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MAHATHIR TO MEET CEOS TOMORROW

KUALA LUMPUR, July 22 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will explain to chief executive officers of Malaysian trading companies government efforts towards boosting exports at a dialogue here tomorrow, an official said today.

The dialogue, to be held at the Putra World Trade Centre, is aimed at intensifying export-boosting efforts through reinforcing of rapport and understanding between those in the country's export sector, said a spokesman of the Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (Matrade).

The discourse is also aimed at gathering feedback and proposals from Malaysian trading companies on new ways and methods for the country to increase exports given the sector's crucial role in expediting economic recovery, the spokesman said.

A fortnight ago Dr Mahathir had reportedly proposed to meet local importers and exporters in an effort to enlist their help in speeding up economic recovery.

Dr Mahathir had said that at his impending meeting with them he would also propose the use of the local currency for export transactions given the appreciation of the United States dollar against the ringgit.

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