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IRANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO BEGIN TWO-DAY VISIT TOMORROW

KUALA LUMPUR, March 9 (Bernama) -- Iranian Foreign Minister Dr Ali Akbar Velayati will arrive here tomorrow for a two-day visit as the Special Envoy of President Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani.

He is coming here to extend an invitation from the Iranian President to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to attend the inauguration of the "Inter Connection Railway Networks" between Iran and Turkmenistan scheduled for May, according to a Wisma Putra statement today.

Dr Velayati will also meet his counterpart Datuk Abdullah Ahmad Badawi to discuss bilateral relations and exchange views on international issues of mutual interest.

After Malaysia, he is expected to visit Indonesia and Brunei Darussalam. -- Bernama

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