

Malaysia seeks OIC meeting on terror attacks
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Malaysia has asked the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to convene an emergency meeting of foreign ministers to discuss terror attacks in Islamic countries.

Foreign Minister Anifah Aman said the ministry had conveyed the request to the OIC but had yet to receive any confirmation on the proposed meeting.

"I am not sure when the OIC secretary-general (Iyad Ameen Madani) will call the meeting. I have asked for it to be convened as soon as possible," Anifah told reporters when asked to comment on the recent terror attacks in Iraq, Bangladesh and Saudi Arabia.

At least 215 people were killed and 177 others injured in a suicide truck bomb attack in Baghdad on July 3 while in Bangladesh, at least 20 hostages, 18 of them foreigners, were killed in an attack on a Dhaka restaurant on July 1.

Four security officers were killed in one of three suicide attacks in Saudi Arabia on Monday.

Anifah, who was approached at the Aidilfitri open house of Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak and cabinet ministers at Seri Perdana in Putrajaya, said the 57-member OIC had to take firm action to stop the violence.

He also advised Malaysians to establish contact with the Malaysian missions in the countries they visited where there have been terror attacks.

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