

During his visit, the minister will be accompanied by a delegation of Canadian business people.

In Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Mr. Crosbie is scheduled to meet Malaysian Trade Minister Rafidah Aziz and other members of the cabinet, as well as Malaysian business people. He will also participate in the inauguration of a major development program called Enterprise Malaysia-Canada. The program is sponsored by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and is designed to help Malaysia improve its industrial base using Canadian technology.

In Bangkok, Thailand, the minister will open Hi-Tech Canada '91, a Canadian showcase of sophisticated Canadian products highlighting the energy, especially electricity generation and transmission, environment and communications sectors. The minister will meet Thai Commerce Minister Amaret Sila-On and other members of the cabinet, as well as Thai business people.

In Jakarta, Indonesia, Mr. Crosbie is scheduled to meet senior cabinet ministers including his international trade counterpart, Dr. Arifin M. Siregar. He will also meet members of the Canadian and Indonesian business community.

Bilateral trade with Vietnam is currently limited, but Mr. Crosbie said that there has been "a burgeoning" of interest by Canadian business in Vietnam since 1989 as a result of ongoing economic reforms, in particular the Law on Foreign Investment. Leading the way have been Alberta oil and gas companies (Sceptre Resources, International Petroleum and Petro-Canada), who have recently signed exploration and production-sharing agreements.

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