

EMBASSY OF MALAYSIA IN TOKYO JAPAN

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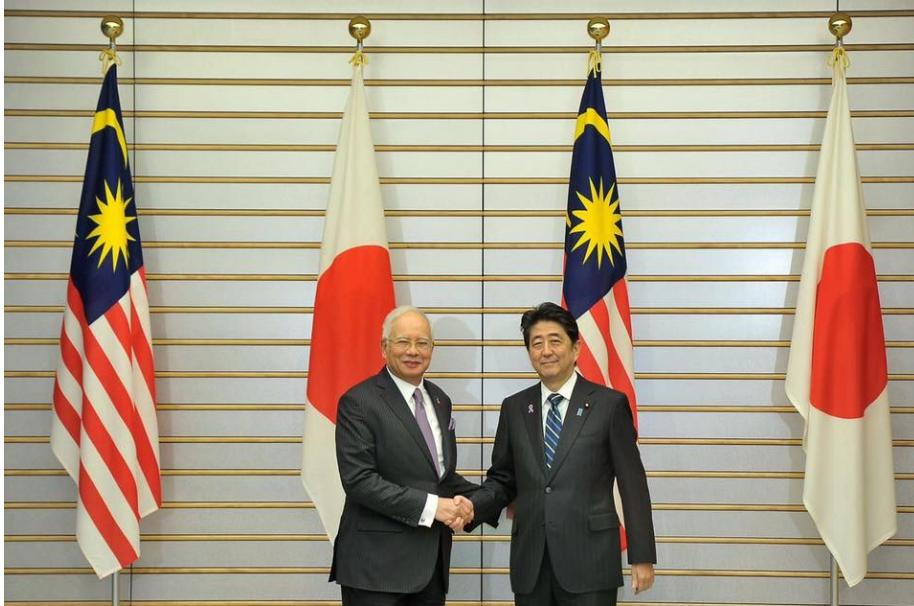
The Malaysian Prime Minister and his counterpart at the latter's office on 16 November 2016

The Prime Minister of Malaysia visited Japan from 15 to 17 November 2016 at the invitation of the Prime Minister Shinzo Abe. The Prime Minister was accompanied by YABhg. Datin Sri Rosmah Mansor, cabinet ministers and senior government officials.

The Prime Minister's programme in Tokyo included summit meeting with the Prime Minister Abe and courtesy call by the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Japan, H.E. Keiichi Ishii. The Prime Minister also received courtesy calls by the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Japan External Trade Organization, (JETRO) Mr. Hiroyuki Ishige, and members of the Japan-Malaysia Parliamentary Friendship Association, to exchange views on bilateral cooperation and regional issues.

This visit was the fourth working visit by Dato' Sri Mohd Najib Tun Abdul Razak to Japan.

WORKING VISIT OF THE PM OF MALAYSIA TO JAPAN, 15-17 NOVEMBER 2016



Top: PM Abe welcoming the Malaysian PM at his office on 16 November 2016 and;

Centre: The Inspection of Guard of Honor :

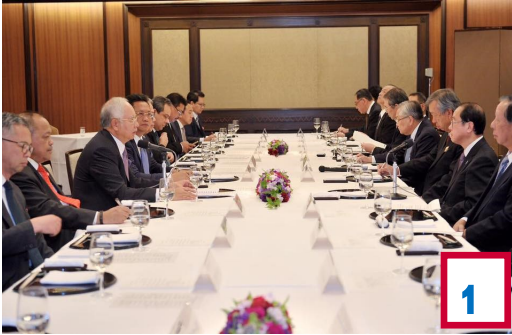


Bottom Left: Summit Meeting between the Malaysian and Japanese delegation headed by their respective Prime Ministers.

Bottom Right: Joint press statement by PM Abe and PM Najib.



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1. Luncheon with the Captains of Industry hosted by Dr Hiroto Izumi, Special Advisor to Prime Minister of Japan;

2. Courtesy call by Mr Hiroyuki Ishige, Chairman and CEO of JETRO;

3. Courtesy call by Members of the Japan-Malaysia Parliamentary Friendship Associations;

4. Exchange of Memorandum of Cooperation between Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA) with JETRO;

5. Exchange of Memorandum of Cooperation between Malaysian External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE) with JETRO;

6. Exchange of Notes on the contribution of two decommissioned Off-shore Patrol Vessels from the Government of Japan to Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) and Official Development Assistance (ODA) Grant Aid.

7. Dinner hosted by Prime Minister Abe and Madame Akie Abe in honor of the Prime Minister of Malaysia and spouse.



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AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES

Data' Ahmad Izlan Idris participated in many activities in the fourth quarter of 2016. As the representative of the Malaysia, he attended various events and activities that are important towards enhancing ties between Malaysia and Japan. The Ambassador also receives various courtesy calls in his office and continue to engage in various activities both at political, economic and social spheres.

