

**Najib congratulates national swimmer on 'sweet' gold win**  
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**Welson Sim takes home gold for 400-metre freestyle event at the Mare Nostrum Tour in Monte Carlo, breaking the national record.**

KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Najib Razak has extended his heartiest congratulations to national swimmer Welson Sim for winning the gold medal and breaking the national record for the 400-metre freestyle event at the Mare Nostrum Tour in Monte Carlo, Monaco.

“Congratulations to our swimmer Welson Sim, for winning the gold medal at the Monaco championships, breaking the national record and beating the Olympic champion! The victory is sweet,” said the prime minister in his Twitter posting today.

Sim’s winning time of 3:49.48 seconds also meant he broke the national record of 3:50.33s, also set by him, at the National Age-Group swimming championship in Singapore in March last year.

What is even “sweeter” is that Sim, who represented the country in the swimming event at the Rio Olympics last year, also beat Australian Olympic champion, Mack Horton, who took home the silver.

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