

**M'sia wants UN intervention in Gaza**  
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Malaysia, the chair of the 57-nation Organisation of the Islamic Conference, today urged immediate United Nations intervention to end the deadly violence in Gaza.

Foreign Minister Syed Hamid Albar said the international community led by the United Nations must seek a solution to bring peace in the region.

"All this violence must stop. The international community must intervene. I think the United Nations must intervene," Syed Hamid told AFP.

Fighting has erupted between rival factions in Gaza between Hamas and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas' Fatah Party, with nearly 50 dead and 100 wounded since Sunday.

Israel has also launched a series of air strikes on the Gaza Strip in retaliation for Palestinian rocket attacks on southern Israel.

Syed Hamid said Hamas and other Palestinian groups must stop the fighting and "get together in order to resolve their differences."

Malaysia supports a Palestinian statehood and does not have diplomatic ties with Israel.

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