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- U.S. investments in Malaysia increased to $5.9 billion last year, making the United States the country's largest source of foreign direct investment.

- The United States is deeply committed to supporting Malaysia’s next generation of social, political, and economic leaders. The U.S. Fulbright English Teaching Assistant program in Malaysia is among the largest in the world, helping improve the English language skills of thousands of Malaysian secondary school students.

- Strong and growing bilateral security cooperation supports Malaysia’s national defense and regional priorities. The United States participates in 11 bilateral and five multilateral exercises with Malaysia, supporting counter-terrorism efforts and maritime domain awareness.
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HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT
• The Asia School of Business (ASB) in Kuala Lumpur is a recognized global leader in academic innovation. MIT Sloan and ASB faculty teach in the program which was established in 2015, and students take classes in both Kuala Lumpur and in Boston.
• The Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) in Malaysia includes 8,000 members and bootcamps at eight university campuses that have engaged more than 1,000 young Malaysians.
• U.S. Embassy Kuala Lumpur manages roughly 150 exchange participants of YSEALI, SEAYLP, Fulbright, YES, IVLP, and others annually. Since 2012, Fulbright English Teaching Assistants have engaged more than 292,000 middle school students throughout the country.

SECURITY COOPERATION
• The U.S. is providing $180 million in security assistance funds to help build Malaysian capability for maritime domain awareness in its strategic waterways.
• Nearly 300 Malaysians attend approximately 50 military courses in the U.S. every year; and there are 9 Malaysians currently attending U.S. Service Academies (with 30 total graduates).

ECONOMIC COOPERATION
• Throughout Malaysia, U.S. companies are not only the largest employers in the region, but also leading investors in job training, community development, and family health. In Sabah, Coca-Cola delivers fresh water to 50 villages and some 20,000 people through its “clean water for communities” program.
• The largest U.S. investments are in the oil and gas sector, manufacturing, and financial services. Firms with significant investment in Malaysia’s oil and gas and petrochemical sectors include ExxonMobil, Caltex, ConocoPhillips, Hess Oil, Halliburton, Dow Chemical and Eastman Chemicals.
• Starbucks operates two of the U.S. company’s four global ‘signing’ stores in Malaysia - one in Penang and one in Kuala Lumpur. The stores employ staff fluent in Malaysian sign language and celebrate the contributions of Deaf partners and raise awareness of people with disabilities in the workplace.

HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT
• The U.S. government is providing $2.1 million total assistance in response to COVID-19, including health assistance that will fund the prevention and control of infections in health facilities, community engagement, disease-surveillance and contact-tracing systems, and bolster risk-communications.
• The U.S. Navy and Duke University are working with Sibu and Kapit hospitals in Sarawak to improve early diagnosis of leptospirosis.
• A new $1.2 million U.S. government grant is boosting local capacity to deter wildlife trafficking and support eco-tourism in Malaysia.

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