

## **PM Najib to Attend OIC Summit**

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ISTANBUL, April 12 (Bernama) - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak will arrive here tomorrow (Wednesday) for a working visit to Istanbul in conjunction with the 13th Islamic Summit 2016.

Malaysian Ambassador to Turkey Datuk Amran Mohamed Zin said the prime minister and his wife, Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor, are expected to arrive at 8am (1pm GMT) at the Sabiha Gokcen International Airport in Istanbul.

"Shortly on arrival, the prime minister will be briefed on the airport which is fully owned by Malaysia Airports Holdings Berhad (MAHB) and the prime minister will also launch the passenger lounge and the development of a new boarding hall expansion project," he told Malaysian journalists, here today.

In the afternoon, the prime minister will witness the signing of a memorandum of understanding and agreement between Tenaga Nasional Berhad and the power company in Turkey, Gama Enerji, concerning cooperation of both parties in the field of electricity supply in Turkey.

About the OIC Summit, Amran said the prime minister would lead the Malaysian delegation to the conference on April 14.

"The prime minister will deliver his speech at the conference on April 14. The prime minister will share Malaysia's stand on issues which are on the agenda of the OIC Summit Meeting," he said.

Meanwhile, Wisma Putra in a statement today said the OIC Summit would focus on the importance of unity and solidarity of the OIC member countries in resolving the challenges faced by the Islamic world.

With the theme 'Unity and Solidarity for Justice and Peace, the Summit stresses the importance of unity and solidarity of the OIC member countries in solving the challenges faced by the Islamic world.

The Summit is expected to also outline measures in the outcome documents for implementation by the OIC Member States, for the betterment of the Member States and the Ummah.

As one of the founding members of the OIC, Malaysia's participation in the Summit demonstrates its strong commitment to continue to play an active role in the Organisation and contribute to the progress and well-being of the Ummah, said the statement.

The OIC Summit, held every three years, will be preceded by a preparatory meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers which is held on April 12-13 and the Senior Officials Meeting, held on April 10-11.

Meanwhile, the wives of heads of OIC member countries will hold a special session on the sidelines of the summit, themed "First Ladies' Leadership on Cancer Control in OIC Member States".

"Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor will also speak at the special session on the policies and measures taken by Malaysia in tackling cancer in the country," said Amran.

The prime minister and his wife are scheduled to return home on April 14 (April 15, 4am Malaysian time).

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