

Fighting terrorism: One standard, one action

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SERI KEMBANGAN, Mon. - There must be one standard in the fight against terrorism, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Mahathir Mohamad said today.

“Some people have double standards. If it is an act of terror by their friends then it is excusable, if it is an act by someone they don’t care for or don’t like, then that is not excused.

“There must be only one stan-

dard and one action taken by the whole world,” Dr Mahathir told a Press conference after speaking at the Special Session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers on Terrorism.

Asked whether the United States’ method of combating terrorism was right or not, he said: “The US is doing right in terms of getting the world to act against terrorists. The whole world supports (this).”

“Unfortunately the US Government has supported the actions of the Israeli Government (against Palestine) which also amounts to terrorism and it is difficult for the world to unite against terrorists when there is ambiguity or double standards. We must have only one standard.”

Hc stressed the need for an international conference on terrorism that included non-Muslim nations.