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CZECH REPUBLIC LEADER VISITS PETRONAS TWIN TOWERS

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 19 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister of the Czech Republic Pavel Mertlik who is in Malaysia for a three-day official visit today toured the 452-metre tall Petronas Twin Towers, the tallest buildings in the world.

On arrival, he was welcomed by KLCC Holdings Bhd Managing Directress, Arlida Ariff and then they went up to the 41st floor of the 88-storey building where he viewed a video presentation on the construction work of the towers.

Mertlik then inspected the 58.2-metre long double deck sky bridge, 170 metres above street level, that links Tower One to Tower Two but his view of KL City was shrouded by thick mist.

He then went up to the 83rd floor and later attended a reception at the Club House on the 42nd floor.

The Deputy Prime Minister arrived here earlier today at the head of a 12-member delegation which includes Deputy Finance Minister Ladislav Zelinka.

He was received at the KL International Airport in Sepang by Deputy Foreign Minister Datuk Dr Leo Michael Toyad.

The Czech leader will meet Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi at the Prime Minister's Department in Putrajaya tomorrow.

Mertlik who is also his country's Finance Minister will also visit Bank Negara, the national Proton car plant in Shah Alam and the Multimedia Development Corporation office in Cyberjaya.

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