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NTT MSC TO INVEST ANOTHER RM30 MLN IN MSC

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 12 (Bernama) -- NTT MSC Sdn Bhd, the pioneer operator in Cyberjaya, would invest RM30 million under an expansion programme to make the company a leader in providing e-infrastructure solutions.

A wholly-owned subsidiary of global telecommunications player NTT Corporation of Japan, NTT MSC said the expansion would be for its data housing and internet-related services.

Cyberjaya is an intelligent city within the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC) area -- a 750 sq km, south of Kuala Lumpur dedicated as a hub for the development of multimedia products and services.

In a statement today, NTT MSC said the planned expansion involved the construction of a three-storey data centre with a built-up area of 20,000 sq ft, thus bringing the Japanese telecommunications giant's investment in the MSC to RM80 million.

The new centre, scheduled for completion by June 2001, would also be equipped with the latest technology to provide second generation data centre services.

The company's existing RM50 million double-storey office complex-cum research and development facility sited on a six hectare piece of land in Cyberjaya was officially opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in July 1997.

The president and chief executive officer of NTT MSC, Akio Hotta, said in the statement that the expansion programme was in line with NTT Communications' global strategy to enhance its data housing centres worldwide.

The new centre would complement NTT Communications' own Internet infrastructure under the brand "Arcnet" which offers high capacity backbone connectivity to Japan, Singapore, the United States and other Asian countries.

It would serve as a virtual platform to co-locate servers and a multi-lingual portal with on-line services such as e-payment, e-commerce, e-messaging and video streaming.

"The enhanced technology of this data centre offers guaranteed bandwidth, managed security, traffic analysis, load balancing and traffic prioritisation, as well as the perfect environment for housing mission critical servers," said Hotta.

Once operational, NTT MSC's new data centre would support the needs of various customers, including multinational corporations, e-commerce providers, Malaysian corporations and small and medium scale enterprises.

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