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CROWN PRINCE AWARDED WITH DOCTORATE **IN ISLAMIC FINANCE**

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and **Chancellor of Universiti** Islam Sultan Sharif Ali (UNISSA) presents the certificate of Honorary Degree of Doctor in Islamic Finance to His Royal Highness Prince (Dr) Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, the **Crown Prince and Senior** Minister at the Prime
Minister's Office, and
Pro-Chancellor of UNISSA
during UNISSA's 8th Hafl
Al-Takharruj (Convocation Ceremony) at ICC

yesterday - Lyna Mohamad (See Full Report On Page 5)

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Massive clean-up in Hong Kong after typhoon chaos

HONG KONG (AFP) - Hong Kong began a massive cleanup yesterday after Typhoon Mangkhut raked the city, shredding trees and bringing damaging floods in a trail of destruction that left dozens dead in the Philippines and millions evacuated in southern China.

The death toll in the Philippines, where the north of the main island of Luzon was mauled by fierce winds and rain, reached 65. It was expected to rise further as frantic rescuers pulled bodies from a massive landslide in the mountain town of Itogon.

The landslide buried an emergency shelter which was being used by miners and their families.

Eleven bodies have been pulled from the rubble and up to 40 more may still be trapped. Relatives of the buried were among those digging with shovels and their bare hands in an increasingly desperate attempt to find survivors.

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Sultan announces new **UNISSA** campus site

LYNA MOHAMAD

HIS Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, and Chancellor of Universiti Islam Sultan Sharif Ali (UNISSA), yesterday gave consent for the allocation of a site at Mukim Labu in the Temburong District, together with the construction of the university's permanent campus under the 11th National Development Plan.

In his titah delivered at UNISSA's 8th Hafl Al-Takharruj (Convocation Ceremony), the monarch also expressed hope that the campus would further boost UNISSA's reputation as a hub for higher Islamic education in the region.

"UNISSA not only needs to excel within Brunei, but also at the regional and global levels; therefore, the time has come for UNISSA to gain a ranking at a regional or global level. It would be a great achievement if this university could compete with the other universities," said His Majesty.

The monarch also reminded that the establishment of UNISSA was not merely intended to increase the number of universities in Brunei, but to



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provide higher Islamic education in an authentic form.

Therefore, we must ensure that UNISSA does not stray from its course. It must stay true to the objective of elevating knowledge, in order to accomplish rapid changes; and the graduates should be able to master the knowledge and use it for the sake of development," said His Majesty.

"This is a 21st Century challenge that needs to be fulfilled, and noone should be insouciant about meeting this challenge.'

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