser in Timor-Leste presented Timor-Leste's Second Report for the Universal Periodic Review (UPR). The key human rights issues and recommended actions was presented for Timor-Leste and they sought support for their proposal which will be deliberated during the 26th Session of the UPR Working Group Meeting scheduled in October - November 2016.

TIMOR-LESTE AND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS MEETING (TLDPM 2016) HELD ON 4-5 JULY 2016 AT THE DILI CONVENTION CENTRE

The Timor-Leste Government through the Ministry of Finance organized the Timor-Leste & Development Partners Meeting (TLDPM). The meeting was held on 4-5 July 2016, at the Dili Conventions Centre. The theme of this year's TLDPM was "Financing for sustainable development in Timor-Leste." The TLDPM is an annual conference attended by various development stakeholders in Timor-Leste, including Government, members of Parliament, Development Partners, Private Sector Representatives and Civil Society Organizations. This meeting provides a platform to reflect on past development successes and challenges, achievements and opportunities for the future, identify remaining challenges, opportunities and the next steps for coordination between all stakeholders. Since December 2002, TLDPM has sought to highlight the significance of forging development partnerships among bilateral and multilateral donors and other key development stakeholders, including civil society, operating in the country. TLDPM 2016 was chaired by the Minister of State and Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, H.E. Mr. Hernani Coelho, and the Minister of Finance, H.E. Ms. Santana Cardoso.

VISIT OF H.E. XANANA GUSMAO TO MELAKA TO ATTEND THE FIRST ASIAN PORTUGUESE COMMUNITY CONFERENCE (APCC)

Senior Minister Xanana Gusmao, currently the Minister of Planning and Strategic Investment of Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (DRTL) had visited Malaysia to attend the 1st Asian Portuguese Community Conference (APCC) which took place from 27-30 June, 2016 in Malacca. The 1st Asian Portuguese Community Conference (APCC) gathered all the Portuguese Community from around Asia to reestablish the values and consciousness of the historical links, to share the rich cultural heritage and initiate economic cooperation among the communities. Besides participants from Portugal, representatives of 12

Portuguese linked communities from Indonesia, India, Timor-Leste, Thailand, Macau, Sri Lanka, Japan, Australia, Singapore, Hong Kong and Myanmar had attended the APCC. The largest delegation was from Indonesia. Mr. Gusmao had described Malacca as a "Cultural House" and a melting pot for the Portuguese community. The APCC was held against the backdrop of Feast of St Peter which attracts thousands of tourists.





Visit and participation of MINDEF representative Lt. Col. (Dr.) Wong Hon Hong and Major Azman Abdullah from Royal Malaysian Armed Forces during the Training of PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP 2016 & Opening of HADR/Humanitarian Assistance & Natural Disaster representing Malaysia from 8th June until 21 June 2016.

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