Left: HE Data' Ahmad Izlan witnessing the MOU signing ceremony between MDEC and IP Bridge. The MOU was signed by Dato Ng Wan Peng CDO MDEC and Shigeharu Yashii President and CEO of IP Bridge Inc. on 3 October 2016.



1. The opening ceremony of the 20th Itabashi Industrial Exhibition on 10 November 2016.

2. PETRONAS LNG Annual Reception 2016 hosted by its President and Group CEO, Datuk Wan Zulkiflee Wan Ariffin at Palace Hotel.

3. The annual networking reception with friends of MATRADE the Imperial Hotel on 20 October 2016.



AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES



Left: Luncheon meeting hosted by Dato' Seri Shalk Aqmal Al-laudin, Advisor, Zilzar Connection Halal Trade and ;

Right: Courtesy call by the delegation from the Johor Halal Park headed by its CEO, Mr. Mohd Noor Abdul Salam .



Left: Courtesy visit by the delegation from the National Kenaf and Tobacco Board of Malaysia. The delegation was headed by its Chairman, Dato' Hj. Adhan Kechik and ;

Right: Courtesy call by the delegation from the Yayasan Pembangunan Keluarga Darul Takzim, Johor .

Left: The General Assembly of the Japan -Malaysia Parliamentary Friendship Association (JMPFA) at the Office of the Members of the House of Representative. HE Dato' Izlan spoke on behalf of Malaysia and JMPFA was led by its Chairman, Mr Keiji Furuya .



AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES



Courtesy visit by Datuk Wan Zulkiflee Wan Ariffin, President and Group CEO of PETRONAS.



Courtesy call by Dato' Dzulkifli Mahmud, CEO of MATRADE.



Courtesy call by the delegation from the Johor Halal Park headed by its CEO, Mr. Mohd Noor Abdul Salam.



Courtesy call by the Director General of MARA, Datuk Ibrahim Ahmad.



Courtesy call by the Vice Governor of the Aomori Prefecture and his delegation. The call was part of the Vice Governor's effort to promote the renown Aomori Apples. The Aomori prefecture is well known for its high quality agriculture produce particularly the apples. The customary presentation of their apples are done annually at the Embassy.

AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVITIES



Courtesy call by Datuk Seri Jebasingam Issace Jahn, CEO of East Coast Economic Region Development Council (ECERDC).



Courtesy call by Dr Jasmine Jain from School of Education, Taylor's University and Mr Yoshio Ohno, Chairman of International Society of Educational and Cultural Exchange Inc. Foundation.



Left: Visit of HE Dato' Ahmad Izlan to Fukuoka: Courtesy call on the Deputy Mayor of Fukuoka. The Ambassador was also the guest of honor at Fukuoka Malaysia Friendship Association 30th anniversary and National Day reception and Right: Call by Mr Yoshikazu Adachi of AFFIN Bank and Mr Hokushin Kido of Daiwa Securities Group Inc.



Left: Courtesy call by HE Leon Malazogu, the Ambassador of Kosovo and ;

Right: Courtesy call by HE Venetia Sebudandi, Ambassador of Rwanda to Japan.



ASEAN ACTIVITIES

The ASEAN Ambassadors bid farewell to their colleague from Brunei during the 278th ACT Meeting and Farewell Luncheon at the Royal Thai Embassy on 27 December 2017. During the meeting, the Chairmanship of ACT was also handed over from Thailand to Singapore for the January-June 2017 period. The ACT family had a busy schedule during the fourth quarter of 2016. Various activities and programme were held and the ASEAN Ambassadors also had their scheduled full of receptions, engagement with private companies as well as visits to the prefectures in Japan.



The ASEAN Family Day 2016 at Rinkai Park Tokyo



Top Left: The annual ASEAN Ambassadors visit to Nikko, Tochigi Prefecture. The ASEAN Ambassadors were hosted to a welcoming dinner on their first day of the visit. Present were the Mayor of Nikko and the Governor of Tochigi Prefecture and **Top Right:** ASEAN Ambassadors at the reception in conjunction with the Symposium: Towards the 50th Anniversary of ASEAN. The symposium was jointly hosted by the ACT and the ASEAN Japan Centre.

ASEAN ACTIVITIES



ASEAN Ambassadors at the dinner in honor of Mr Toshihiro Nikai, Secretary General of LDP hosted by the Ambassador of Vietnam in Japan on 18 November 2016.



The 20th ASEAN - Sumitomo Dinner Party at Sumitomo Corporation.



The Annual ASEAN Committee in Tokyo Golf Tournament hosted by Embassy of Brunei and International Sports Promotion Society (ISPS) at Brick and Wood Club, Chiba.

