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MYC WANTS ISRAELI TERRORISM TO BE IN NAM AGENDA

KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 19 (Bernama) -- The Malaysian Youth Council (MYC) wants the issue of Israel's terrorism in Palestine to be the main item in the agenda of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) summit here from Feb 20 to 25.

MYC Secretary-General Norizan Sharif said Malaysia should provide leadership in this issue at the summit so that the war crimes and use of heavy weapons of destruction by Israel could be stopped.

He said as the second largest gathering of world leaders after the United Nations General Assembly, NAM should be an effective platform to find an internationally agreed upon solution to the Palestinian question.

"If NAM fails to find a solution to this issue, the MYC feels there can be no other international platform with integrity that can help ensure peace and justice for the Palestinians," Norizan said in a statement.

He said the MYC noticed some kind of conspiracy among the international media which focused on the possibility of a US attack on Iraq and sidelined the issue of Palestine.

Norizan said while the issue was being sidelined by the world press, Israel continued with its oppression of the Palestinian people without any help from the international community.

The MYC was confident that Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad as a just and firm leader with integrity could convince NAM leaders of jointly seeking a solution and ending Israeli oppression on Palestinian land.

"Between September 2000 and this month, a total of 2,151 Palestinians had been killed and more than 41,000 had been seriously injured," he said.

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