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Royal couple back from haj

ALOR STAR: Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah and Raja Permaisuri Tuanku Haminah Hamidun arrived here last night after performing the haj in Mecca.

The special aircraft carrying the king, queen and their delegation from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, touched down at the Sultan Abdul Halim Airport here at 9pm.

They had left for the pilgrimage on Oct 19.

Among those in the delegation was the king's daughter, Tunku Puteri Intan Safinaz, who is also a member of the Kedah Regency Council.

On hand to welcome them were Kedah Regent Tan Sri Tunku Anuar Sultan Badlishah, Kedah Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Azizan Abdul Razak and other state dignitaries.

The royal couple then left for Istana Anak Bukit, their official residence in Kedah. **Bername**