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'A great advocate of KL-Singapore ties'

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THANKFUL: Najib pays tribute to S.R. Nathan

KUALA LUMPUR

P RIME Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak signed the condolence book at the Singapore High Commission here yesterday as a mark of respect for former Singapore president S.R. Nathan, who died on Monday.

Najib was greeted on arrival by Singapore High Commissioner Vanu Gopala Menon.

Najib, on behalf of the government and the people of Malaysia, expressed his heartfelt condolences to the family of the late former president.

"When he was a high commissioner and subsequently president of Singapore, S.R. Nathan was a great advocate of positive ties between Malaysia and Singapore.

"We are very appreciative for all his contributions," he said.



*Prime Minister **Datuk Seri Najib Razak** signing the condolence book for the late former Singapore president **S.R. Nathan**, with the Singapore High Commissioner **Vanu Gopala Menon** standing by him at the Singapore High Commission in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. Pic by Aizuddin Saad*

Nathan, 92, died peacefully at Singapore's General Hospital at 9.48pm on Monday.

Youth and Sports Minister Khairy Jamaluddin and Transport Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai were among ministers who represented

Malaysia at the state funeral.

"S.R. Nathan was a friend of Malaysia," said Khairy.

Liow said he paid a courtesy call on Nathan twice.

"We are saddened over his demise. We will remember him." **Bernama**