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UMNO YOUTH CONDEMNS FOREIGN INTERFERENCE

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 13 (Bernama) -- Umno Youth has strongly criticised and condemned foreign interference in the country's internal affairs.

The movement also pledged its undivided support to the leadership of the party and country in efforts to revive and strengthen the economy, its acting chief Datuk Hishammuddin Tun Hussein said.

These resolutions were contained in an emergency motion moved by Umno Youth at the Umno Special General Assembly held here today to amend the party constitution.

Umno Youth also pledged to continue defending the country's sovereignty from enemies both within and outside the country, protecting the sanctity of Islam from being sullied by political interests and upholding religious freedom in a multi-racial society.

Umno Youth also expressed its opposition to any negative efforts like spreading of lies that could undermine party unity and the country's stability.

Hishammuddin lambasted US Vice-President Al Gore for his arrogance in humiliating and belittling Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at a dinner organised in conjunction with the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (Apec) Summit here recently.

"Who was not outraged to see the antics of foreigners meddling in the domestic affairs of our beloved country? Which heart was not hurt by the rudeness of a creature named Al Gore," he said in an emotional tone.

"Which heart was not touched in seeing our Prime Minister contain his feelings in the face of the very hurting statement by this Al Gore creature? Who was not sad to see our leaders weeping in their hearts although they had to treat our guests with dignity and decorum for the sake of protecting the good image of the race and religion?"

"The oppression of Muslims in Palestine is real, the oppression and murder of Muslims in Bosnia is real, oppression and ethnic cleansing in Kosovo is real, the infiltration and bombing of Afghanistan and Sudan is also real and attempts to exploit and colonise the people of this country are also real.

"I openly state here Umno Youth is not for defending Dr Mahathir Mohamad. Umno Youth is also not for supporting Dr Mahathir Mohamad. But Umno Youth is the steel bulwark and wings for upholding the institution of Umno leadership," he said.

"As the Umno president, head of the institution of party leadership, symbol of the Malay struggle, Dr Mahathir Mohamad will be defended by us till the last drop of our blood," he said.

The movement also condemned international currency speculator George Soros for his action in destroying Malaysia's economic prosperity through economic colonisation.

If past Umno leaders were willing to defend the sovereignty and integrity of the country with their blood, sweat and tears, Umno Youth is also prepared to sacrifice for the religion, race and country in any way.

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