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HISTORIC MILESTONE: MALAYSIA'S FIRST HIGH COMMISSIONER PRESENTS CREDENTIALS TO KING CHARLES III AHEAD OF 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF BILATERAL TIES

LONDON, 22 OCTOBER 2026 – His Excellency Dato' Indera Dr. Azfar bin Mohamad Mustafar, High Commissioner of Malaysia to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, today presented his Letters of Credence to His Majesty King Charles III at St James's Palace, London, formally commencing his tenure as Malaysia's representative to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by his spouse, YBhg. Datin Indera Che Norhayati Soib. For this significant diplomatic occasion, the High Commissioner travelled to St James's Palace in a traditional horse-drawn carriage, passing through the historic surroundings of St James's Park, offering a fitting approach to the Palace.

The presentation of credentials marks an important milestone in the High Commissioner's diplomatic mission and reflects Malaysia's steadfast commitment to strengthening its longstanding friendship and multifaceted partnership with the United Kingdom.

"It is a profound honour to present my credentials to His Majesty King Charles III. I feel a deep sense of pride and responsibility in representing Malaysia, particularly as we approach the 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Malaysia and the United Kingdom in 2027. I look forward to building on the strong foundations of our bilateral relationship and further deepening the friendship and cooperation between our two countries," said the High Commissioner.

His Excellency Dato' Indera Dr. Azfar bin Mohamad Mustafar is a career diplomat who assumed his role as High Commissioner of Malaysia to the United Kingdom on 8 July 2026.

Prior to his current appointment, he served as High Commissioner of Malaysia to the Republic of Singapore from 21 July 2021 to 1 July 2026, and as Ambassador of Malaysia to France—with concurrent accreditation to Monaco and Portugal—from May

2018 to May 2021. He has also served as Director-General of the Department of Maritime Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia.

The High Commission of Malaysia looks forward to working closely with the UK Government, institutions, businesses, and the Malaysian community in the United Kingdom to further advance bilateral relations and shared interests in the years ahead.

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