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US businessmen visit `to show support'

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BUSINESSMEN from several United States multinationals will be in Malaysia next week to reaffirm the importance of the country to American businesses and to show support for the economic recovery process.

Led by the Boeing Company vice president for international affairs, George Roman, the group will meet officials from the public and private sectors to explore ways for American businesses to help address the economic problems.

Boeing public affairs officer Thomas Tripp said the group was expected to meet Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad tomorrow.

They will also meet members of the National Economic Advisory Council. They will be in Kuala Lumpur until Wednesday.

"They will see if there are ways American businesses could participate in the recovery process," he said.

The delegation includes senior officials of AIG, Aetna, Motorola, Chubb, Varian, FedEx, Emerson Electric and General Electric, travelling under the auspices of the US-Asean Council.

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