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More world leaders praise Najib

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KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak yesterday continued to receive congratulatory messages from world leaders on his re-appointment as Malaysia's prime minister, the latest from Chinese premier Li Keqiang and Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe.

Li, in a statement, said China and Malaysia were traditionally friendly neighbours and the ties had advanced ahead of that between China and other Asean countries.

In congratulating Najib, he also said the bilateral cooperation in trade, investment, finance and other fields had made remarkable progress, which was highly appreciated by the Chinese side.

He also wished to work closely with Najib, to push forward China-Malaysia strategic cooperation to a

new level and jointly maintain the healthy and steady development of China-Asean relations.

Meanwhile, Abe said Japan and Malaysia enjoyed the multi-layered bond underpinned by human exchange based on the "Look East Policy", in addition to economic ties through thriving trade and investment.

Najib was sworn in as the country's sixth prime minister before Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah at Istana Negara on Monday.

Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, in congratulating Najib, who is also Barisan Nasional chairman, and BN on the victory, wished him "good health, long life and happiness and peace and prosperity for the Barisan Nasional as

well as brotherly people of Malaysia".

She said this in a message on May 6 which was made available to Bernama by the Bangladesh High Commission here yesterday.

Meanwhile, Sri Lankan President, Mahinda Rajapaksa, said that Najib's re-appointment as the Prime Minister was a testament to the confidence placed on him by the Malaysian people to his leadership and ability to lead the country towards further progress.

The president also noted that Sri Lanka and Malaysia shared a robust partnership, based on common affinities and mutual respect that continued to flourish.

Uzbekistan's ambassador to Malaysia Shukur Sabitov, meanwhile, said that the BN's victory

demonstrated Malaysia's progress in strengthening its democratic institutions.

He said that the victory, had created "reliable conditions" for Najib and his team to continue the implementation of planned reforms to achieve Malaysia's goal to become a high-income nation by 2020.

"Therefore, there is no doubt that in the coming years, Malaysia will gain new achievements in economic development, attracting foreign investment, improving the welfare of the people and strengthening national unity," he said in a statement.

Barisan Nasional won 133 of 222 parliamentary seats in the May 5 general election, defeating a strong challenge from the opposition to form the federal government. **Berna-**
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