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STOP REPORTING RUBBISH AND LIES, FOREIGN PRESS TOLD

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 26 (Bernama) -- The Malay Journalists Association of Malaysia (PJM) today urged foreign journalists in the country to stop reporting rubbish and lies about Malaysia.

Its president, Yazid Othman said the foreign journalists were blind and dumb over certain issues in particular the dismissal of Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim from the government and Umno.

They tend to believe more in people who opposed the government rather than Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad or the government official statement, he said in a statement issued here.

He said they gave the wrong impression by reporting comments of several individuals as that of the general view of Malaysians.

"Have they forgotten the Professional Code of Conduct, making biased reporting and lying to the international community?" he said.

Yazid said the foreign media had failed to see the truth and did not hear the views of the majority of Malaysians.

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