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Henderson Leads China Delegation

Asian Relations and Trade Minister Paul Henderson will lead a week-long Territory delegation to China.

The delegation leaves tomorrow

The delegation is made up of representatives from the Territory's Chinese community, local businesses, people, Charles Darwin University (International Office), Darwin Ports Corporation and other agencies.

The delegation will visit a number of Chinese centres including Hong Kong, Shanghai, Meizhou and Hefei.

The aims of the mission are to:

- Promote Territory skilled and business migration opportunities;
- Develop and promote education and other service sector opportunities;
- Promote trade and investment opportunities between the Territory and China;
- Strengthen the Territory’s relationship with the Province of Anhui;
- Develop cultural links and community relations in the Meizhou/Northern Guandong Province region and with the Territory Chinese community.

“The interest and co-operation we have received from the Chinese authorities and business circles and the local Chinese community augers really well for a successful mission,” Mr Henderson said.

The delegation leaves from Darwin on Sunday morning and returns the following Sunday.

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