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Saudi Minister arrives for meeting

SEPANG, Thurs. - Saudi Arabian Haj Minister Dr Iyad Ameen Madani, leading a delegation of 100 officials, arrived in Malaysia today to attend the First Conference on Haj Guidance.

The conference, which is aimed at guiding pilgrims from all over the world on the haj in Mecca, will be opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Saturday.

The delegation was given a traditional Malay welcome on arrival at the KL International Airport, with Dr Iyad met by Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Paduka Dr Abdul Hamid Othman.

Tomorrow the two Ministers will participate in the inauguration of the Haj-related exhibition and the opening of the media centre for the conference at the Palace of the Golden Horses Hotel near here.

Dr Iyad is also scheduled to call on Dr Mahathir at Putrajaya tomorrow.
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