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NEW ZEALAND DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT MALAYSIA

KUALA LUMPUR, June 2 (Bernama) -- New Zealand Deputy Prime Minister Winston Peters, will lead a delegation of business leaders and government officials, at the invitation of Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, on a three-day official visit to Kuala Lumpur beginning June 15, 1998.

A statement from the New Zealand High Commission said the delegation, which would represent both political and business interest, underlines the considerable importance New Zealand attached to its relations with Malaysia.

Malaysia is New Zealand's 10th biggest trading partner.

While in Malaysia, Peters would call on the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Anwar, International Trade and Industry minister, Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz and other senior government officials.

In addition, he would deliver a keynote address at the "Malaysia - New Zealand, Asia Pacific Partners Seminar" on June 16, 1998.

He is also expected to visit the New Zealand Milk Products plant in Shah Alam, participate in the promotion of New Zealand produced "smart technology" at a major chain of petrol stations and witness the signing of an open skies agreement between Malaysia and New Zealand.

He would also visit Pulau Pinang and call on chief minister Tan Sri Koh Tsu Koon and visit the Penang Development Corporation (PDC). -- BERNAMA

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