

**Expand Research On Defence And Security - Agong
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 2 (Bernama) - Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Mizan Zainal Abidin said research in defence and security should be expanded to guarantee national harmony.

"We also have the potential to explore new areas like armament and defence technology as the potential is huge," he said at Universiti Pertahanan Nasional Malaysia (UPNM) convocation here Sunday.

The human trafficking issue also attracted the attention of Tuanku Mizan, who hopes that local researchers will find solutions to the problem.

He urged the Ministry of Higher Education to improve infrastructure at UPNM in line with its position as an international university.

Some 407 cadet officers who graduated from 4-5 years courses were commissioned at the ceremony, qualifying them to serve the Malaysian Armed Forces (ATM).

At the ceremony, Tuanku Mizan awarded Honorary Doctor of Philosophy (Internal Security) to Tun Mohammed Hanif Omar, who became the youngest Inspector-General of Police at 35 years-old and served for 20 years.

"For me, the armed forces and police are honorable and respected careers. They are not to gain wealth but to serve our beloved country," said Hanif, 72, in his speech.

The Honorary Masters of War Against Terrorism was awarded to Captain Hamid Awang, 63, for his leadership qualities and courage in fighting the communists.

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