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### EID CELEBRATION IN ISLAMABAD, 06 JULY, 2016.



The High Commission of Malaysia in Islamabad, Pakistan held Eid prayers and moderate celebration at the High Commission and Malaysian Residence respectively, on 06 July, 2016. Malaysians, including, students and TNB staff were also present during the gathering.

The usual delicious delicacies from Malaysia, including “ketupat, redang, pulut kuning, nasi tomato and nasi impit” were served by the PERWAKILAN ladies.

### MEETING WITH H.E. SYED TAHIR SHAHBAZ, SECRETARY ESTABLISHMENT DIVISION (CHIEF SECRETARY), 01 JULY 2016.



On 01 July 2016, His Excellency Dato’ Dr. Hasrul Sani Mujtabar, High Commissioner of Malaysia to Pakistan called on His Excellency Syed Tahir Shahbaz, Secretary Establishment Division of Islamic Republic of Pakistan at Cabinet Block, Islamabad. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the invitation extended to His Excellency Tahir Shahbaz to attend the International Conference Blue Ocean Strategy “**Transforming Nations through Creativity and Innovation**” from 16 - 18 August 2016 and **Commonwealth Association for Public**

**Administration and Management (CAPAM) Biennial Conference 2016, from 18 - 20 August 2016.** His Excellency the High Commissioner was accompanied by Mr. Syed Nauzer Iddid bin Syed Yusoff Iddid, Deputy Head of Mission / First Secretary of the Mission.

## IFTAR DINNER AND TARAWIH PRAYERS, 21 JUNE 2016.



On 21 June 2016, His Excellency Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani bin Mujtabar, High Commissioner of Malaysia, hosted an Iftar dinner and Tarawih prayers at Mayang Sari Hall of High Commission of Malaysia. Home-Based Staff (HBS), their families and Locally Recruited Staff (LRS) also attended the Iftar dinner. Students from Thailand too joined in the blessed occasion.

## 15<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF COMSTECH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE OIC STANDING COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION, 31 MAY TO 01 JUNE 2016.



PRESIDENT MAMNOON HUSSAIN ADDRESSING THE 15TH INAUGURAL SESSION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF COMSTECH IN ISLAMABAD ON MAY 31, 2016.

YBhg. Dato' Kamel Mohamad, Senior Under Secretary (Planning), Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation attended the 15<sup>th</sup> Session of COMSTECH General Assembly of the OIC Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation (COMSTECH) scheduled on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016 – 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016. Other delegates from Malaysia are Dr. Zubaidah Zakaria Executive Director of Inter Islamic Network on Tropical Medicine (INTROM), Institute for Medical Research, Kuala Lumpur, Dr Rohani Ahmad, Head of Inter

Islamic Network on Tropical Medicine (INTROM), Institute for Medical Research, Kuala Lumpur and also Prof Dr. Kamaruzzaman Yunus, Dean of International Islamic University of Malaysia.

## SOUTH ASIAN DCM DINNER, 26 MAY 2016.

Syed Nauzer Idid, DHM/First Secretary of High Commission of Malaysia hosted a dinner reception to all Deputy Chief of Missions from South Asian members club at Marriott Hotel, Islamabad on 26 May 2016.



## INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF SHAHEEN AIR FROM LAHORE TO KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA, 21 APRIL, 2016.



Inauguration ceremony of Shaheen Air flight operation from Lahore to Kuala Lumpur was held on 21 April, 2016 at Allama Iqbal International Airport, Lahore. His Excellency Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani Mujtabar, High Commissioner of Malaysia to Pakistan was invited as the Chief Guest for the inauguration ceremony. Others attended the inaugural ceremony were, Mr. Almas Hyder, Senior Vice President, Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Mr. Nasir Saeed, Vice President, Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Mr. Rashid Muhammad Hussain, Airport Manager, Air Commodore Salman Mahboob, Base Commander PAF Base Lahore, Senior members from the Government functionaries and handling agencies of Allama Iqbal International Airport, Lahore.

On this occasion, His Excellency the High Commissioner of Malaysia said that flight operation of Shaheen Air to Malaysia is a milestone which will not only boost bilateral relations between the two brotherly countries but will also help to promote tourism industry as well as people to people contact.

