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SLOVAK FOREIGN MINISTER ARRIVING ON MONDAY

KUALA LUMPUR, March 10 (Bernama) -- The Foreign Minister of the Republic of Slovakia Eduard Kukan will arrive here on Monday for a two-day official visit to strengthen bilateral relations between his country and Malaysia.

This is Kukan's first visit to Malaysia as part of his goodwill and familiarisation tour of Asia, the Foreign Ministry said today.

He would be accompanied by senior officials of his country's Foreign Ministry and Slovakia's Ambassador to Malaysia who is resident in Jakarta. He will hold talks on bilateral and international issues with Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar.

Kukan will also call on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at Putrajaya , Defence Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak and Dewan Rakyat Speaker Tun Mohamed Zahir Ismail.

He will visit the Menara Kuala Lumpur and the Petronas Twin Towers, the world's tallest buildings.

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