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MISC INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL FEEDER FIRM

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 23 (Bernama) -- Malaysian International Shipping Corporation Bhd, the country's premier shipping company, will be invited by the government to participate in the proposed national feeder company, transport minister Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik said today.

The ministry was discussing with many shipping companies to get feedback on the proposal, he told reporters after opening a motor show here.

"We are telling the ideas (to them). I have been talking with a lot of shipping companies and we have various options. So discussions are going on with existing feeder companies on whether we want to have joint ventures or whether we could have other options," he said.

The establishment of the feeder company was first mooted at a dialogue with port users chaired by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad last month. The proposal has been accepted by the Cabinet.

The establishment of a national feeder company is to bring all cargoes from Malaysia to Port Klang to increase the cargo load in the nation's premier port.

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