HAJI ABDUL GHAFAR BIN HAJI ISMAIL

HIGH COMMISSIONER

BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

BORN:	1 October 1952	
AGE:	55	
MARITAL STATUS:	Married to Mrs Aishah Husain Has three children	
EDUCATION:	1972 - 1975	BA (Hons) Geography, University of Stafforrdshire, United Kingdom
	1981 - 1982	PGCE, Reading University, United Kingdom
	1985	Foreign Service & Diplomatic Course, Australian National University & Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Australia
	1987 - 1988	MA (International Law & Diplomacy), The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Boston, USA
	1994	European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA), Maastricht, the Netherlands
CAREER:	1978	Joined Brunei Darussalam Government Service
	1985 - 1987	Second Secretary, Embassy of Brunei Darussalam in Bangkok, Thailand
	1988 - 1989	Assistant Director of Economics, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

CAREER: (Cont'd)	1989 - 1992	First Secretary, Embassy of Brunei Darussalam in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	
	1992 - 1993	Deputy Director of ASEAN, Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
	1993 - 1995	Deputy Director of Protocol and Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
	1996 - 1998	Deputy Grand Chamberlain, Office of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di- Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam	
	1998 - 1999	Director of Multilateral Economics, Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
	1999 - 2001	Director of Politics II, Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
	Nov 2001 - Jun 2007	High Commissioner of Brunei Darussalam to India and concurrently Non-Resident High Commissioner of Brunei Darussalam to Sri Lanka and Non-Resident Ambassador of Brunei Darussalam to Nepal	
	1 Aug 2007	High Commissioner-designate of Brunei Darussalam to Singapore	
	29 Nov 2007	High Commissioner of Brunei Darussalam to Singapore	
HONOURS:	P.I.K.B Pingat Indah Kerja Baik, 1989		
	Jubilee Medal, 1992		
	S.M.B The Most Honourable Order of Seri Paduka Mahkota Brunei, 3rd Class, 1993		
	Proclamation of Independence Medal, 1997		
	Commandeur Legion d'Honneur, France, 1997		

HONOURS: Meritorius Service Medal, 2000 (Cont'd) Long Service Medal, 2005

HOBBIES: Reading, jogging, golf and badminton

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