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PM SAYS FUJIMORI WELL AWARE OF MALAYSIAN FEELINGS

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 19 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today President Alberto Fujimori is aware of Malaysia's feelings in the current hostage drama in Lima and he need not "disturb" the Peruvian leader unnecessarily.

The Prime Minister said he had not spoken to Fujimori by telephone but had sent a letter to the Peruvian president yesterday.

"I am quite sure that he (Fujimori) is well aware of our feelings. I have written a message to him because I don't want to disturb him unnecessarily," he said at a news conference after opening the Infotech '96 information technology conference at Putra World Trade Centre.

Malaysian ambassador in Peru, Ahmad Mokhtar Selat, is among about 200 people still held captive by leftist guerrillas who stormed the Japanese ambassador's residence during a reception yesterday. -- BERNAMA

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