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KUALA LUMPUR, OCT. 4 (BERNAMA) ⁹ DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMAD TODAY CRITICISED THE ATTITUDE OF AN ASIAN COUNTRY WHICH STILL DID NOT RECOGNISE THE COALITION GOVERNMENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID HE DID NOT UNDERSTAND HOW A NATION COULD STILL SUPPORT THE VIETNAMESE ACTION WHEN IT FORCEFULLY SET UP A GOVERNMENT IN ITS NEIGHBOURING COUNTRY.

+THIS IS ONE THING THAT CANNOT BE ACCEPTED,+ HE TOLD REPORTERS ON ARRIVAL FROM LONDON AFTER ATTENDING THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING.

ALTHOUGH THE PRIME MINISTER DID NOT NAME THE COUNTRY, IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT HE WAS REFERRING TO INDIA WHICH STILL RECOGNISED THAT HANOI BACKED HENG SAMRIN REGIME.--MORE 2200/HM

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IN NEW YORK, HE MET PRINCE NORODOM SIHANOUK, ENCIK KHIEU SAMPHAN AND ENCIK SON SANN.

HE SAID THE KAMPUCHEAN COALITION GOVERNMENT RECEIVED GOOD SUPPORT FROM UN MEMBER COUNTRIES EXCEPT VIETNAM AND THE EAST EUROPEANS.

ON ISRAELI AGGRESSION, HE SAID THE PROBLEM WAS LIKELY TO REMAIN SO LONG AS "THERE EXISTED PARTICULAR POLICIES WHICH MADE ISRAEL ARROGANT AND ACTED AS A BULLY."

"THE COUNTRY WHICH SUPPLIED WEAPONS TO ISRAEL FOR ITS SECURITY OUGHT ALSO TO ENSURE THE SECURITY OF NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES," HE SAID.

"WHAT I REGRET AND DO NOT UNDERSTAND IS THE VIEW THAT IT IS PROPER FOR DEMOCRATIC NATIONS LIKE ISRAEL TO KILL, BUT REGARDS ALL ACTS, EVEN GOOD ONES, BY NON-DEMOCRATIC NATIONS, AS BAD," HE SAID. -- MORE 2235/SZ