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**Grand Cross of Hutt
Presentation to:
Rabbi Dr Shalom Coleman**

27th January 2013

Leading members of Perth's Jewish community and friends gathered on Sunday 27th January 2013 to witness the Grand Cross of Hutt being presented to Emeritus Rabbi Dr Shalom Coleman at his home in Perth on behalf of H. R. H. Prince Leonard of Hutt. Rabbi Coleman was made aware that he was a recipient of the highest Order the PHR has to bestow when it was announced in the 2013 New Year Honours List on January 01st. See more here:

“As the highest honor of the Principality H.R.H. does not bestow the Grand Cross of Hutt lightly. It is the mark of a man or woman who has performed truly exceptional services to the Sovereign, the Principality, the community and the world” explained Sir Richard Ananda Barton K.O.W.L., representing H.R.H. “Rabbi Coleman has been a tireless builder of bridges between the Jewish and gentile communities, he has been a force for good on five continents” added Sir Richard.

In answer Justice Michael Odes QC president of the Perth Hebrew Congregation had this to say;

“Rabbi Coleman has become an iconic figure, not only in the Jewish Community but also in the wider community. He has devoted his entire life to the service of others....The word retirement finds no place in his vocabulary.May I use this opportunity to convey the best

wishes of all of us to H. R. H. Prince Leonard and to his family and to express on behalf of all of us the hope that the principality will continue to thrive.

After accepting the Grand Cross and accompanying citation Rabbi Coleman said.....
"I would like to thank H. R. H. for having thought that such an award is one which I should be worthy of. I want you to convey to him my blessings and to tell him that I am always here to support his endeavours" 'I also want to express, not only on my behalf but on behalf of the Jewish people that we are very grateful for the friendship and support that is being given by people like

H. R. H. ... I hope that the Prince and Princess Shirley will always have a good life and a long life with good health and that the Principality will grow from strength to strength" added the Rabbi.

Following the presentation those attending enjoyed afternoon tea.

Rabbi Coleman was presented with the Grand Cross of Hutt as part of the Principality of Hutt River's 2013 New Year's Honours List by: Lt. Sir Richard Ananda Barton KOWL., RHRL. assisted by: Ms Pamela Searle on January 27 2013

2013 New Year Honours List announcement:

www.principality-hutt-river.com/RCH/PHR_New_Year_Honours_2013.htm

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www.principality-hutt-river.com/rch/PHR_RCH_2013_GCH_Presentation.htm

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