

# EMBASSY OF MALAYSIA IN TOKYO JAPAN

## NEWS BULLETIN

### VISIT OF DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TO JAPAN



*Dato' Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi with Prime Minister Shinzo Abe*

Deputy Prime Minister Dato' Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi visited Japan from 29 May-2 June 2016 to attend the 34th Japan-Malaysia Economic Association (Jameca) and Malaysia-Japan Economic Association (Majeca) Joint Conference. Apart from delivering the keynote address at the Conference, the DPM also had a roundtable meeting with Jameca and Majeca members and met individual Japanese companies.

The DPM hectic schedule in Japan also included meeting with Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, Deputy Prime Minister Taro Aso, Chief Cabinet Secretary Yoshihide Suga, Foreign Minister Fumio Kishida, Minister of Justice Mitsuhide Iwaki and Chairperson of the National Public Safety Commission and Minister of State for Disaster Management, Taro Kono. Dato' Seri Zahid also attended the breakfast meeting with the Japan-Malaysia Parliamentarian Association.

The DPM also visited Sendai to see first hand the reconstruction efforts after the 2011 earthquake and tsunami that hit the Miyagi Prefecture. Along the way to Sendai, the DPM was briefed and given a special cockpit tour on Japan's bullet train (Shinkansen). The DPM also took the opportunity to meet the Malaysian students in Tokyo and Sendai.

## VISIT OF DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TO JAPAN



*Diner with Malaysia students in Tokyo*



*Shinkansen ride to Sendai with Data' Seri Tiang Keng Seng*



*Joint press conference with Foreign Minister Fumio Kishida.*



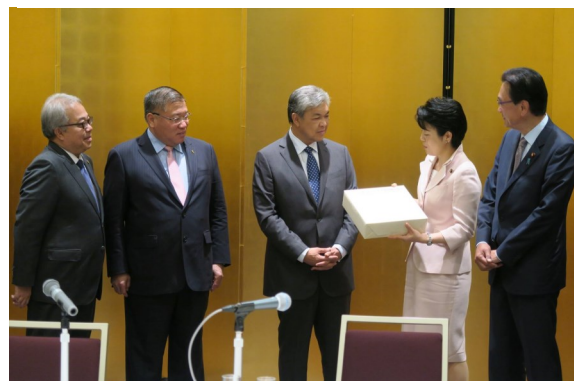
*Meeting with Mr Taro Kono, Chairperson of NPSC.*



*Delivering the keynote address at the Joint Conference.*



*Lunch hosted by Deputy PM Taro Asa.*



*Receiving a memento from the Japan-Malaysia Parliamentarian Association.*

## VISIT OF MINISTER OF YOUTH AND SPORTS TO JAPAN

The Minister of Youth and Sports, YB Khairy Jamaluddin visited Tokyo from 31 May-02 June 2016. During his visit, the Minister visited Japan Football Association (JFA) Academy, Saitama Polytechnic Centre, the National Training Centre (NTC) and Japan Institute of Sports Sciences (JISS). YB Khairy also met the First Commissioner of Japan Sports Agency, Daichi Suzuki, President of the Executive Board of the Tokyo Organizing Committee for the Olympic, Yoshiro Mori, LDP Director of Youth Division, Hideki Makihara and JICA President, Shinichi Kitaoka.

The Minister also call on his counterpart, Mr Hiroshi Hase and was hosted to a dinner by the Parliamentary Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs, Masakazu Hamachi. YB Khairy also hosted dinner with Malaysian students in Tokyo and gave a lecture at the University of Tokyo on Youth Empowerment.



*YB Khairy with the 2020 Tokyo Organizing Committee for the Olympic (top left), courtesy call on Minister Hiroshi Hase (top right), exchange of mementos at Saitama Polytechnic Centre (centre), meeting possible sponsor for the SEA Games 2017 (bottom left) and posing with young stars at JFA Academy, Fukushima.*



## AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES

It has been another hectic quarter for Dato' Ahmad Izlan with engagements with various stakeholders in Japan. The Ambassador met various Ministers and high level government officers both from Japan and Malaysia. The Ambassador also received guests from business and non-business entities to receive updates and to discuss collaborations that would be beneficial for Malaysia-Japan's bilateral relations.

