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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 14 (Bernama) -- Umno Youth has described a statement by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Malaysia-Singapore relations as unveiling a new era in bilateral ties.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir had said he wished to see a strengthening of the bilateral relations regardless of which country benefited more as a result.

Umno Youth International Affairs Bureau secretary Haji Mustapha Yaakub said the statement reflected the sincerity of the prime minister who wanted relations between Malaysia and Singapore to continue to be strong and be the +core+ of Asean strength.

In welcoming the statement, the movement reminded Singapore leaders not to take the statement lightly. It said the republic should be sensitive to the feelings of Malaysia.

+The movement also hopes that bilateral relations at youth level would be further enhanced to produce second echelon leaders aware of the historical background of both countries in the interests of continuing the close relations,+ he said in a statement.

He said past mistakes should not be repeated, especially those related to the sovereignty of Malaysia and security of the Asean region. -- Bernam

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