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KUALA LUMPUR, AUG 30⁹⁰ (BERNAMA) -- MALAYSIA HAS AGREED TO ASSIST BANGLADESH IN BRINGING OUT ITS NATIONALS, NUMBERING ABOUT 100,000, FROM THE GULF.

PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID HE AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO ASSIST BANGLADESH ~~AFTER PRESIDENT HUSSEIN MOHAMED~~ ERSHAD MADE THE REQUEST TO HIM.

HE TOLD GOVERNMENT-OWNED RADIO AND TELEVISION STATION, 'RTM TODAY THAT HE HAD ASKED MALAYSIA AIRLINES (MAS) TO INITIATE EFFORT TO BRING OUT BANGLADESH NATIONALS WHO ARE STRANDED EITHER IN AMMAN, JORDAN OR TURKEY.

THE MAS IS WORKING OUT THE DETAILS WITH BIMAN, THE BANGLADESH AIRLINE.

THE STATION ALSO QUOTED MAS MANAGING DIRECTOR TAN SRI ABDUL AZIZ ABDUL RAHMAN AS SAYING THAT THE AIRLINE HAD CONTACTED WORLD AIRWAYS8 TO CHARTER SUITABLE AIRCRAFT FOR THE PURPOSE.

THE DEAL IS EXPECTED TO BE FINALISED NEXT WEEK.-- MORE.

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MEANWHILE, MALAYSIA WELCOMED UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR'S MOVE TO HOLD DISCUSSION WITH IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER ENCIK TARIQ AZIZ IN AMMAN, JORDAN TODAY.

FOREIGN MINISTER DATUK HAJI ABU HASSAN OMAR SAID IN A STATEMENT THAT MALAYSIA HAD FREQUENTLY STRESSED THE NEED FOR THE WORLD TO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN SEARCHING FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO INTERNATIONAL CRISIS INCLUDING THAT IN THE GULF.

HE DESCRIBED THE MOVE BY UN SECRETARY-GENERAL AS MOST APPROPRIATE IN REDUCING TENSION IN THE GULF AND IN IMPLEMENTING SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE CRISIS.

+WE APPEAL TO ALL THOSE INVOLVED TO EXTEND THEIR COOPERATION TO HIM TO ENSURE SUCCESS OF HIS MISSION,+ HE SAID. -- BERNAMA.

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