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Substance of speech ignored

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PRIME Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's OIC Summit address drew flak from the guardians of Western interests - the wire agencies, which lit the fire the Western governments then fanned.

What exactly was the main opposition? Just two little lines from 59 paragraphs and I quote: "But today the Jews rule the world by proxy. They get others to fight and die for them."

What any reasonable person cannot understand is why ignore the substance of 59 paragraphs and pick on the phantoms of two lines?

What actually is the invisible power behind those two lines that the Western media and the Western governments have to join in an unholy alliance to attack the speaker?

They picked out the needle from the hay stack and used it to prick the preacher.

Why use a sledgehammer to squash a mosquito, especially when Muslim countries are among the least developed and are regressing in the development scale?

Perhaps this is the first time anyone has made a serious attempt to unite the Muslims, all 57 OIC countries encompassing 1.3 billion people scattered across the globe, into a potentially powerful political, economic and cultural force.

And this time the unity is not empty rhetoric but one backed by a clear and feasible action plan.

It is the first time that anyone has asked Muslim governments to think, do a SWOT analysis, and act rationally to improve themselves against a common enemy.

It is also the first time that OIC countries have agreed to do some important things collectively in the common interest: to be more action-oriented and less rhetorical and to trade more with each other using a common gold-based currency.

Embedded in their attacks on Dr Mahathir is surely a stark fear that united, Muslim countries will be a potent economic and political force.

The West sees an urgent need to destroy the seed, so that it cannot become a giant tree. If it did, it will displace the binding force of Western dominance over the bodies, minds, culture and resources of the Muslims.

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