

Najib Joins 10,000 Guests At Umno Wings Merdeka Raya Celebration
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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 30 (Bernama) - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin Friday joined 10,000 guests at Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) here for Umno wings Merdeka Raya celebration.

Umno president Najib and deputy president Muhyiddin were met on arrival by Wanita Umno chief Datuk Seri Shahrizat Jalil, Umno Youth chief Khairy Jamaluddin and Puteri Umno chief Datuk Rosnah Abdul Rashid Shirlin.

The prime minister's wife, Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor and the deputy prime minister's wife, Puan Seri Norainee Abdul Rahman were also present at the event held at Merdeka Hall.

Also present were Umno secretary-general Datuk Seri Tengku Adnan Tengku Mansor, vice-presidents Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Tun Hussein, Datuk Seri Ahmad Zahid Hamidi and Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie and information chief Datuk Ahmad Maslan.

Speaking on behalf of the Umno wings, Shahrizat took the opportunity to thank the freedom fighters because their sacrifices enabled the people to live in peace and harmony.

The guests were feted to Malaysian favourites such as satay, lemang, rendang, mee rebus, roast lamb, roti jala, mee goreng, cookies and fruits.

Nurhidayah Kamal, 26, from Setapak was excited to attend the Umno wings open house for the first time.

Accompanied by family members and neighbours, Nurhidayah was happy because it gave her the opportunity to reach out to the Umno leadership.

"I had the opportunity to see several ministers from close range. I hope to see and meet with the prime minister."

Puteri chief of Federal Territory People's Progressive Party (PPP) C. Parameswari, 33, who had attended similar events three times described it as a joyful occasion.

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