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View of Algiers from the sea

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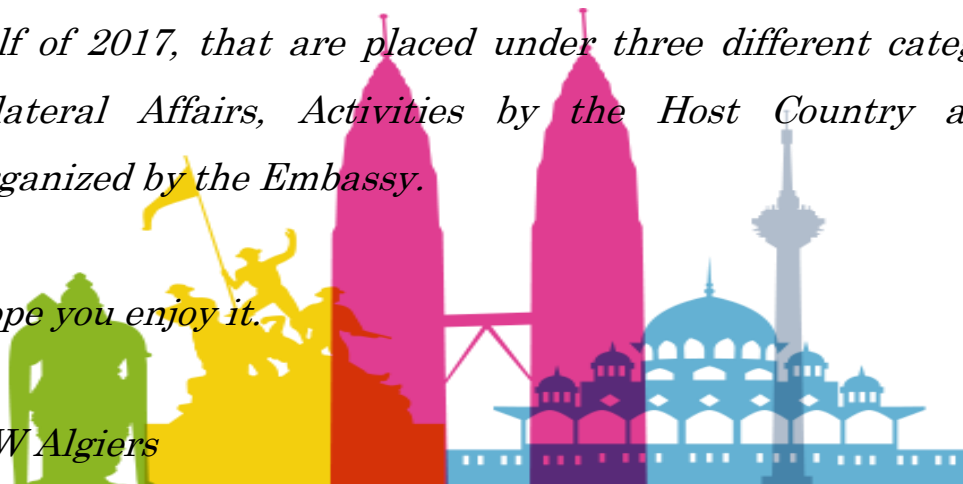
Dear Readers,

We are delighted to introduce the first edition of our newsletter. We intend to make it a regular publication and to use it to keep the readers in touch with news and developments related to the Embassy.

In this particular edition, readers will be given exclusive insight concerning activities the Embassy has involved in throughout the first half of 2017, that are placed under three different categories namely Bilateral Affairs, Activities by the Host Country and Activities Organized by the Embassy.

Hope you enjoy it.

MW Algiers



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New Year's Eve Gathering

H.E Mohd Tarid Sufian hosted a New Year's Eve gathering for the Malaysian community in Algiers on 31 December 2016. Aside from catching up with fellow countrymen,

guests were served with sumptuous Malaysian cuisines that were prepared in conjunction with the special occasion.



Association of Diplomatic Wives in Algeria (AFDA) International Bazaar

The International Bazaar was held at the Hilton Hotel, Wilaya of Algiers on 5 February 2017. Most of the Embassies in Algeria participated in this one-day event by promoting their special cuisines/delicacies. The

Embassy of Malaysia took the opportunity to showcase Malaysian foods such as *mee goreng*, *nasi lemak*, *karipap* and *the tarik* to the attendees.



ASEAN Sports Day

The Malaysian, Indonesian and Vietnamese Embassies accredited in Algeria held an

ASEAN Sports Day on 17 March 2017. The event brought all Home Based Staff (HBS) and Locally Recruited Staff (LRS) from the three respective Embassies closer through participations in friendly Volleyball and Badminton matches.



Courtesy Call on H.E Nouredine Boutarfa, Minister of Energy of Algeria

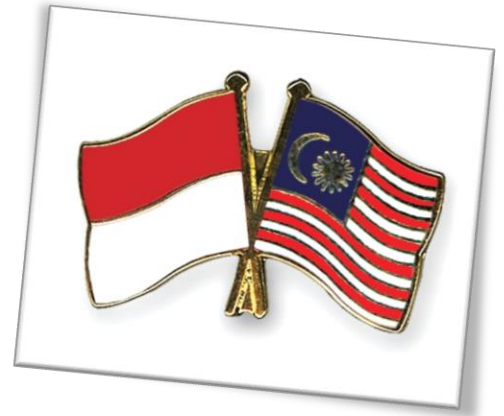
H.E Mohd Tarid Sufian paid a courtesy call on H.E Nouredine Boutarfa, Minister of Energy of Algeria on 16 February 2017.

The meeting was held in an amiable manner whereby both sides took the opportunity to discuss issues of mutual interest concerning the renewable energy sector that could benefit Malaysia and Algeria.



Get Together Dinner with Diplomats and Staff of the Indonesian Embassy in Algiers

H.E Ambassador Mohd Tarid Sufian hosted a get together dinner between Diplomats and Staff Members of Malaysian and Indonesian Embassies in Algiers on 16 March 2017. The occasion was marked by the spirit of sharing and gaiety. Guests had the opportunity to enjoy a variety of Malaysian traditional dishes.



Visit of Malaysia's Election Commission Team

Two (2) representatives from the Malaysian Election Commission (SPR) were selected by the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to attend and observe Algeria's Legislative

Election that took place on 4 May 2017.



1st AFRIPOL General Assembly, 14-16 May 2017

YBhg. Tan Sri Dato' Sri Khalid Abu Bakar, the Malaysian Inspector General of Police undertook a Working Visit to Algiers from 14-16 May 2017 to attend the 1st AFRIPOL General Assembly under his capacity as the ASEANAPOL Chairman.



