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Harrods

HARRODS TO OPEN FIRST MALAYSIAN OUTLET

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 4 (Bernama) -- England's famed departmental store, Harrods, will open its first outlet in Malaysia at the new Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) in Sepang scheduled for opening in April.

It will also market several Malaysian-made products in the United Kingdom in cooperation with several Malaysian companies, according to a press statement released ahead of a joint news conference by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Harrods owner, Mohamed Al-Fayed, here today.

The Malaysian products include 500 units of the electric-powered golf buggy manufactured by Tenaga Nasional subsidiary, Perusahaan Otomobil Elektrik Malaysia (POEM) Sdn Bhd.

Harrods will also market MEC-brand electrical appliances as well as garments manufactured by Puncak Intan Sdn Bhd.

The electric-powered buggy named Eleksuria was unveiled by Dr Mahathir last December and drew much attention when it was displayed at the 1997 Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace (Lima) exhibition.

POEM is a joint-venture company between Tenaga Nasional and UK-based Frazer-Nash Research Ltd.

Tomorrow, Al-Fayed will visit the Malaysia Electric Corporation (MEC) plant in Kuantan which manufactures household appliances.

The Egyptian-born tycoon arrived here yesterday and was a guest of Dr Mahathir in Langkawi to explore investment opportunities on the resort island.

He also visited KLIA project today where he was briefed on the facilities at the RM9 billion airport by Malaysia Airports Berhad (MAB) chairman Tan Sri Basir Ismail. -- BERNAMA

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