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M'SIA AND PERU SHARE MANY COMMON GOALS, SAYS NEW AMBASSADOR

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 18 (Bernama) -- Malaysia and Peru share many common goals and aspirations in bringing development and prosperity to their peoples, said Malaysian Ambassador to Peru Encik Ahmad Mokhtar Selat.

He said this commonality of goals, ideals and aspirations have brought the two countries from different continents to cooperate for mutual benefit.

Both countries are committed and driven by a common desire to seek global peace, he said when presenting his credentials to Peru President Alberto Fujimori in Lima. The text of his speech was faxed to Bernama here today.

Ahmad Mokhtar said, "Both countries seek to bring development and prosperity to their peoples. Both countries are active members of the G-15 and are equally committed to the promotion of South-South cooperation."

There had also been positive development in bilateral relations over the past few years be it in the realm of trade, investment or technical cooperation, he added.

He said Malaysia is giving every encouragement to its entrepreneurs to participate in Peru.

Ahmad Mokhtar said his foremost duty is not only to maintain, but to further strengthen the ties and friendship between the two countries.

He said there are many areas of cooperation that Malaysia and Peru could have in future.

"I'm confident with the existing cooperation and friendship of the government and people of Peru the task ahead of me would be made easier."

Alberto Fujimori, in his speech, said since his visit to Kuala Lumpur in 1991, the relationship between Peru and Malaysia had developed significantly.

He said the proof was in the visit by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to Peru last year when he led an important official and private delegation. -- BERNAMA

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