

# PM: M'sia not satisfied with OIC members

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KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. — Malaysia has expressed her dissatisfaction with member-nations of the Organisation of Islamic Conference for not finding solutions to the conflicts that exist among themselves.

"We fully support the stand taken by the Muslim nations on various issues but we are not satisfied with the conflict between the Muslim countries," Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad told reporters at Subang Airport on his arrival from New Delhi today.

He was accompanied by Foreign Minister Datuk

Rais Yatim who also attended the summit.

Dr Mahathir said he was unable to attend the closing ceremony of the summit in Kuwait as he had to be in New Delhi for a four-day visit to India.

Dr Mahathir was in Kuwait from Jan 26 for the three-day OIC summit which he was attending for the second time.

He considered the summit a success although, he said, no progress was made with regard to the Iran-Iraq war.

"The important thing was it provided a forum for heads of state and govern-

ment to meet and exchange differing views and on how to overcome the problems."

He said the summit supported Malaysia's stand on two issues:

● DRUGS — all member nations agreed to take a serious view of the problem and act against it, including adopting some of the measures adopted by Malaysia.

● ANTARCTICA — it showed that Antarctica was not only an issue with Malaysia but also with other nations of the world.

Dr Mahathir said Pakistani president Zia Ul-Haq, whom he met in Kuwait, asked him to convey to Indi-

an Premier Rajiv Gandhi that Pakistan harboured no ill-will against India.

The Prime Minister said he conveyed the message to Mr Gandhi, with whom he held several official and unofficial meetings where they discussed:

● BILATERAL relations and problems pertaining to India, and

● THE Solidarity Fund for Southern Africa.

He said India has agreed to contribute US\$400 million (about \$1 billion) towards setting up the fund. She has also offered her economic experts to help out with the fund.

"I will discuss with the Cabinet as to what aid Malaysia can offer to the fund," he said. The fund is chaired by Mr Gandhi.

Dr Mahathir said his India trip was also a success. He said there was presently a trade imbalance with India which must be corrected.

Malaysia's exports of palm oil were far greater than her imports of Indian products, he said.

"It is important for us to correct this imbalance and either import more goods or try to enter joint-ventures," he said.

He said he did not really discuss the export of the Proton Saga although some mention was made of it because India had her own car project.

Only diplomats are allowed to buy foreign-manufactured cars.

However, he said, there was a possibility for a joint-venture in the manufacture of car components, which India exports to the United States.

The Prime Minister was met on arrival by his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah and their children Mazhar and Maizura.