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Abu Hassan - Luxembourg

MALAYSIA TO HELP LUXEMBOURG SET UP EMBASSY IN KL

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BANGKOK, March 2 (Bernama) -- Malaysia will give all necessary help to Luxembourg to enable it to set up an embassy in Kuala Lumpur, Acting Foreign Minister Datuk Abu Hassan Omar said today.

Luxembourg's desire to set up the embassy proved its seriousness in wanting to foster closer ties between the two countries, he told Bernama here. Abu Hassan is a member of the Malaysian delegation headed by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to the Asia-Europe Summit which ended here today.

Malaysia also has no embassy in Luxembourg but its Ambassador in Brussels is accredited to that nation.

Abu Hassan was speaking after talks with Luxembourg's Foreign Minister Poos Jacques here. Abu Hassan also held talks with Germany's Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel and Italian Foreign Minister Susanna Agnelli.

Abu Hassan said he discussed technology transfer, training and education programmes with Kinkel.

"We proposed that German companies operating in Malaysia provide scholarships and training facilities to Malaysians and Kinkel said he will look into this," he said.

Abu Hassan, who is Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs, said he also sought German cooperation to train Malaysians in the field of intellectual property.

On his talks with Agnelli, he said Italy was interested in participating in Malaysia's development process such as in power generation. -- BERNAMA

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