## LUNCH HOSTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF PAKISTAN FOR ASEAN AMBASSADORS, 19 APRIL, 2016

In an effort to promote greater Pakistan-ASEAN relations to greater heights, the President of Pakistan, His Excellency Mamnoon Hussain, hosted a lunch at his office on 19 April, 2016. All the 7 ASEAN Ambassadors with the exception of Thailand, were present at the lunch. During the meeting, issues effecting Pakistan-ASEAN, as well as, bilateral issues were discussed. The ASEAN Ambassadors were extremely happy to have such privilege and such cordial discussion should continue in future. The President expressed the hope that Pakistan would become full ASEAN dialogue partner once the moratorium of new members has passed.



## CONVOCATION CEREMONY OF COTHM, ISLAMABAD, 17 APRIL, 2016



The High Commissioner of Malaysia to Pakistan, H.E. Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani Mujtabar, has the privileged to be the Chief Guest of the College of Tourism and Hospitality Management (COTHM) to give away scrolls and awards to the graduates of COTHM at Ramada Hotel on 17 April 2016. COTHM is a household name in Pakistan since its inception in 2002. It has successfully trained thousands of its students in culinary arts, hospitality, hotel and tourist management. The High

Commissioner was also accompanied by his spouse and First Secretary of the High Commission.

As the Government of Pakistan is giving greater emphasis on the development of its tourism industry lately, COTHM plays a crucial role in providing skilled manpower in this regard.

## INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF PAK-AFGHAN MALAYSIA BUSINESS COUNCIL, 16 APRIL, 2016

The inauguration ceremony of PAK-Afghan Malaysia Business Council was officially launched at the Mayang Seri Hall, High Commission of Malaysia, in Islamabad on 16 April, 2016. Private sectors from Pakistan and Afghanistan together with the Acting Consul General of Afghanistan, Peshawar were also present. The High Commissioner of Malaysia, Dato' Hasrul Sani bin Mujtabar in his remarks, among others said that this Pak-Afghan Malaysia Business Council would mark the beginning of new opportunities for the three Islamic countries, with a combined population of 267 million, to have more opportunities in trade, investment and education especially. All the three countries are blessed with abundant resources, and businessmen and investors should take every opportunity to increase networking between them for maximum and mutual benefits.



**TOURISM MALAYSIA AND TDCP, PAKISTAN CO-HOSTED TRAVEL MART IN LAHORE, 7 MARCH, 2016.**



Tourism Malaysia and Tourism Development Corporation of Punjab (TDCP) of Pakistan, co-hosted a travel mart in Lahore on 7 March, 2016. Tourism Malaysia was headed by Dato' Diljit Singh, and TDCP was represented by Mr. Ahmer Malik, Managing Director of Tourism Development Corporation of Punjab. The Minister of Education Youth Affairs and Tourism Punjab, Hon. Rana Mashood Ahmad Khan and Malaysian High Commissioner to

Pakistan, Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani Mujtabar, were the Chief Guests.

The Minister in his remarks, expressed the hope that more tourism activities between the two brotherly countries could be further enhanced.

The Sabah Cultural Troupe also performed a dazzling performance during the travel mart. The troupe has also performed in Islamabad at Marriott Hotel and the Mayang Sari Hall of the High Commission of Malaysia.



