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SINGAPORE OPPOSITION COMES OUT IN SUPPORT OF DR MAHATHIR

SINGAPORE, Nov 17 (Bernama) -- An opposition party, Singapore Malay National Organisation (PKMS) today came out in support of Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad by condemning action by US congressmen as unfounded.

PKMS President Haji Sahid Sahooman said the resolution initiated by the congressmen calling on Dr Mahathir to apologise or resign over his purported anti-Semitic remarks was being extreme.

It was an attempt to undermine the sovereignty of a nation and its leaders who were elected by the people based on democratic principles, he said in a statement issued here.

The PKMS also urged Asean and other countries which uphold democracy and peace to join in the condemnation of the US provocative action towards Asia in general and Malaysia in particular.

Sahid said Asean should be united and adopt spirit of brotherhood in defending the sovereignty of a member country and in condemning US interference in the internal affairs of another country.

He said the PKMS also welcomed Dr Mahathir's meeting with Singapore Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong at the recent Commonwealth conference in Scotland.

The PKMS hoped the meeting would lead to stronger ties between the two countries after the uncalled remarks on Johor by Senior Minister Lee Kuan Yew early this year.

Sahid said the PKMS hoped that another meeting next year could restore atmosphere of mutual benefit and better ties than before.

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