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## RUBIO TO VISIT ASIA FOR FIRST TIME FOR ASEAN MEETINGS

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*US Secretary of State Marco Rubio is traveling to Malaysia this week for a series of meetings of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations. It'll be his first trip to Asia since he assumed the post.*

The US State Department says Rubio will hold talks with the foreign ministers from ASEAN and other countries during his 4-day stay in the capital Kuala Lumpur starting Tuesday.

It says Rubio will stress America's commitment to the Indo-Pacific region and confirm that it will strengthen cooperation with regional countries.

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