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Governor Musgrove Postpones Trade Mission To Japan

Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has postponed his trade mission to Japan, scheduled for September 14-21, 2001, due to security concerns after Tuesday's terrorist attacks in New York and Washington. Musgrove also cited the need to stay in close contact with state and federal officials as a reason for remaining in Mississippi.

"My overriding concern right now is for the safety and security of America and the people of Mississippi," Musgrove said. "At this time, the best place for me to be is here in the state."

Plans are underway to reschedule the economic development trip to Japan for later in the year.

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