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SINGAPORE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ARRIVES FOR FOUR-DAY VISIT

SEPANG, March 11 (Bernama) -- Singapore Deputy Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong arrived here today for a four-day visit.

He was met on arrival at the KL International Airport (KLIA) by Deputy Foreign Minister Datuk Dr Leo Michael Toyad.

Lee is accompanied by Members of Parliament Zainudin Nordin, Cedric Foo and Lim Hwee Hua.

While here, Lee will meet Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar and Defence Minister Datuk Seri Mohamed Najib Razak.

Lee will also visit Pahang and meet Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Adnan Yaakob.

According to Wisma Putra, various views on enhancing bilateral relations as well as the political-economic development in the region will be discussed during the meetings.

Lee's visit is to reciprocate the previous visit by Dr Mahathir to Singapore in 2001 and is seen in the context of consolidating and establishing rapport between leaders of both countries.

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