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# Brunei, Qatar usher in new era of friendship

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BRUNEI Darussalam and the State of Qatar embarked on a new era of friendship and cooperation yesterday with the signing of two Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) and two agreements that will further strengthen ties between the two countries.

His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam also expressed same sentiment in his *titah* yesterday when the monarch said that he believed that there are still many areas where Brunei and the State of Qatar can expand their cooperation and strengthen their friendship.

"Brunei Darussalam greatly values the excellent ties that we have with the State of Qatar," His Majesty said, adding that since the establishment of diplomatic relations more than 20 years ago, the two countries have continued to progress satisfactorily.

The presence of the Emir of Qatar, His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, at Istana Nurul Iman yesterday.

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His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam (R) received in audience His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, The Emir of Qatar, at Istana Nurul Iman yesterday. Picture: BT/Saifulizam See also A4 and A5

## Two families living under one roof can get separate power meters

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FOR the convenience of two or more families living under one roof, the Energy Department at the Prime Minister's Office (EDPMO) has come up with a scheme where they can have separate prepaid electricity meters for their power consumption.

However, EDPMO made it clear they should come under the low-income category or consume more than 2,000 kWh monthly.

EDPMO has also made a special provision for families with special needs individual(s), who need air-conditioning 24 hours a day for example. They can also apply for additional prepaid meter(s).

Families eligible for this provision can visit any Department of Electrical Services (DES) branch to apply for consideration of additional prepaid electricity meter(s). The new electricity tariff structure for residential customers

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