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UGANDAN PRESIDENT BEGINS STATE VISIT TOMORROW

KUALA LUMPUR, April 14 (Bernama) -- Ugandan President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni is scheduled to arrive here tomorrow to begin a four-day state visit to strengthen bilateral ties.

The visit is at the invitation of the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar, the Foreign Ministry said today.

Museveni will be accompanied by his wife, Janet, First Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Eriya Kategaya, Planning and Economic Development Minister Richard Kaijuka and a 30-member official delegation.

A ceremonial welcome at Parliament Square is scheduled for Thursday, Wisma Putra said in a statement.

The Ugandan leader is scheduled to have an audience with Tuanku Ja'afar who will be hosting a State Banquet at Istana Negara in Museveni's honour.

Museveni will attend a delegation meeting with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to discuss bilateral, regional and international issues, the statement said.

The Ugandan leader is also scheduled to address a dinner dialogue with Malaysian businessmen and visit the Multimedia Development Corporation as well as the national car manufacturing plant in Shah Alam.

Museveni will also visit the Sungai Way Free Trade Zone, the Palm Oil Research Institute of Malaysia, the Malaysian Industrial Development Authority and the Economic Planning Unit. -- BERNAMA

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