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**MALAYSIA-RUSSIA BILATERAL MEETING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE OFFICIAL
VISIT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE
RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

**27 August 2019
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

The Minister of Defence, YB Haji Mohamad bin Sabu welcomed His Excellency Nikolai P. Patrushev, Secretary of the National Security Council of the Russian Federation for a two-day visit from 27 to 28 August 2019. YB Haji Mohamad co-chaired the Malaysia-Russia Bilateral Meeting with His Excellency Nikolai P. Patrushev on 27 August 2019. YB Haji Mohamad led the Malaysian delegation, comprising of Ministry of Defence, Malaysian Armed Forces, National Security Council, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Transport, Royal Malaysian Police and Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency.

Both co-chairs exchanged their views on various aspects of bilateral relations including security challenges, defence cooperation, combating illegal drug trafficking, cyber security as well as tackling organised crime and extremism. Both co-chairs also expressed sincere interest in enhancing collaboration particularly in sharing of information to curb international terrorism.

YB Haji Mohamad reiterated Malaysia's desire to enhance the defence industry cooperation through smart partnership, joint ventures and strategic business alliances between Malaysia and Russia's defence companies. Furthermore, YB Haji Mohamad highlighted Malaysia's support on the future of cooperation with Russia in the field of cyber security.

Both co-chairs also expressed satisfaction on the growing cooperation between the two countries. His Excellency Nikolai P. Patrushev inaugural visit to Malaysia has provided ample opportunity for both countries to further enhance existing relationship.

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