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MUSLIM UNITY WILL BENEFIT ALL MANKIND, SAYS SOMALIAN PRESIDENT

PUTRAJAYA, Oct 17 (Bernama) -- Muslim unity will benefit all mankind and should not be seen as a threat to other religions, Somalian President Dr Abdikasim Salad Hassan said today.

"Islam is for brotherhood for all mankind, against terrorism and encourage dialogue between religions," he told reporters.

He said because of that Muslims should unite.

"That is why we came to this conference as this unity is also for the benefit of other religions be it Christianity, Jews and other beliefs," he said.

Earlier, he held bilateral talks with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on the sidelines of the 10th Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) Summit.

He also said the equation of Islam with terrorism should be rejected by all quarters.

"Terrorists can be Muslims, Jews and we have seen that it can be Christians," he said.

He said terrorists are everywhere not because of religion.

He also expressed his gratitude to Dr Mahathir and the people of Malaysia for the perfect organisation of the summit.

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