

# PM arrives for 2-day visit in Vietnam

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PRIME Minister (PM) Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob arrived in Hanoi, Vietnam yesterday for a two-day official visit.

The PM's maiden official visit to Vietnam was at the invitation of his Vietnamese counterpart, Pham Minh Chinh.

Ismail Sabri flew in from Kuala Lumpur (KL) and arrived at the Hanoi International Airport at 1.45pm (local time). He was greeted upon arrival by the Minister-Chairman of the Government Office Tran Van Son and government officials.

The PM was also received by Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Saifuddin Abdullah, and senior government officials.

Ismail Sabri was accorded an official welcoming ceremony at the international airport.

Ismail Sabri is scheduled to hold engagement sessions with several Vietnamese companies that have interests and intend to expand their businesses in Malaysia.

After that, he is scheduled to meet members of the Malaysian Family in Hanoi.

On the second day, Ismail Sabri



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**Ismail Sabri (seventh from left) is received by Tran (tenth from left) at the Hanoi International Airport. Also seen is Saifuddin (ninth from left)**

will be accorded an official welcome at the Presidential Palace.

The two leaders will also exchange views on regional and international issues of mutual interest as well as witness the exchange of documents, including a memorandum of understanding on legal cooperation activities as well as the recruitment, employ-

ment and repatriation of workers.

The Institute of Diplomacy and Foreign Relations of Malaysia and the Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam will also exchange a Letter of Intent while *Bernama* and *Vietnam News Agency* will exchange documents.

The PM is also scheduled to hold separate meetings with

President of Vietnam Nguyen Xuan Phuc, secretary-general of the Communist Party of Vietnam Nguyen Phu Trong and Chairman of the National Assembly Vuong Dinh Hue.

Ismail Sabri will leave for KL this Tuesday morning after holding a press conference with the Malaysian media. — *Bernama*