ASEAN ACTIVITIES



Top: The 6th ASEAN-Hitachi Gathering at Akasaka Biz Tower, Minato-ku. The annual event brings together ASEAN Ambassadors and the Hitachi team in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. The event was hosted by Mr Toshiaki Higashihara, President & CEO of Hitachi Ltd.



Left: Luncheon hosted by the State Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, Mr. Kentaro Sonoura for ASEAN Heads of Mission on 20 December 2016.



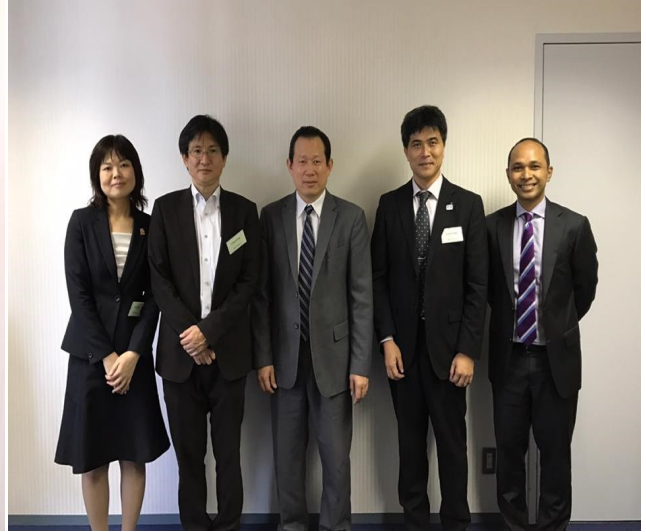
The 278th ACT Meeting and Farewell Luncheon for HE Ambassador of Brunei at the Royal Thai Embassy.

EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES

The Embassy officials participated in various programme and activities in the third quarter of 2016. They continue to actively engage with the local and Malaysian stakeholders. They also represent Malaysia in various events and receive guests, both to discuss issues and implement various programme and strategies that are useful for the enhancement of the bilateral relations between the two countries.



Mr Hedy Assan DCM, meeting the delegation from Fukuoka-Malaysia Friendship Association led by its Vice-President, Ms. Yuka Ono on 5 October 2016



Mr Hedy Assan, DCM receiving the delegation from the City of Nakatsu, Oita Prefecture. The delegation, headed by its Vice Mayor was on a promotional visit to introduce the various sports facilities in Nakatsu that can be used by international athletes to train leading to the 2020 Olympic.



Mr Hedy Assan, DCM, attending the Seminar on Sarawak Timber Legality Verification System (STLVS) at the Imperial Hotel, Tokyo. The Hon. Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah Ali Hassan, the Sarawak Second Minister of Resource Planning and Environment gave the welcoming remarks at the event.

EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES



Visit by IATSS Forum participants, Ms Baitulhusna Ahmad Zamri and Ms Rasina Abdul Rashid at the Embassy today. The visit to the Embassy is part of IATSS Forum programme for participants to brief the outcome of their projects to their respective embassy's officials



Mr Hedy Assan, DGM, with the Malaysian participants at the opening ceremony of the 43rd Ship for Southeast Asian and Japanese youth programme. Malaysian youth has been participating in this annual programme alongside their ASEAN and Japanese friends



Mr Abdul Ghani Selbi, Counsellor, at the 31st Japanese Speech Presentation Event organized by Japan Overseas Enterprises Association at the ASEAN Japan Centre.



The energetic Malaysian youth at the opening ceremony of the 43rd Ship for Southeast Asian and Japanese Youth Programme at the National Olympics Memorial Youth Centre, Tokyo.

EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES



Datin Norfaliza Ismail, First Secretary, at the 56th International Association of Traffic and Safety Sciences (IATSS) Forum Completion Ceremony at Suzuka Circuit, Mie prefecture. Malaysia was represented by Dr. Rasina Abdul Rashid and Ms Baitulhusna Ahmad Zamri.



Kem Badminton Astro (KBA) Certificate Presentation Ceremony at National Training Center, Kitaku Tokyo. KBA is a CSR program initiated by Astro Kasih in collaboration with Ministry of Education, Ministry of Youth and Sports, BAM and Nippon Badminton Association. Initiated in 2012, KBA is aimed to nurture talented young shuttles aged between 10-12 years old to become badminton prodigies through a series of comprehensive training program as well as competitive play experiences at regional and international level. HE Dato' Ahmad Izlan was the guest of honor at the ceremony together with Astro group Chairman Tun Zaki Tun Azmi. Mr Kinji Zeniya, Secretary General of Nippon Badminton Association was also present.

EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES



Mr Hendy Assan, DCM receiving the token of the organically grown rice from Ms Archana Sureshta Joshi from the Association of Medical Doctors of Asia (AMDA).



