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KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 28 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today he hoped that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein would accept all United Nations' resolutions and the terms of the allied forces to end the Gulf war.

The Prime Minister said he was sad that President Saddam seemed to be accepting the resolutions and the terms one by one.

+If he (President Saddam) had accepted them at the outset, no one would have died,+ he told reporters after launching the Malaysian Business Council here.

As a result of his action, many Iraqi people and soldiers were suffering while he himself was safe,+ Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said.

He said he hoped that President Saddam would always consider the safety of the Iraqi people and soldiers.

Meanwhile, news agencies reported that United States President George Bush's order suspending allied combat operations took effect at 0500 GMT today (1 pm Malaysian time). -- Bernama

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