

Najib Arrives In Bangkok for Malaysia-Thai Annual Consultation

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BANGKOK, Sept 8 (Bernama) -- Malaysia's Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak today arrived here from Laos to attend the sixth Malaysia-Thailand Annual Consultation tomorrow.

His arrival at the Royal Thai Air Force base, Wing 6, Dong Mueng, via special aircraft at 7.30pm (local time) with wife, Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor was received by Thailand's Deputy Prime Minister Wissanu Krea-ngam and Malaysian Ambassador to Thailand, Datuk Nazirah Hussain.

Najib was in Laos to attend the ASEAN Summit which ended today.

The annual consultation between the two close neighbouring countries will be held at the Government House tomorrow evening, with Malaysia and Thailand expected to discuss initiatives to increase cooperation in security, economic, trade and several other fields.

According to Nazirah when met by the Malaysian media earlier, among the issues expected to be discussed by both countries will be cooperation to combat cross-border crime, efforts to boost bilateral trade and the conflict in southern Thailand.

Thailand's delegation to the annual consultation will be led by its Prime Minister, Gen Prayut Chan-o-cha.

Both Najib and his Thai counterpart are also scheduled to have a joint press conference at the end of the annual consultation before delegations from both countries attend an official dinner hosted by Prayut.

Najib is also expected to meet the Malaysian media later.

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