The Working Visit of YB Dato' Sri SA. Vigneswaran to Algeria, 20-23 May 2017

YB Dato' Sri SA. Vigneswaran, the President of Senate Malaysia undertook a Working Visit to Algeria from 20-23 May 2017 during which the

latter had fruitful meetings with the H.E Abdelmalek Sellal, Prime Minister, H.E Ramtane Lamamra, Foreign Minister and H.E Abdelkader Bensalah, President of the Algerian Senate.



2017 IFTAR

H.E Mohd Tarid Sufian hosted an Iftar gathering for the Malaysian community at his Official Residence on 8 June 2017. Guests were served with several types of Malaysian cuisines specially prepared for this holy occasion.



Eid Ul Fitr Prayer at Kabir Mosque

The Algerian government invited all Muslims Heads of Mission based in Algiers to perform the Eid Ul Fitr Prayer at the historical Kebir Mosque on the 1st day of Syawal. Prominent Algerian figures such as the Prime Minister, President

of the Algerian Senate as well as the Speaker of the Lower House also performed the prayer.



Eid Ul Fitr Open House

H.E Mohd Tarid Sufian held an Open House at his Official Residence to mark this year's Eid Ul Fitr celebration. The Malaysian community in Algiers flocked to the *Rumah Malaysia* shortly after the Eid Ul Fitr prayer and were served with mouth watering Malaysian cuisines. The event conjured up smiles for attendees missing their loved ones back in Malaysia.



2017 National Day Parade

To commemorate its 55th Independence Day, the Algerian government organized a National Day Parade throughout the city of Algiers on 5 July 2017. The

whole country, including the Diplomatic Corp. was invited to witness the prestigious event.





**Transformasi
Nasional 2050**



ABOUT TN50

In 2017, Malaysians celebrate 60 years as an independent nation. From our humble and uncertain beginnings, we have grown and evolved significantly into a modern economy and society. Beginning with the era of the New Economic Policy (1971-1990), we stepped into the 2020 era (1991-2020). Now, we have to be ready to face the next 30 years.

The world in 2050 will be much different from the world today – what will guide us to face this future?

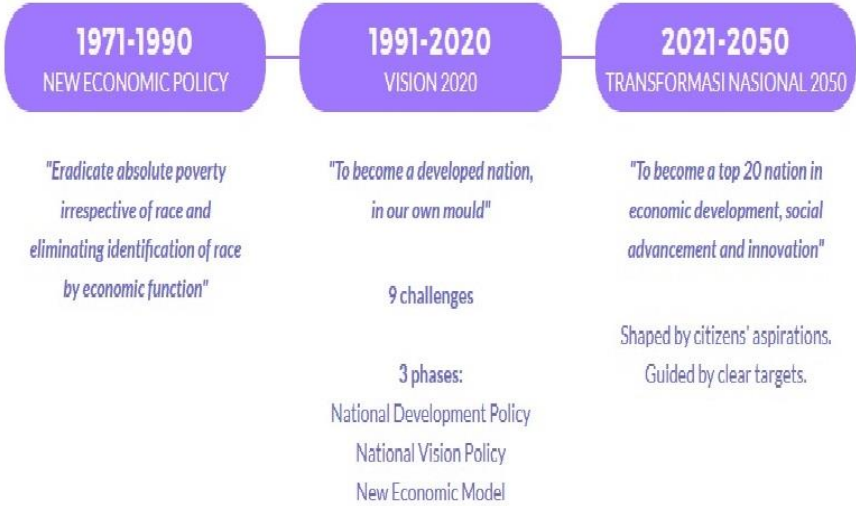
'Transformasi Nasional 2050' or TN50 is an initiative to plan for the future of Malaysia in the period 2020 to 2050.

From the vision of becoming a developed nation, we should strive to be amongst the top countries in the world in economic development, citizen well-being and innovation.

This objective needs to be fleshed out and given meaning by Malaysian citizens themselves. Come on Malaysia, let's share our views and ideas, let's jointly set our objectives for the nation's future. Let's put our hearts and minds together.



MALAYSIA'S KEY DEVELOPMENT ERAS



SOCIETY

NOW	POTENTIAL FUTURE
Rise of megacities - cities with population over 10 million - due to continuing trend of urbanisation.	People work mostly from pods as they are connected virtually, robots carry out all the physical work.
Global rise of religion, with Islam growing the fastest. Islamic values more pervasive in banking, tourism, culture, fashion and political discourse.	Commercial space travel is a reality.
Changing gender roles with increasing participation of women in the workforce and in leadership positions.	All buildings, transport vehicles, and cities are smart and interconnected.
Increased focus on health and wellness leading to improved longevity.	People implant nanotechnology chips in their body which clean arteries, fight cancer cells, help with memory and fight inflammation.
	Life expectancy approaches 150 for some, owing to biotech advancements.



