



## MESSAGE OF SOLIDARITY BY THE HONOURABLE TUN DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMAD PRIME MINISTER OF MALAYSIA ON THE OCCASION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, 29 NOVEMBER 2018

I wish to take this opportunity on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People to reiterate Malaysia's unwavering support to the Palestinian cause.

Israel's cruelties and unending terror and aggression inflicted upon the Palestinians have always been a matter of grave concern to us and we will continue to condemn and demand for an end to these inhuman acts bordering on genocide.

We denounce all these acts of terrorism and aggression by the Israeli regime towards our Palestinian brothers and sisters for the past 70 years. Indeed, Malaysia has continuously condemned all acts of cruelty inflicted by the Israeli regime upon the Palestinians.

In my speech at the General Debate of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Session of the United Nations General Assembly in September, I reminded them their frustration and anger over the cruelties perpetrated against them that have pushed the Palestinians to commit acts of desperation.

I also emphasised the need to combat all forms of terrorism, including state terrorism committed against the Palestinians.

I assure all Palestinians that Malaysia will always support and contribute in whatever means possible within its capacity to address the issue.

We will continue to urge the international community to continue pursuing the creation of a sovereign State of Palestine as underlined by the United Nations based on the 1967 pre-war borders, with East Jerusalem as the capital of Palestine

Malaysia firmly upholds the belief that there must be a sovereign state of Palestine and the world needs to see Palestinians returning to their homeland.

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