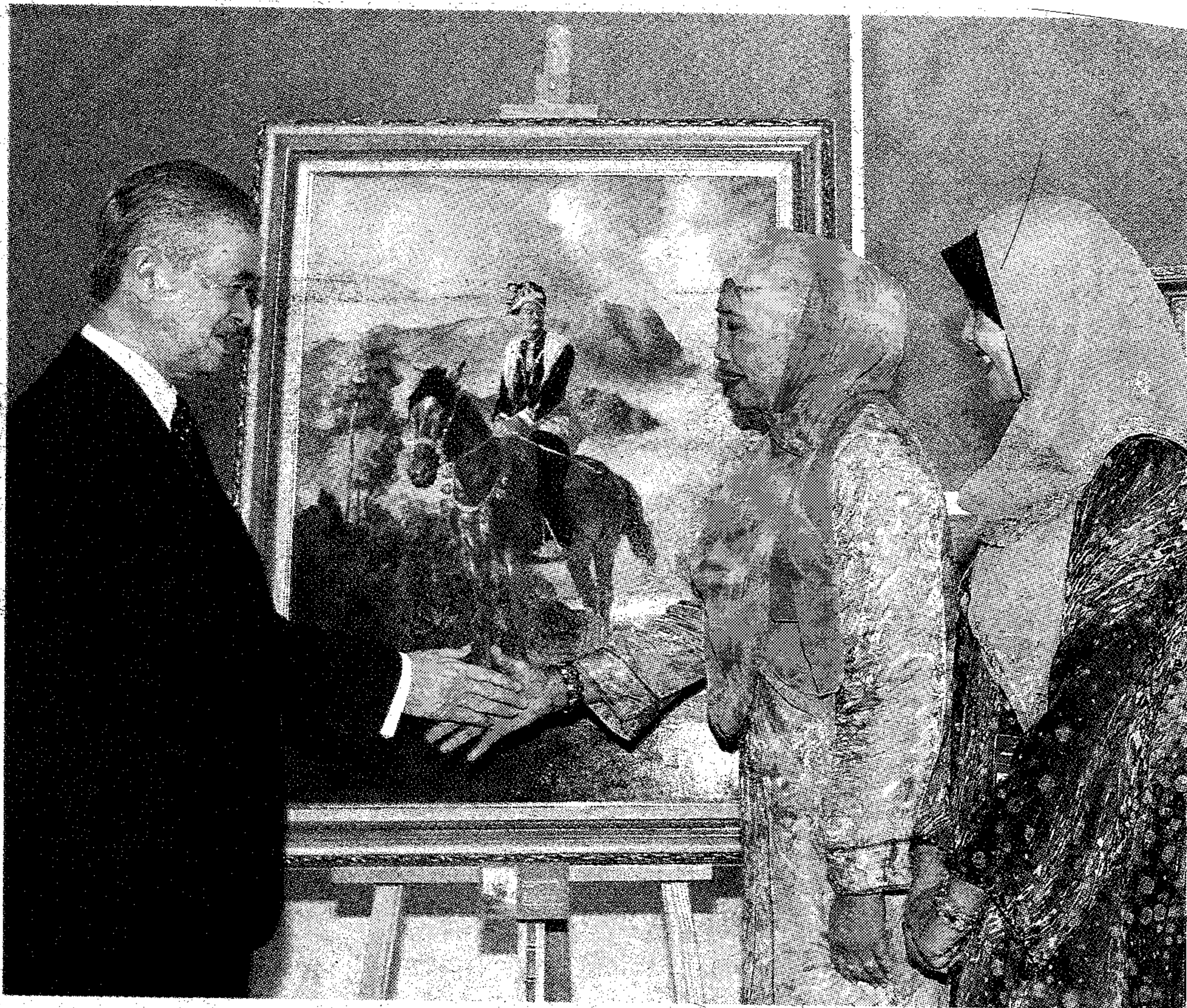


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National treasure

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Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi with Tuty Sumarni Hoessein Enas (centre) and Sulastri Hoessein, the daughters of the late Datuk Mohd Hoessein Enas, a renowned portrait artist. Shell Malaysia handed 18 portraits painted by Hossein, depicting

Malaysians of various races, to the government yesterday as a national heritage. The collection, entitled 'Malaysians', worth more than RM1 million, was commissioned by Shell in 1963 to commemorate the formation of Malaysia and had adorned the offices of Shell ever since.