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Maryland Gov. William Donald Schaefer plans to lead a trade delegation to Japan and Singapore June 7 to 19, his ninth foreign trip since taking office in 1987.

The journey, Schaefer's second to Japan, also will commemorate the 10th anniversary of Maryland's sister state relationship with Japan's Kanagawa Prefecture. The event will be noted there with publication in Japanese of a guide to doing business in Maryland, and with a display of art by Maryland students. In Maryland, the Walters Art Gallery in Baltimore is planning an exhibition of ancient Japanese scrolls to mark the event.

Joining Schaefer on the trip will be seven state officials and private business people, one of the smallest contingents to travel with the governor overseas.

 $According \ to \ Schaefer's \ office, 91 \ Japanese \ firms \ have \ invested \ about \$ \ 195 \ million \ in \ Maryland \ affiliates.$