

Statement by

**His Highness Tuimalealiifano Vaaletoa Sualauvi II
Head of State
of the Independent State of Samoa**

**On the Occasion of the Presentation of Credentials of
H.E. Ms. Nur Izzah Wong Mee Choo
High Commissioner-designate of Malaysia
to the Independent State of Samoa**

**Office of the Head of State, Vailele
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Your Excellency,

I am pleased to receive your Letters of Credence accrediting you as the High Commissioner of Malaysia to the Independent State of Samoa.

I also extend my sincere thanks for presenting the Letter of Recall for your predecessor and would humbly ask that you convey my best wishes and good health of His Majesty Al-Sultan Abdullah Ri'ayatuddin Al-Mustafa Billah Shah.

Excellency,

Our countries share similar interests and aspirations in trade, capacity building and cooperation in the international fora which we engage in these areas within the United Nations and the Commonwealth.

Like Malaysia, we attach great importance to human capacity building and the Government of Samoa appreciates Malaysia's continuous support through its Malaysian Technical Cooperation Programme which has trained Samoan officials over the past three decades in areas such as diplomacy, tourism, taxation, health, energy, technology and others. These training programmes contribute to the professional experience of our public service and sustainable development of Samoa.

Samoa has supported Malaysia's candidatures in international organizations over the years and has provided a platform to further our cordial relations and will continue to do so on various occasions.

Excellency,

I wish you the very best in your tenure as the High Commissioner of Malaysia to Samoa. I am confident that during your tenure, your office will continue to push the warm relations that our two countries enjoy to new heights and in promoting areas for further cooperation between our Governments.

I hope that you will enjoy the rest of your visit in Samoa.