

Agong visits Mindef

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KUALA LUMPUR: Yang di-Pertuan Agong Al-Sultan Abdullah Ri'ayatuddin Al-Mustafa Billah Shah today visited the Defence Ministry (Mindef), here.

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The Negaraku was played by the combined bands of the Royal Malay Regiment before His Majesty received the royal salute and inspected the guard of honour mounted by four officers and 103 men led by Major Nurul Fauzan Md Sabri.

The King then signed the visitors' book witnessed by Hishammuddin and Affendi.

After the 30-minute welcoming ceremony, His Majesty was briefed by senior officers.

The over three-hour visit by His Majesty ended with the exchange of greetings with the ministry's officers and staff.

This visit is the first since the proclamation of Al-Sultan Abdullah as the 16th Yang di-Pertuan Agong. - Bernama