



VISIT BY HIGH COMMISSION

KUALA LUMPUR (12 NOVEMBER 2020): A delegation from the High Commission of the Republic of Singapore paid a courtesy call on MTC CEO Mr Muhtar Suhaili at MTC's Headquarters in Cheras, here, today.

The delegation, comprising First Secretary Mr Navjote Singh Sachdev and First Secretary (Political) Mr Warran Kalasegaran, congratulated Mr Muhtar on his recent appointment as MTC CEO. Also present at the meeting were MTC Deputy CEO Mr Wong Kah Cane and MTC COO Mr Roger Chin.

The senior-level diplomatic staff also discussed ways of enhancing bilateral trade between the two countries with regard to timber and timber-based products. Singaporean timber traders have a long history with Malaysia as a source country.

Singapore is Malaysia's fifth largest market for Malaysian timber products with a total import of USD265.5 million in 2019.

To date Malaysia has been the main exporter of wooden furniture (USD111.8 million) to Singapore above China and Italy. Other than wooden furniture, Singapore also

imported mainly sawntimber, BJC and plywood from Malaysia worth USD24.7 million, USD20.5 million and USD10.4 million, respectively, in 2019.

Mr Muhtar also took the visitors on a guided tour of MTC's gallery which is located within the Council's premises here.

