

**Agong Appreciates Malaysian Companies For Contributing To Brunei's Economy**  
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BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, May 9 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah today commended the government of Brunei for providing opportunities to Malaysian individuals and companies to jointly contribute towards the development of the country.

He said Malaysian companies such as Petronas, UEM, MAS, Proton, Maybank, RHB bank and CIMB had taken up the challenge to compete at international level in line with the demands of globalisation.

"I am grateful because Maswings has succeeded in expanding its wings to Brunei since Feb 1," his majesty said at a dinner with 300 Malaysians here Wednesday.

Tuanku Abdul Halim and the Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Hajah Haminah arrived in Brunei Darussalam here for a three-day official visit.

This is the first overseas trip by Tuanku Abdul Halim since he was installed as the 14th Yang di-Pertuan Agong on April 11.

Also present was Minister of Federal Territories and Urban Wellbeing Datuk Raja Nong Chik Raja Zainal Abidin as the minister in attendance.

Tuanku Abdul Halim said the 30,000 Malaysians residing in Brunei, comprising professionals and students, would help build the image of the country.

"I want Malaysian citizens residing in this country to always uphold the good name and image of the country in all their endeavours," he said.

On his visit, Tuanku Abdul Halim said the visit to Brunei was aimed at strengthening bilateral relations between the two countries.

"I am very proud that the friendship between the two countries is now extremely cordial with close cooperation in various fields," he said.

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