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# Peace achieved via sacrifices of uniformed forces: PM

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** The peace that Malaysians enjoy today did not happen by accident, but was achieved through pre-emptive action by security forces, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Abdul Razak.

He said these are among the sacrifices made by the uniformed forces to ensure Malaysia will continue to enjoy peace and harmony.

"We saw on television what happened in Manchester, Jakarta, Marawi ... thank God it doesn't happen here," Najib said yesterday at the "Ramadan Friendly Session" event for uniformed forces personnel organised by Wanita Umno at Putra World Trade Centre.

Najib also commended measures taken by security forces, that put Malaysia at the 29th position in the 2017 Global Peace Index.

Besides improving Malaysia's ranking last year, the country also came in fifth in the Asia Pacific region, just after New

Zealand, Japan, Australia and Singapore.

He reminded uniformed personnel to remain loyal to their leaders in performing their duties to ensure peace.

Najib said in the Lahad Datu intrusion in 2013, there was a "snitch" among the security personnel who leaked information to the enemies.

"This caused 10 people their lives. How can someone turn their back on their comrades?"

The Ramadan Friendly Session this year was its ninth event, with about 11,250 gift boxes containing cookies and "kain pelikat" given to 13 uniformed bodies, namely the armed forces, police, the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency, Road Transport Department, Customs Department, Immigration Department, Fire and Rescue Department, Prisons Department, Civil Defence Forces, People's Volunteer Corps, Border Security Agency, the National Disaster Management Agency and nurses from the Health Ministry.

Also present at the event was Defence Minister and Special Functions Minister Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Hussein.