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NAM: UKRAINE MAY JOIN THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 26 (Bernama) -- Ukraine, an observer country of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), does not rule out the possibility of joining the now 116-member movement in future.

Its Deputy Secretary of State of Foreign Affairs, Volodymyr Yelchenko, said Ukraine had been observing NAM's activities with keen interest for the past four years.

"Ukraine is also very active in the United Nations where we learn a lot about the activities of NAM and our positions coincide on almost every issue in international affairs," he said.

His country had been considering the possibility of joining NAM for quite some time, he told Bernama after the 13th NAM summit which ended here yesterday.

Yelchenko said the movement was in the best hands under the chairmanship of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

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