Dato' Ahmad Izlan also has an engagement session with the Malaysian students leaders, participated in breakfast meeting with Japanese business leaders (organized by Keizai Koho Centre), officiated the Malaysian booths at the Halal Market Fair and gave interview on Malaysia with the International Friendship Exchange Council.



*Dato' Ahmad Izlan with Minister Hiroshi Moriyama at Cherry blossoms reception by the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.*



*Dato' Ahmad Izlan with State Minister of Agriculture Yoshitaka ITO.*



*Dato' Ahmad Izlan with Vice Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Kanji KATO.*



*Meeting the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry on the occasion of the meeting of the OECD Global Parliamentary Network.*

AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES



*Ambassador's engagement with student leaders from Malaysian Student in Japan (MSAJ), Kelab UMNO Luar Negara (KULN), Aspiring Malaysian Rijal (AMIR), Ikatan Persaudaraan Islam di Jepun (IPLJ) and Malaysia Japanese Higher Education Programme (MJHEP).*

*HE Dato' Ahmad Izlan during the interview session with Mr Shu Tamaru from the International Friendship Exchange Council.*



*Breakfast meeting between the Ambassador of Malaysia and the Japanese business leaders organized by Keizai Koho Centre. Dato' Ahmad Izlan gave an overview on the state of Malaysia-Japan bilateral relations as well as current state of Malaysian economy.*



AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES



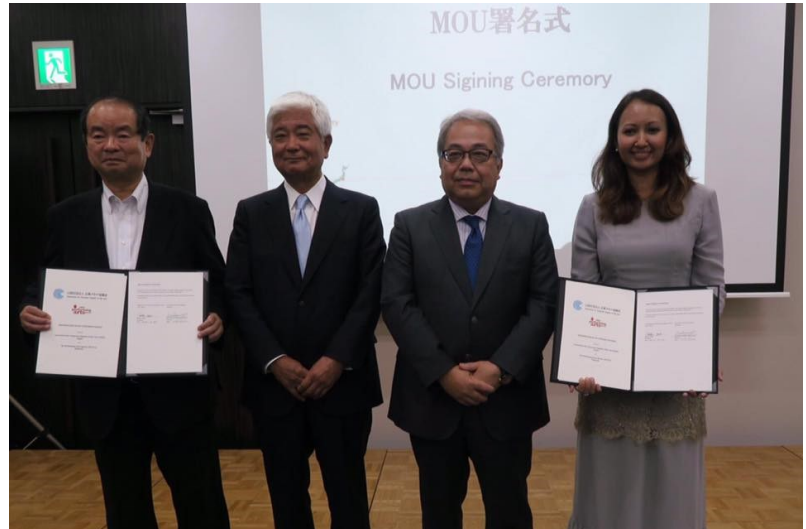
*The presentation of ambulance ceremony by Matsudo Eucaly Lions Club to the Temple of Fine Arts and Tun Hussein Onn National Eye Hospital Malaysia.*



*Halal Market Fair Japan 2016. HE Dato' Ahmad Izlan officiating the Malaysian pavilion at the Fair.*



*Courtesy call by Mr Badlishah Halimi from PNB Inspire Partners Corporation.*



*HE Dato' Ahmad Izlan is the guest of honor at the MOU signing ceremony between My Performing Arts Agency (MyPAA) and Association for Corporate Support of the Arts 'Kigyō Mecenat Kyogikai' Japan (KMK) to promote Corporate Support of the Arts.*

## AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES



*Courtesy call by YBhg. Tan Sri Datuk Sri Panglima Hj. Anuar Hj. Musa, Chairman of MARA/YPM.*



*Courtesy call by Dato' Sri Alias Hj. Ahmad, Secretary, National Security Council of Malaysia.*



*Luncheon hosted by Mr Hirayuki Ishige, Chairman and CEO of Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) for HE Dato' Ahmad Izlan.*



*Courtesy call by the delegation from the Persatuan Pengimpot dan Peniaga Kenderaan Melayu Malaysia (PEKEMA).*

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Courtesy call by Mr Kiyoshi Itoi, Consul General of Japan to Penang.



