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Taking a stand against nuclear war

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Academic produces book in bid
to prevent disaster from happening



Moral support: Dr Mahathir sharing a light moment with Prof Chossudovsky (left) at the launch of the latter's book, "Towards a World War III Scenario", at the Perdana Global Peace Foundation in Kuala Lumpur. Looking on is Tun Dr Siti Hasmah Ali (right).

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KUALA LUMPUR: Nuclear war is a crime against humanity and it has to be prevented, said Canadian academic Prof Michel Chossudovsky.

That was the reason he wrote a book in an effort to prevent nuclear war.

"Death by radiation is gradual, and the effects could spread," said the author of *Towards a World War III Scenario: The Dangers of Nuclear War*.

"I am a writer and a researcher, and this book is there to sensitise public opinion (on nuclear warfare).

"(The book) is to present the facts and to point to the fact that in the wake of Sept 11, 2001, there has been a very significant redefinition of nuclear doctrine in terms of the US military."

He said this after the launch at the Perdana Global Peace Foundation (PGPF) here.

He said that he was inspired by the foundation - an initiative by former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad - which does research on issues such as nuclear war.



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Prof Chossudovsky asserts the world is at a very critical crossroad as the line between nuclear and conventional weapons becomes increasingly blurred.

He warns of the development of "new-generation nuclear weapons" that are touted to be "safe" for the surrounding civilian population.

"The distinction between conventional and nuclear weapons has been totally blurred and the wars of the 21st century are going to be waged with a combination of both," he said.

In a dialogue after the book launch, Prof Chossudovsky claimed that the threat of a nuclear war comes from the United States, Nato and Israel.

Prof Chossudovsky's book, which was launched by Dr Mahathir, is on sale at PGPF for RM25.