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**WORKING VISIT OF THE STATE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF JAPAN,
HIS EXCELLENCY SHUNSUKE TAKEI TO MALAYSIA
14-15 MARCH 2023**

The Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, YB Datuk Mohamad Alamin will host his counterpart from Japan, His Excellency Shunsuke Takei in conjunction with the latter's working visit to Malaysia on 14-15 March 2023.

Both Deputy Foreign Ministers are scheduled to hold a bilateral meeting to strengthen the long-standing and multi-faceted ties between Malaysia and Japan. YB Datuk Mohamad Alamin and His Excellency Takei will be discussing ways to further expand various areas of cooperation including education, economic, culture, people-to-people contact as well as the 50th Anniversary of ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation. The two Deputy Foreign Ministers will also exchange views on various regional and international issues of common interest.

The visit of the State Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan to Malaysia marks the first high-level official visit from Japan to Malaysia since the formation of the new Malaysian Government in December 2022. The visit also provides renewed momentum to uncover untapped opportunities for the mutual advantage of both Malaysia and Japan.

In 2022, Japan was Malaysia's 4th largest trading partner with trade valued at RM181.51 billion (USD41.21 billion). As of June 2022, Japan is Malaysia's 3rd largest foreign investor in the manufacturing sector for implemented projects valued at RM94.5 billion (USD28.4 billion).

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