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CZECH PRIME MINISTER ARRIVES FOR THREE-DAY VISIT

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 8 (Bernama) -- Czech Prime Minister Vaclav Klaus arrived here today for a three-day visit to Malaysia to enhance bilateral relations including trade and economic cooperation.

Klaus, accompanied by his wife, Livia Klausova, and his delegation were received by Foreign Minister Datuk Abdullah Ahmad Badawi on arrival at the Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Airport in Subang near here.

Also present was Deputy Education Minister Datuk Khalid Yunus, who is minister-in-attendance.

The Czech delegation includes the Deputy Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, Jiri Weigl, and Acting Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry, Pavel Dvorak.

A formal welcoming ceremony at Parliament Square will be held tomorrow for Klaus who is on his first official trip here at the invitation of Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

The Czech leader will visit the Orchid Garden and Kuala Lumpur City Centre twin towers project later today.

After the ceremonial welcome, Klaus will have an audience with Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar at Istana Negara and meet Dr Mahathir in the afternoon.

He is also scheduled to deliver a keynote address at an economic seminar and attend a luncheon hosted by the National Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

Dr Mahathir is also hosting a dinner in honour of the Czech leader at his residence, Sri Perdana, tomorrow night. -- BERNAMA

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