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PUTIN TO ADDRESS M'SIA-RUSSIA BUSINESS FORUM IN KL NEXT WEEK

KUALA LUMPUR, July 1 (Bernama) -- Russian President Vladimir Putin, who will make an official visit to Malaysia next week, will deliver a special address at the Malaysia-Russia Business Forum on July 8.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will also attend the forum, held in conjunction with the launching of the Malaysia-Russia Business Council.

After the special address, Putin and Dr Mahathir are expected to have a dialogue session with the participants.

The forum is being jointly organised by the Asian Strategy & Leadership Institute (ASLI), the Russian-ASEAN Cooperation Fund (RACF) and the Russian Embassy in Kuala Lumpur.

The objective of the forum is to strengthen bilateral business and economic cooperation between Malaysia and Russia, built on the successful Malaysia-Russia Business Forum in Moscow during Dr Mahathir's visit to Russia last year.

The forum will also identify specific business and investment opportunities for Malaysian and Russian businessmen apart from promoting smart partnerships between the business communities of both countries.

The Malaysia-Russia Business Forum will also provide the setting for the ceremonial launching of the Malaysia-Russia Business Council by Putin.

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