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Morocco-Visit

MOROCCAN PM TO VISIT M'SIA FROM MONDAY

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 10 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Abderrahman Yousoufi of Morocco will make a four-day visit to Malaysia beginning Monday.

According to a Wisma Putra statement today, he will be accompanied by his wife, Helene, and a 36-member delegation.

They include the transport and merchant marine minister, secretary of state in charge of post, telecommunications and information technology, secretary of state in charge of foreign trade, senior officials of various government agencies and prominent Moroccan businessmen.

The statement said Abderrahman was scheduled to meet his Malaysian counterpart Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to discuss ways of enhancing bilateral relations and exchange views on international political and economic developments.

The Moroccan head of government and his spouse will also have an audience with the Deputy Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Mizan Zainal Abidin of Terengganu and Permaisuri Nur Zahirah.

A memorandum of understanding between the Multimedia Development Corporation and the Moroccan Information TechnoPark Company is expected to be signed during the visit.

A meeting with the National Chamber of Commerce and Industry has also been arranged to enable businessmen from both countries to discuss areas of potential trade and investments in both Malaysia and Morocco.

Abderrahman and his delegation will be visiting Cyberjaya and the Petronas Twin Towers, the tallest buildings in the world.

Wisma Putra said there were ample opportunities to increase trade between the two countries given the market potentials in Morocco.

As of August this year, Malaysia's total trade with Morocco registered RM51 million with exports amounting to RM43.8 million and imports valued at RM7.2 million.

Malaysia's exports to Morocco are electronic items, household products as well as rubber and chemical products, while its main imports from the North African country are textile, fabric materials and food products.

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