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MALAYSIA EXPLAINS STAND ON KUWAIT-IRAW WAR

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KUWAIT, April 6 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said Malaysia today explained to Kuwait its stand on aggression.

He said Malaysia did not agree with any move by any country to capture another country, in fact Malaysia wanted to see Muslim countries to maintain friendly relations with each other.

"Malaysia wants to see that there is no enmity between the Muslim countries and if there are problems they should be settled through negotiations and they should accept whatever decisions made by the UN (United Nations)," he told Malaysian journalists after attending bilateral talks with Kuwaiti leaders here.

The Prime Minister said he stated Malaysia's stand during the bilateral talks which also discussed the problems faced by Kuwait as a result of the attack by Iraq in 1990.

He said Malaysia expressed its happiness that Kuwait managed to redeem itself after near destruction as a result of the attack.

However, Dr Mahathir explained that while Malaysia realised that the war brought hardship to Kuwait, it could not at the same time blame the people of Iraq which became victims of the war.

"We also explained our stand that we will help the people of Iraq while supporting Kuwait's stand," he added.

He said Malaysia was also looking at ways to help Albania which had sought assistance from Muslim countries to overcome the problems faced by the nation.

The Prime Minister said Malaysia had extended much assistance to Albania which had come out from the communist system of government.

He said what was happening in Albania was caused by people who did not know how to apply the democratic system properly. -- BERNAMA

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