Mr Hendy Assan, DCM with Malaysian participants at the "Youth Ambassadors for Word Tsunami Awareness Day". The annual programme aims at teaching the young generation on the tsunami history, reconstruction as well as disaster risk reduction elements associated with tsunami and earthquake in Japan. Participants from 29 countries participated in the programme.



Embassy's outreach program with participation of around 150 students from the Koike Elementary School organized by NPD NES System.



Right: The Little Ambassadors Holiday Party 2016 organized by the Japan International Women's Club (JIWC) today. The event was in appreciation of all the participants of the Little Ambassadors Programs held in 2016.

EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES



The "Malaysian Night" hosted by the National Malaysian Student Association in Japan (MSAJ). The annual event brings together Malaysian students in Tokyo for a dinner and performance after a year of hard work at their respective universities



"Labu Labi" performed by Japanese students at the Malaysia Language Play of Gaigosai Festival, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (TUFS). The second year students' play was under the guidance of Puan Faridah Mohamed, Special Associate Professor of Malay Language program



Mr. Ainuddin Ahmad Hilmi, Second Secretary representing the Embassy at the Closing Ceremony of the First Group Training Programme on Improving Capability in Producing Official Statistics for Monitoring the Post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals. Ms. Yuslianah Yusof of Department of Statistics Malaysia participated in the programme.



Meeting between Embassy officials and representatives from the Motor Sports Division, Suzuka Circuit. The meeting centered around Asia Road Racing Championship that involved riders from Malaysia and other Asian countries at the Suzuka Circuit in Mie Prefecture

EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES—HARI SUKAN NEGARA

The Embassy, together with the Malaysian student's association jointly organized the National Sports Day on 8 & 9 October 2016 at the City Memorial Gymnasium, Saitama Prefecture. Some 200 students and Embassy staff participated the programme. Five sporting events were held namely badminton, volleyball, table tennis, basketball and futsal. Dato' Ahmad Izlan Idris officiated the event. The Malaysia National Sports Day was celebrated simultaneously by all agencies in Malaysia as well as Malaysian missions abroad.



EMBASSY'S ACTIVITIES—MALAYSIA DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Embassy organized the annual Malaysia Day golf tournament on 23 October 2016 at the Ichihara Kakinokidai golf course, Chiba Prefecture. The tournament brings together Malaysian and Japanese friends and businessman. Several ASEAN Ambassadors also joined in a round of great game of golf in Tokyo.



OUTREACH PROGRAMMES

The outreach programme by the Embassy continues in the third quarter of 2016. The Embassy received students from the Fudooka Senior High School, Saitama Prefecture, Saikai City International Exchange Association, Nagasaki Prefecture, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, UiTM as well as Malaysian high school students under the annual National Institution for Youth Education (NIYE) Junior Program 2016.



Some 40 students from Fudooka Senior High School, Saitama Prefecture visited the embassy today as part of their cross cultural project under foreign language class activities. findings on halal initiative program .



12 Junior high school students and teachers from Saikai City International Exchange Association, Nagasaki Prefecture visited the embassy as part of their international exposure on Malaysia.



Malaysian high school students under the annual National Institution for Youth Education (NIYE) Junior Program 2016. NIYE is an international exchange program between youths of ASEAN countries and Japan.

OUTREACH PROGRAMMES



Study visit by UiTM students under its Global Outreach Program initiative at the Embassy. The group was received and briefed on Embassy's role and function by Mr. Abdul Ghani Selbi, First Secretary.



Visit by 24 Japanese students studying Malaysian language at the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies. The study visit was part of the university's initiative to expose its students to Malaysia and its cultures.

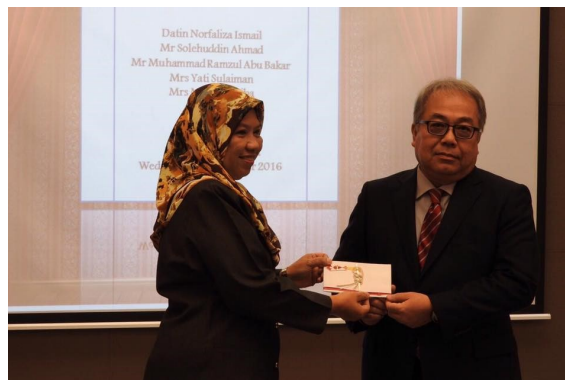
PERWAKILAN NEWS

PERWAKILAN Tokyo at the Ikebana International Fair 2016 at Royal Park Hotel today. Proceeds from the international booths and tables will be donated to Kumamoto earthquake victims through Japan Red Cross.



FAREWELL

The Embassy hosted lunch for our departing and retiring colleague on 28 December 2016. We wish the best of luck to Datin Norfaliza Ismail, Mr Muhammad Ramzul Abu Bakar and Ms. Yati Sulaiman for their new assignment back home and thank you Ms Makiko Chiba her long and dedicated service with the Embassy.





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