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MALAYSIA AND THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY SIGNED AGREEMENT ON CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

18 DECEMBER 2019, PUTRAJAYA - Malaysia and Turkey today have successfully inked an agreement on co-operation in the field of Science and Technology to forge greater collaboration, marking a new milestone of closer bilateral cooperation and relationship for both nations.

The agreement was signed by Minister of Energy, Science, Technology, Environment and Climate Change, YB Puan Yeo Bee Yin and her Turkey counterpart, H.E Mustafa Varank, Minister of Industry and Technology at Perdana Putra today. YAB Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia and The Honourable Recep Tayyip Erdogan, President of Turkey witnessed the Agreement exchange ceremony.

The major thrust of the Agreement is to promote mutually beneficial cooperation between Malaysia and Turkey in the areas of joint research and development, exchange of expertise, joint scientific conferences, common utilisation of scientific facilities and any other areas of co-operation within the framework of the agreement.

The Agreement will serve as a catalyst for co-operation in science and technology as well as forging closer bilateral relationship. Both countries will also support the participation of their public and private sectors including universities, institutions, societies and organisations in joint collaboration projects.

With the signing of the Agreement, an official platform will be established to determine priority areas; plan, coordinate and monitor the bilateral cooperation in science and technology, as well as consider proposed cooperation. Both countries are ready to explore cooperation and collaboration in the areas of nano technology, aerospace, biotechnology, and commercialisation of local R&D products.

The Turkish high-level delegation visit to Malaysia led by The Honourable Recep Tayyip Erdogan, President of Turkey, is in conjunction with the on-going Kuala Lumpur Summit 2019 at Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre until 21 December 2019.

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