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MALAYSIA A SAFE COUNTRY TO VISIT, SAYS KHALIL

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 15 (Bernama) -- Information Minister Tan Sri Khalil Yaakob said today Malaysia is one of the safest countries to visit, having taken all the best preventive measures to avoid any form of terrorist acts in the country.

"We have initiated all the best preventive measures in order to avoid any kind of terrorist incidents.

"We are very sure that through contact and networking available to the police, the possibility of those incidents here is rather remote," he told a 12-member delegation of the Japan National Press Club, here.

He was asked about Malaysia's standpoint regarding the bomb attacks in Indonesia's resort island of Bali and also in the Philippines.

Khalil recalled the al-Maunah incident two years ago when the group members stole weapons from the army but quick action by the police enabled the capture of the criminals who have since been tried and convicted in court.

"We have initiated preventive measures to avoid a recurrence of this kind of incident," he said.

The delegation, which arrived here on Wednesday for a three-day visit, called on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday.

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