

Make Your Country Proud, Najib Tells English Channel Swimmers
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DOVER, Sept 15 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak wants the Armed Forces swimmers to make the country proud in their attempt to conquer the chilling waters of the English Channel tomorrow.

The message was conveyed through his press secretary, Datuk Akmar Hisham Mohkhles, during a brief ceremony at Varne Ridge, Channel Swimming Holiday Park and Bungalow here Friday night.

Akmar, in a speech, said that not only their loved ones would be praying and hoping for their safety and success, but every Malaysian citizen, as well.

He later presented the 14 swimmers, their coach and trainer with a baseball cap, specially autographed by Najib, as proof of support and a morale booster.

Akmar, who arrived from London with Malaysian 7 Continent Exploration Club chief executive officer Muhamad Muqharabbin Mokhtaruddin, was received by Mej (Rtd) Mokhtaruddin Ismail, the team manager at Varne Ridge, where the swimmers had made their home for the past three weeks.

The two teams of the Armed Forces swimmers, comprising solo and relay, are scheduled to make an attempt on the English Channel on Sept 16, in conjunction with Malaysia Day, and also Armed Forces Day, from Dover to Calais in France.

The event is organised by the Malaysian 7 Continent Exploration Club and is under the patronage of the prime minister.

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