

PALESTINIAN CAUSE

Envoy: Show solidarity with Dr M, Malaysia

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KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad should not be left fighting a lone battle in support of the Palestinian cause.

Palestine Ambassador to Malaysia Walid Abu Ali said it should be supported by many more parties and countries.

"I am saddened to see how Malaysia has been left alone regarding the recent issue pertaining to the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), in which, unfortunately, the rest of the Arab countries also remained silent.

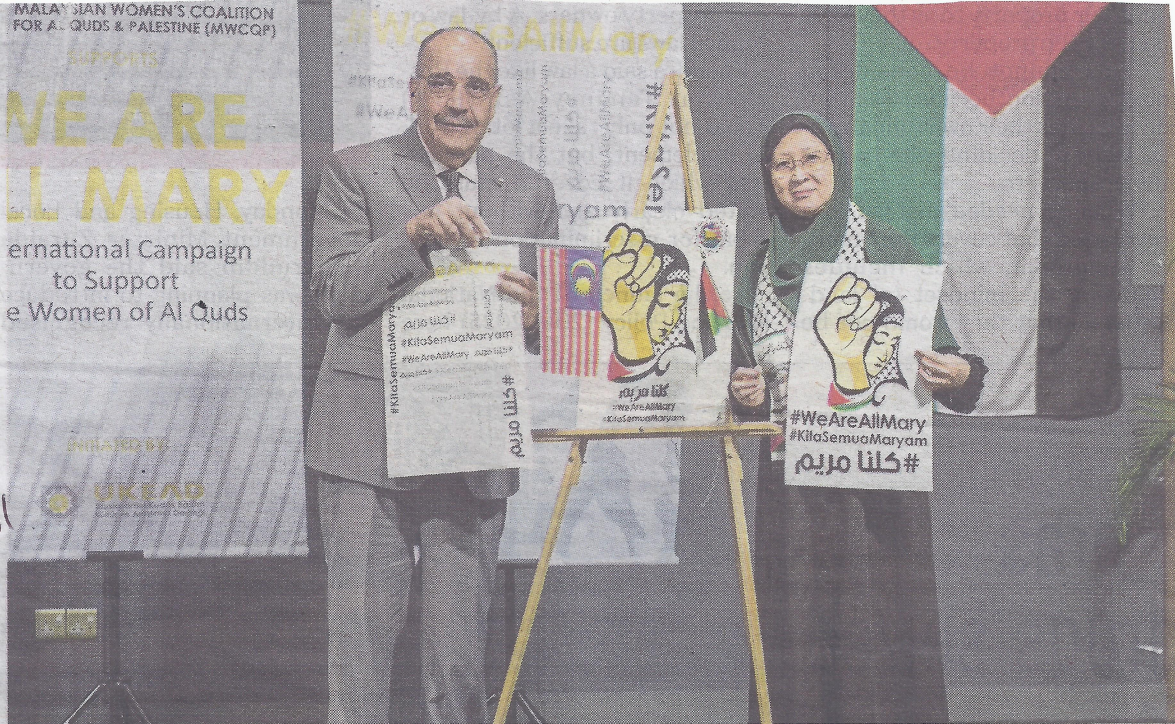
"This should not be happening. Thus, I hope those who believe in democracy, human rights and international law to (at least) come forward and show solidarity with Malaysia and its leader.

"Avoid the double standards

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Palestine Ambassador to Malaysia Walid Abu Ali (left) and Rose 2 Rose adviser Dr Fauziah Mohd Hasan at the launch of the #WeAreAllMaryam campaign in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. BERNAMA PIC

whenever the Israeli and Palestinian issue arises."

The envoy said this in response to IPC's decision to strip Malaysia of the right to host the 2019 World Para-Swimming Championships following Malaysia's decision not to allow Israeli swimmers to participate in the championships.

Walid was met on the sidelines of #WeAreAllMaryam campaign launch, co-organised by Malaysia Women's Coalition for Al-Quds and Palestine and Humanitarian

Care Malaysia Bhd (MyCARE) here yesterday.

He said Palestinians were grateful to the government and people of Malaysia for its support.

Walid also highlighted education support as one of the important pillars of the bilateral ties.

Citing the #WeAreAllMaryam campaign, which outlined a project to provide scholarships for at least five Palestinians among participating countries, Walid said he was thankful for the efforts

shown by Malaysian non-governmental organisations.

"Malaysia has always been a great supporter, politically, of Palestine. They always show their solidarity, locally, regionally and internationally.

"We have about 2,000 Palestinian students in Malaysian universities, at all levels.

"They are similarly treated, like Malaysians. This is where, again, Malaysia shows its undivided support for the Palestinian cause." **Bernama**