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DEFENCE MINISTER ATTENDED DOHA FORUM IN QATAR

The Malaysian Defence Minister, YB Haji Mohamad bin Sabu was in Doha, Qatar part of the Malaysian delegation led by YAB Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad to attend the Doha Forum from the 11 to the 15 December 2019.

During this visit, YB Haji Mohamad accompanied YAB Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad to a high-level meeting with His Highness Sheikh Tamim Hamad Al Thani, Amir of the State of Qatar. Several Memorandum of Understanding were signed during this visit, namely the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Malaysia and the Government of the State of Qatar on the Establishment of High-Level Joint Committee which promotes bilateral discussion in several areas of cooperation namely culture and diplomacy. YB Haji Mohamad also accompanied YAB Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad in a meeting with local captains of industries to discuss potential cooperation between both countries.

At the side line of the Doha Forum, YB Haji Mohamad has called on His Excellency Dr Khalid bin Mohamed Al Attiyah, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of State for Defense Affairs. Both Defence Ministers discussed on future defence collaborations in the field of science, technology and industry as well as defence cooperation between Malaysian Armed Forces and Qatar Armed Forces. YB Haji Mohamad also met Japanese Minister of Defence Mr Taro Kono and discussed regional issues as well as future defence cooperation between Malaysia Armed Forces and Japanese Defence Forces especially in the field of Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief.

YB Mohamad bin Sabu attendance to the Doha Forum is part of the credible partnership underlined in the Defence White Paper under the pretext of defence diplomacy initiative to promote positive defence relations through bilateral platforms in addressing regional and international defence and security issues of common concerns. This also highlights Malaysia's continuous commitment to also promote Malaysian defence industry to strategic partners.

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