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Najib receives warm welcome

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SEPANG: After being away from the country for about two weeks on official engagements, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak returned home to a warm and rousing welcome.

The executive jet carrying the Prime Minister and his wife Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor touched down at 9.55am at the KL International Airport, where a large crowd had made their way to the Bunga Raya complex since as early as 7am.

The crowd, comprising Umno and Barisan Nasional members, and representatives from various non-governmental bodies, also carried placards and banners expressing their support for Najib.

There were also cheering and clapping for Najib and his wife as the couple descended from the plane. Najib, who was all smiles, was then greeted by members of his Cabinet, led by Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi.

Among those present were Transport Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai, Ministers in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Dr Wee Ka Siong and Datuk Mah Siew Keong, Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Abdul Rahman Dahlan, Youth and Sports Minister Khairy Jamaluddin and Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr S. Subramaniam.

It took Najib about 20 minutes to reach his official car as the crowd surged forward to shake his hand.

He stopped several times to oblige requests for photos and selfies.

It is understood that despite a long Aight from Milan to Kuala Lumpur, the Prime Minister headed straight to his office in Putrajaya to attend pre-arranged meetings.

Najib left the country on Sept 21, stopping first in London to officiate the PNB House, the new headquarters for PNB (UK) Ltd, before proceeding to New York for the UN General Assembly and a series of bilateral and business meetings.

The final leg of his foreign engagement brought the Prime Minister to Milan for a three-day working visit.

Abdul Rahman said the large number of people who turned up to welcome the Prime Minister showed that he still commanded strong support from the grassroots.



Back home: Najib greeting well-wishers at the KLIA following his two-week official trip. Looking on is Dr Ahmad Zahid. — Bernama