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**MINISTER OF DEFENCE MALAYSIA, YB DATO' SERI UTAMA HAJI MOHAMAD BIN
HAJI HASAN'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED KINGDOM**

Minister of Defence Malaysia, YB Dato' Seri Utama Haji Mohamad bin Haji Hasan is currently conducting an official visit to the United Kingdom to attend the Defence and Security Equipment International (DSEI 2023) scheduled from the 12th to 15th of September 2023, hosted at ExCeL London. His visit to the United Kingdom was at the invitation of his previous counterpart, H.E. Ben Wallace, former Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom.

Malaysia's participation in DSEI 2023 is to express its continued commitment to bolster defence cooperation with the United Kingdom. While visiting DSEI 2023, YB Minister of Defence and the accompanying delegation convened with prominent figures within the international defense industry to gain insights into the latest developments within the defence industry, including the utilization of cutting-edge defence technology equipment and systems. During the meeting, YB Minister of Defence and the delegation explored opportunities for collaboration with the United Kingdom and other strategic nations in the field of science, technology and defence industry. This initiative is in line with the ongoing development of the National Defence and Security Industry Policy (DIPKN) by the Ministry of Defence.

The attendance of the delegation from the Ministry of Defence to DSEI 2023 has also been leveraged to promote the forthcoming Defence Services Asia 2024 and National Security Asia 2024 (DSA 2024 & NATSEC Asia 2024) exhibitions which will be held from the 6th to 9th of May 2024 in Kuala Lumpur.

YB Minister of Defence also capitalized on the opportunity to convene a meeting with the High Commissioner of Malaysia to the United Kingdom, H.E. Dato' Zakri Jaafar. He held further discussions with the Heads of Departments of the High Commission of Malaysia, providing updates on the latest developments within the country and shared Malaysia's perspective on regional security matters. Furthermore, YB Minister of Defence had the privilege of meeting and interacting with Malaysian students in London during a special ceremony organized by Education Malaysia London.

The official visit of YB Minister of Defence to the United Kingdom aligns with the Defence White Paper, where the United Kingdom is designated as a crucial partner within the framework of the Third Pillar of the National Defence Strategy, known as 'Credible Partnerships'. In 1998, the Malaysian Government and the United Kingdom signed the Memorandum of Arrangement Concerning Defence Cooperation to enhance defence cooperation between both nations, particularly in military affairs, science, technology and defence industry.

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**LAWATAN KERJA YB DATO' SERI UTAMA HAJI MOHAMAD BIN HAJI HASAN,
MENTERI PERTAHANAN MALAYSIA KE UNITED KINGDOM**

YB Dato' Seri Utama Haji Mohamad bin Haji Hasan, Menteri Pertahanan Malaysia, kini sedang dalam Lawatan Kerja ke United Kingdom bagi menghadiri Defence and Security Equipment International (DSEI 2023) yang berlangsung mulai 12 hingga 15 September 2023 bertempat di ExCeL London. Lawatan YB Menteri Pertahanan ke United Kingdom adalah di atas jemputan rakan sejawat beliau sebelum ini iaitu TYT Ben Wallace, mantan Setiausaha Pertahanan United Kingdom.

Penyertaan Malaysia ke DSEI 2023 adalah bagi menzahirkan komitmen berterusan Malaysia untuk terus mengukuhkan kerjasama pertahanan bersama United Kingdom. Semasa melawat DSEI 2023, YB Menteri Pertahanan dan delegasi telah mengadakan pertemuan dengan pemain-pemain utama industri pertahanan antarabangsa bagi mendapatkan perkembangan terkini pembangunan industri pertahanan serta penggunaan peralatan dan sistem teknologi pertahanan terkini. Dalam pertemuan tersebut, YB Menteri Pertahanan dan delegasi telah meneroka peluang jalinan kerjasama dengan United Kingdom dan negara-negara strategik dalam bidang sains, teknologi dan industri pertahanan selaras dengan Dasar Industri Pertahanan dan Keselamatan Negara (DIPKN) yang sedang dibangunkan oleh Kementerian Pertahanan.

Kehadiran delegasi Kementerian Pertahanan ke DSEI 2023 juga telah dimanfaatkan sepenuhnya untuk mempromosikan Pameran Defence Services Asia 2024 & National Security Asia 2024 (DSA 2024 & NATSEC Asia 2024) yang akan diadakan mulai 6 hingga 9 Mei 2024 di Kuala Lumpur.

YB Menteri Pertahanan juga mengambil ruang untuk mengadakan pertemuan dengan TYT Dato' Zakri Jaafar, Pesuruhjaya Tinggi Malaysia ke United Kingdom dan seterusnya mengadakan perbincangan dengan Ketua-Ketua Jabatan di Suruhanjaya Tinggi Malaysia antaranya bagi memaklumkan mengenai perkembangan terkini dalam negara serta berkongsi pendirian Malaysia berhubung isu-isu keselamatan serantau.

YB Menteri Pertahanan turut berkesempatan mengadakan pertemuan dan beramah mesra dengan pelajar-pelajar Malaysia di London dalam satu majlis yang dianjurkan oleh Pejabat Education Malaysia London.

Lawatan Kerja YB Menteri Pertahanan ke United Kingdom adalah selari dengan Kertas Putih Pertahanan yang menggariskan United Kingdom sebagai sebuah negara fokus di bawah Tonggak Strategi Pertahanan Ketiga, iaitu Perkongsian Berwibawa. Pada tahun 1998, Kerajaan Malaysia dan United Kingdom telah memeterai Memorandum Aturan mengenai Hubungan Kerjasama Pertahanan bagi mempertingkatkan kerjasama pertahanan antara kedua-dua negara khususnya dalam bidang ketenteraan serta sains, teknologi dan industri pertahanan.

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