

Muhyiddin: Take action against Israel

KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia, as a member of the United Nations Human Rights Council, must take action to stop the attacks by Israeli forces on the Al-Aqsa Mosque.

Perikatan Nasional chairman Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said this yesterday after Israeli forces stormed the Al-Aqsa Mosque on Wednesday and attacked worshippers.

The government, he said, must speak out against the brutality towards Palestinians and work with its international counterparts to end the violence and help them.

Muhyiddin condemned the Israeli incursions into the Haram Al-Sharif compound and the attacks on Palestinian worshippers.

“The barbaric act of the Zionist regime was done just a day after the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees adopted the A/HRC/52/L.32 resolution (on the inalienable, permanent and unqualified right of the Palestinian people to self-determination).

“The Malaysian government must not remain silent but must do all it can to pressure international institutions, whether through the UN or the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation, to intervene and stop the violent crimes committed by Israel, as well as to free Palestinian prisoners.

“It is appropriate that the UN, while condemning the attacks,

increase efforts to hold Israel accountable for its actions.”

The former prime minister described the Israeli forces’ actions as despicable and unacceptable, especially when it launched attacks during Ramadan.

“The attacks will have a serious impact on security and stability in the Middle East region, and will undermine any effort to restore the peace process.”