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POLISH PRIME MINISTER ARRIVES FOR THREE-DAY VISIT

KUALA LUMPUR, March 22 (Bernama) -- Polish Prime Minister Dr Wlodzimierz Cimoszewicz arrived here today for a three-day official visit to Malaysia, aimed at boosting relations between the two countries.

He was met on arrival at the Sultan Abdul Aziz Shah Airport in Subang by Foreign Minister Datuk Abdullah Haji Ahmad Badawi.

Dr Cimoszewicz is accompanied by his wife, Barbara, First Deputy Finance Minister Krzysztof Kallicki, First Deputy National Defence Minister Andrzej Karkoszka, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Robert Mroziewicz, senior government officials and members of the private sector.

The Polish leader was then whisked away for an official welcoming ceremony at Parliament Square.

He is scheduled to have an audience with the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar and Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Najihah at Istana Negeri Sembilan after that.

This afternoon, Dr Cimoszewicz will pay a courtesy call on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at the Prime Minister's Department prior to attending a delegation meeting between the two countries.

Dr Mahathir will host a dinner in honour of the Polish leader tonight at Seri Perdana.

This is Dr Cimoszewicz's first visit to South East Asia after being appointed as Prime Minister last month. -- BERNAMA

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