*Courtesy call by Mr Yashiyuri Nakata.*



*Courtesy call by Mr Hirofumi Ryu, Member of the House of Representatives and Ms. Mikko Nishiyama, from Nippon TV.*



*Courtesy call by Mr Nabuhiro Ishii from the Japan-ASEAN Economic Co-operation Association.*



*Courtesy call by the Japan Sakura Foundation headed by Ms Sakano Kudo.*

## AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES



*Courtesy call by Toyota Motor Corporation team led by Mr. Masato Enomoto, Group Manager, Asia and Oceania Group, Overseas External Affairs Division.*



*Courtesy call by Dr. Syed Alwee Shekh Alsagoff and Mr Helmy Sukaiman from the Education Malaysia Global Services (EMGS).*



*Courtesy call by YB Datuk Liang Teck Meng, MP of Simpang Renggam.*

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*Courtesy call by Mr Takao Tsuji, Managing Director of New Chemical Trading Co. Ltd.*



*Courtesy call by Japan Malaysia Association (JMA) led by Mr Ogawa Takakazu, Chief Director.*



*Courtesy call by HE Saul Arana Castellon, Ambassador of Nicaragua (right) and HE Chingiz Aidarbekov, the new Ambassador of the Kyrgyz Republic to Japan (left).*



*Courtesy call by HE Edigijus Meilunas, Ambassador of the Republic of Lithuania to Japan.*



*Courtesy call by Mr Ahmad Rezal Chan, CEO and Senior Partner of Rexpocentral Sdn Bhd.*

AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES



*Dinner and dialogue session with Malaysian students in Tokyo with Tan Sri Anuar Musa, Chairman of MARA.*



*Dinner with Tan Sri Dato' Hj Zainal bin Dahalan, Chairman of Lembaga Pertubuhan Peladang.*

## ASEAN ACTIVITIES

*The highlight as ASEAN activities for the second quarter this year was the 31st ASEAN-Japan Forum which was held in Tokyo from 23-24 June 2016. Malaysia was represented by Tan Sri Othman Hashim, Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Issues discussed during the Forum includes the developments in ASEAN and Japan, review of ASEAN-Japan cooperation and exchange of views on regional and international issues.*

*Myanmar chaired the 274th ACT Meeting and the 275th Meeting before handing over the Chairmanship to Thailand in July-December 2016 period. Meanwhile, the ASEAN Ambassadors bid farewell to their departing colleagues from the Philippines and Lao PDR respectively.*



*The 31st ASEAN-Japan Forum in Tokyo.*



*The 274th Meeting of ASEAN Committee in Tokyo (ACT) at the Embassy of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.*



*Luncheon hosted by Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Shin-suke Sugiyama for ASEAN Ambassadors.*



*The ASEAN Committee in Tokyo (ACT) farewell dinner hosted by the Thai Ambassador in honor of the departing Ambassadors of Philippines and Lao PDR.*

## EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES

The Embassy officials participated in various programme and activities in the second quarter of this year. Mr Hendy Assan, the Deputy Chief of Mission also received courtesy calls by various Japanese companies to update on their operations in Malaysia. Other Embassy officials participated in various events with Malaysian interests. The Embassy also received visits from the Koperasi Tunas Muda Sg. Ara Berhad (KTMSAB) and the Public Service Commission of Malaysia (SPA).



*Visit by Koperasi Tunas Muda Sg. Ara Berhad (KTMSAB) to the Embassy led by Datuk Ir. Mansor Musa, it's Chairman. The delegation was received by Mr. Hendy Assan, Deputy Chief of Mission of the Embassy.*



*Visit by the delegation from the Public Service Commission of Malaysia (SPA) to the Embassy. The delegation was on a study visit to Tokyo from 2-7 May 2016.*



*Closing Ceremony and Farewell Party for the Sakura Science High School Program held at JICA Tokyo. Thirty Malaysian students successfully completed their programme together with their friends from India, Myanmar and Taiwan.*



*The opening ceremony of the Third Group Training Programme on Production and Statistical Analysis of Monitoring Indicators in Support of Inclusive Development Policies by United Nations Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (UN SIAP). Participants from 24 countries, including Malaysia, participate in the programme.*

