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Service marks 80th Commemoration of Operation Oboe

The Australian High Commission in Brunei Darussalam and the Royal Brunei Armed Forces jointly hosted a solemn commemorative ceremony on 10 June 2025 at the Brunei-Australia Memorial, to mark the 80th anniversary of the Oboe Landings during the Second World War.

The Australian High Commission was honoured by the presence of Brigadier General (U) Dato Seri Pahlawan Mohd Sharif bin Dato Paduka Haji Ibrahim, senior members of the Royal Brunei Armed Forces, diplomatic and defence representatives, and members of the public.

In his address, Australian High Commission H.E. Michael Hoy said the importance of Operation Oboe to Brunei, Australia and the United States “could not be understated.”

“Operation Oboe ended the Second World War on Borneo, returned the Sultan to his rightful place, and set Brunei on course to becoming the modern, thriving nation we see today.”

“Having troops from Australia, Brunei and the United Kingdom on parade today is testament to the close relationships we have maintained since 1945.”

The ceremony’s message of courage, resilience, and reconciliation was reinforced through the Australian High Commission’s recently launched *Saksi Sejarah* (Witnesses of History) photo exhibition at Energy Hub, open until 15 June.

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