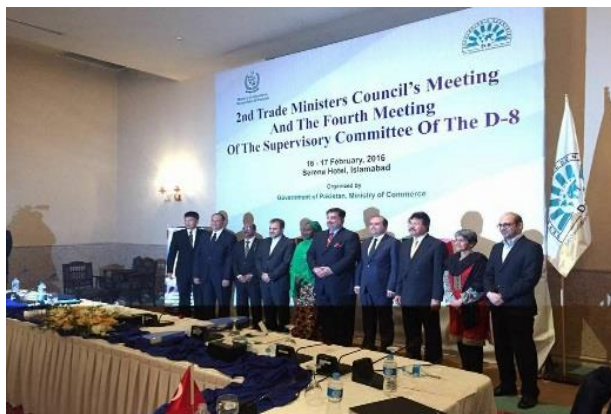
## **MAIDEN FLIGHT OF MALINDO AIR FROM KUALA LUMPUR TO LAHORE, MARCH 3, 2016.**

Malindo Air made its maiden flight from Kuala Lumpur to Lahore on 3 March, 2016. Among on board were the Hon. Datuk Abdul Aziz b. Kaprawi, Deputy Minister of Transport, Datuk Kamarlin Hj. Ombi, Assistant Minister of Tourism, Culture and Environment of Sabah, Datuk Seri Mirza Mohammad Taiyab, Director General of Tourism Malaysia, Mr. Chandran Rama Murthy, CEO of Malindo Air, senior officials from Tourism Malaysia and cultural troupe from Sabah Tourism Board. Malindo Air will fly 4 times in a week. People-to-people contact between Malaysia and Pakistan is expected to heighten in future with this arrival of Malindo Air to Pakistan. Malaysian Airline (MAS) used to fly to Pakistan about 5 years ago but its services were stopped due to the revampment of the airline.

2. The Minister for Industries and Production, H.E Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi and senior officials from the Punjab Province were in attendance to receive the Malaysian delegation. The High Commissioner of Malaysia, Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani Mujtabar and spouse too were at the airport to receive the delegation.

3. The Hon. Deputy Minister and the delegation made a courtesy call on the Chief Minister of Punjab, H.E. Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif on 4 March, 2016.

## **2<sup>ND</sup> SESSION OF COUNCIL OF COMMERCE MINISTERS OF D-8 COUNTRIES, 17 FEBRUARY, 2016**



The 2<sup>nd</sup> session of Council Commerce Ministers of D-8 countries was held in Islamabad on 17 February, 2016. Members of D-8 include Pakistan, Iran, Turkey, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Malaysia, Egypt and Nigeria. Malaysia was represented by His Excellency Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani Bin Mujatabar, High Commissioner of Malaysia to Pakistan, as the Malaysian Trade Minister, Hon. Dato' Sri Mustapa Mohamed was away to attend the ASEAN-US Summit in California. In that meeting, the D-8 countries agreed to implement the D8 Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA) from 1 July, 2016. The next meeting will be held in Malaysia in 2017.

## ASEAN KARAOKE NIGHT, 13 FEBRUARY 2016



Following the successful conclusion of the ASEAN Summit held in Malaysia in November, 2015, the High Commissioner of Malaysia in Islamabad organized the ASEAN Karaoke Night. It was well participated by all the ASEAN Ambassadors, staff and their family members. The High Commission also gathered all Malaysians in Islamabad as part of our outreach programme. This initiative was the first of its kind ever organised by ASEAN and in particular by the High Commission of Malaysia to Pakistan. Malaysia also won several awards in the competition.

## MEETING WITH THE HON. CHIEF MINISTER OF PUNJAB, 09 FEBRUARY 2016



On 09 February 2016, His Excellency Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani Mujtabar, High Commissioner of Malaysia to Pakistan called on His Excellency Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif, Chief Minister of Punjab at Chief Minister's Residence, Lahore. The purpose of the meeting was to promote greater bilateral ties between Malaysia and Pakistan. During the meeting, His Excellency the High Commissioner also discussed about the launching of Malindo Air in Lahore, Pakistan, Pangkor International Development Dialogue and Malaysia's keen participation in the Pakistan-China Economic Corridor (CPEC).

## MEETING WITH THE GOVERNOR OF PUNJAB, 09 FEBRUARY, 2016



On 09 February 2016, His Excellency Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani Mujtabar, High Commissioner of Malaysia to Pakistan called on H.E. Malik Muhammad Rafique Rajwana, Governor of Punjab at Governor House, Lahore. The purpose of the meeting was to promote greater bilateral ties between Malaysia and Pakistan. During the meeting, His Excellency the High Commissioner also discussed about the launching of Malindo Air in Lahore, Pakistan.

## MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE LAHORE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (LCCI)



On 9 February 2016, His Excellency Dato' Dr. Hasrul Sani Mujtabar, High Commissioner of Malaysia to Pakistan, held a meeting with Mr. Sheikh Muhammad Arshad, President of Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry at his office. The purpose of the meeting was to promote greater economic ties and bilateral relations between Malaysia and Pakistan. Other members of the Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry also attended the meeting. During the meeting, His Excellency the High Commissioner, also discussed about the launching of Malindo Air in Lahore, Pakistan, which would certainly enhance people to people contact, including tourism, business and investment opportunities.