

Anwar to take part in talks with Fortune 500 firms

NEW YORK: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim will continue the government's efforts to woo global investors by meeting captains of industry and capital market players on his second day here.

Anwar, who is also finance minister, was scheduled to participate in a roundtable discussion with Fortune 500 companies at the Harvard Club of New York City yesterday. This event was organised by the Investment, Trade and Industry Ministry and the Malaysian Investment Develop-

ment Authority.

Anwar was also scheduled to speak at the Invest Malaysia New York event organised by Bursa Malaysia.

During the two high-profile events, he is expected to hold meetings with entrepreneurs and potential new investors from the United States.

For the first half of the year, Malaysia attracted RM132.6 billion worth of approved investments in the services, manufacturing and primary sectors, involving 2,651 projects that are

expected to create 51,853 jobs.

In the afternoon, Anwar was slated to attend a discussion session with members of the Council on Foreign Relations, an independent nonpartisan think tank and publisher that promotes an understanding of international relations and foreign policies.

Anwar, who is here to attend the 78th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, will also meet Thai Prime Minister Srettha Thavisin and Iraq Prime Minister Mohammed Shia' Al Sudani. **Bernama**