

King, Queen Attend Special Ceremony To Honour MH17 Victims

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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 22 (Bernama) -- Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Hajah Haminah arrived at the KL International Airport (KLIA) Bunga Raya Complex in Sepang to attend the ceremony to honour 20 victims of the MH17 tragedy whose remains were flown home Friday.

Their Majesties were joined by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak and wife Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor as well as the next-of-kin of the victims at the complex located adjacent to the KLIA main terminal building.

Also present were Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin and wife Puan Sri Norainee Abdul Rahman, cabinet ministers, members of parliament from the Barisan Nasional and the opposition as well as foreign diplomats.

The special aircraft bearing the remains of the 20 Malaysian nationals who died in the crash in eastern Ukraine on July 17 had left Amsterdam's Schiphol airport at 9.40 pm Malaysian time last night on a 12-hour journey to Kuala Lumpur.

Forty-three Malaysians were killed in the tragedy when Flight MH17 en route from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur went down in Ukraine.

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