ENVIRONMENT

NOW

Rise in demand for food and water as the population continues to grow.

Rise in renewable and sustainable energy sources due to increasing concerns on volatile prices and potential scarcity of fossil fuels.

Further threats to the natural environment and biodiversity with growing human consumption.

POTENTIAL FUTURE

Advancement in biotechnology and farming techniques significantly increasing the world's food production capacity.

Majority of power generation driven by renewables such as solar, wind and biofuels.

Eco-friendly and sustainable building practices compulsory for all private and public organizations.

ECONOMY

NOW

Digital economy rising in importance, demanding new technical skills and 'higher level' capabilities from the present workforce such as problem solving and communications.

Growth of the sharing economy such as peer-to-peer (P2P) accommodation, ridesharing, P2P lending, skills sharing.

Increasing shift towards self-employment and the tasking or 'gig' economy. Implications on financial security and skills development.

POTENTIAL FUTURE

Industries and organisations turn to robotics and AI for physical tasks. AI also performs multiple types of research and analytics, greatly changing the job and skills landscape.

Sharing economy becomes commonplace, causing even more disruptions across industries and redefining business regulation.

'Plug & play' learning become mainstream, supporting a mostly self-employed workforce. Traditional education models disrupted.



TECHNOLOGY & CONNECTIVITY

NOW

Exponential explosion in internet bandwidth, processing power and digital storage capacity.

Rise of broadband and mobile connectivity, Internet of Things (IoT), robotics and Artificial Intelligence (AI). Labs and companies produce machines or software with increasing human-like capabilities.

Emergence of developments like 'smart cities' where sensors, information and technology are integrated to meet the needs of the population.

POTENTIAL FUTURE

Virtual and augmented reality increasingly used in our interactions. Consumption of services via digital platforms such as education, healthcare and virtual tourism become pervasive.

All buildings, transport vehicles and city assets are 'smart' and interconnected to the 'smart grid'. Potential privacy issues e.g. crime surveillance, predictive policing.

Death of the office. People no longer commute, working mostly from pods at home.

GOVERNANCE

NOW

More and more traditional government services being outsourced.

Greater focus of government on safety and cyber security issues.

Shift in global economic power away from advanced economies towards Asia and fast-growing emerging economies.

Growth of regional trading blocs.

POTENTIAL FUTURE

Traditional government services predominantly privatised.

Governments focus on cross-border functions such as cyber mitigation.

China and India the top global powerhouses.





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HARI AHAD - KHAMIS
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KATEGORI PENGUNDI POS LUAR NEGARA

- 1** **WARGANEGARA MALAYSIA DI LUAR NEGARA**
WARGANERA DI LUAR NEGARA Warganegara Malaysia yang telah mendaftar sebagai pemilih tetapi berada di luar negara serta tidak berkesempatan untuk pulang mengundi di Malaysia, dibenarkan untuk memohon mengundi secara pos. Walau bagaimanapun mereka diminta memenuhi beberapa syarat yang telah ditetapkan.
- 2** **PELAJAR DI LUAR NEGARA & PASANGAN**
PTH PELAJAR DI LUAR NEGARA & PASANGAN Pelajar Malaysia yang telah mendaftar sebagai pemilih tetapi berada di luar negara kerana menuntut sepenuh masa serta pasangannya telah dikategorikan sebagai Pengundi Tidak Hadir. Mereka layak mengundi secara pos.
- 3** **PENJAWAT AWAM DI LUAR NEGARA & PASANGAN**
PTH PENJAWAT AWAM DI LUAR NEGARA & PASANGAN Kelayakan ini juga diperuntukkan kepada penjawat awam yang bertugas di luar negara serta pasangannya.



Interesting Facts about Algeria people might not know:

- ✚ *Algeria is the largest country in Africa after Sudan split in 2011. It is 2,381,741 square kilometres of land; more than four-fifths of which is desert.*
- ✚ *The national animal of Algeria is the Fennec Fox and their national football team is named after the animal “Les Fennecs”. Football is Algeria’s national sport. The Fennec is a small desert fox with disproportionately large ears.*
- ✚ *Algeria’s national dish is Couscous which is composed of small pellets of steamed semolina topped with meat, vegetables, and various spices. In Algeria, the most popular meat and vegetable accompaniments for this meal include lamb, carrots and chickpeas.*
- ✚ *Algeria has one of the most beautiful outdoor historical parks in the world which is Tassili n’Ajjer. It is a UNESCO World Heritage site which boasts of one of the largest and best preserved collection of prehistoric cave art in the world with over 15,000 rock paintings and engravings.*
- ✚ *The date palm covers about 167.000 hectares in Algeria with more than 18.6 million palms and dates production of nearly 990.00 tons. The date-producing regions are generally located in the south. Algeria has over 300 date’s varieties with the “Deglet Nour” variety considered to be the world’s best.*





Algeria's Fennec Fox



Tassili National Park



Algerian Couscous



Makam Chahid Monument



Deglet Nour dates





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