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CALL FOR MORE AUSSIE MULTIMEDIA INVOLVEMENT

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MELBOURNE, March 18 (Bernama) -- Australian multimedia and IT industry was today urged to consider investing in Malaysia's Multimedia Super Corridor.

Multimedia Development Corporation executive chairman Tan Sri Dr Othman Yeop Abdullah told the Australia-Malaysia Business Council national business forum that Australian participation in MSC totalled about 3 per cent and more should be done to seize opportunities available in Cyberjaya.

He said an Australian-backed IT firm Biz.Tone.Com was up there with the best and more Australian companies should invest in Malaysia.

Dr Othman paid tribute to Australia for its contribution towards the training of Malaysians as knowledge workers.

He said Malaysian knowledge workers were being sought by advanced countries which was a recognition of Malaysia's international IT standing.

Dr Othman spoke at length about Malaysia's MSC achievements and laws in place to project and encourage foreign participation.

He took the opportunity to savagely attack "Business Week" for what he called its unpardonable report on the MSC and Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's multimedia policy.

"This is disappointing given the stature of Business Week in the eyes of the international business community," he said.

Dr Othman distributed to the 120 forum participants, comprising leading business and corporate leaders, a detailed rebuttal of the Business Week report.

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