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VICE PRESIDENT OF IRAQ TO MAKE FOUR-DAY VISIT TO MALAYSIA

KUALA LUMPUR, May 8 (Bernama) -- Iraqi Vice President Taha Yassin Ramadhan arrives here tomorrow for a four-day official visit to Malaysia.

The Foreign Ministry, in a statement issued here today, said the visit was at the invitation of Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

Taha will be accompanied by Iraqi Industry and Minerals Minister Adnan Abdul Majeed and a delegation of 10 senior officials.

Taha's programme of visit includes a call on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

The Iraqi vice president will hold official discussions with the deputy prime minister on bilateral and international issues of common concern.

Abdullah will also host a dinner in honour of Taha and members of his delegation.

Taha will also call on Dewan Rakyat Speaker Tun Mohamed Zahir Ismail and meet members of the local business community. He will visit the Economic Planning Unit (EPU) in the Prime Minister's Department, the Petronas headquarters, and ASTRO.

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