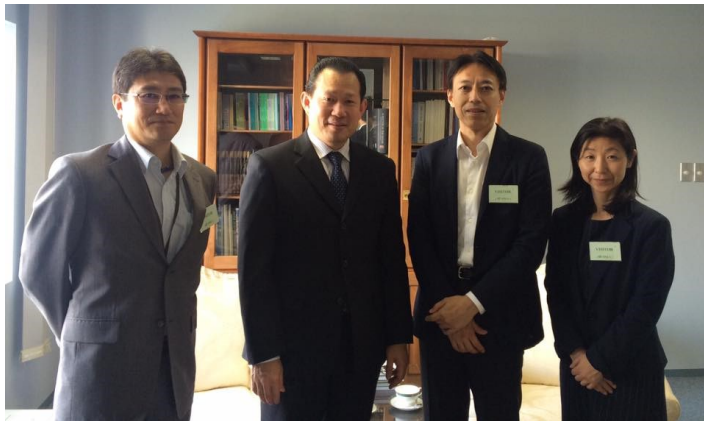
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*Mr Hendy Assan together with Ms Fary Akmal, Malaysian IMF Scholar and Mr Odd Per Brekk, Director IMF Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific at the Farewell Reception for the Japan-IMF Scholars.*



*The DCM with Malaysian participants, DSP Zamrosni Hj Yusof and ASP Yusnany Yusop at the closing ceremony and farewell reception of the 163rd UNAFEI International Training Course.*



*Mr Hendy Assan, receiving the new General Manager/ Global Planning Department of Kaneka Corporation.*



*Receiving the representatives from Hyogo Prefectural Government and Kobe City Government.*



*Meeting the representatives from the New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO).*

### EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES—MALAYSIAN FOOD PROMOTION

Tourism Malaysia Osaka, in collaboration with Hard Rock Café Osaka, MAS and Tabi Kobo Travel organized a media launching for "Malaysia Percik" Burger Campaign on 24 May 2016. Dato' Ahmad Izlan was the guest of honor at the event. Meanwhile the Shinagawa Prince Hotel with Embassy's collaboration organized a Malaysian food promotion at Hapuna Restaurant from 15 April-15 May 2016.



*The media launch.*



*Media interview with the Ambassador.*



*The Malaysian cuisine at the Hapuna Restaurant.*



*Dato' Ahmad Izlan officiating the Malaysian Percik burger campaign in Osaka.*

## EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES—IFTAR WITH MALAYSIAN STUDENTS

The Embassy hosted a breaking fast session with Malaysian students in Tokyo on 18 June 2016. The event was made possible with the personal contribution from the Hon. Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia who visited Japan earlier. The Malaysian students had a scrumptious feast of Malaysian foods followed by a Tarawih prayer for the Muslim students later that evening.



*The Ambassador giving his opening remarks (left) and the scene of the breaking fast session (below).*



## OUTREACH PROGRAMMES

The outreach programme by the Embassy continues in the second quarter of the year. The Embassy received students from Yayasan Takmir-Pendidikan, Aichi Prefecture's Okazaki Junior High School and Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Agama Tun Ahmadshah, Sabah.



*Visit by students and teachers from Yayasan Takmir-Pendidikan. The visit was part of an international student exchange programs with Yuai International School and Suiran International High School in Japan.*



*Visit by students from Aichi Prefecture's Okazaki Junior High School at the Embassy. The visit was part of their preparation for the international exchange programs with the sister school, Sri Kuala Lumpur this year.*



*Visit by students and teachers from Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Agama Tun Ahmadshah, Sabah.*

## PERWAKILAN NEWS: THE 40TH ASIA PACIFIC FESTIVAL AND CHARITY BAZAAR 2016

Perwakilan participated in the 40th Asia Pacific Festival and Charity Bazaar 2016 at ANA Intercontinental hotel. The annual event was officiated by HH Princess Hitachi. The Princess together with Madame Akie Abe have gracefully visited the Malaysian booth at the bazaar.



*Datin Rose Abdullah, President of PERWAKILAN with HH Princess Hitachi at the Malaysian booth (top) and members of Perwakilan at the 40th Asia Pacific Festival and Charity Bazaar 2016 at ANA Intercontinental hotel (bottom).*

## FAREWELL

The Embassy hosted lunch for our departing colleague on 19 May 2016. We bid farewell to Ms. Mardiana Mohamed Rohani, Mr Hazwan Nizam Fadli and Ms. Nor Rusila Abdullah and we express our appreciation for them for being part of the Embassy's family. We wish them all the best on their new assignment back home.



*The Ambassador with the departing colleagues.*



*Ms. Mardiana (top left), Mr Hazwan Nizam (top right) and Ms. Nor Rusila (bottom).*



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