

# Anwar to deliver Friday sermon at historic NY mosque

**NEW YORK:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim will deliver the “khutbah solat Jumaat” (Friday prayer sermon) at the mosque of the Islamic Cultural Centre of New York (ICCNY) on Friday.

He will be the first foreign leader to have the honour of delivering a sermon at the historic ICCNY mosque. Opened on Sept 25, 1995, it is the first mosque in New York City, which also houses the

United Nations headquarters.

Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Dr Zambray Abdul Kadir announced this at a press conference with Malaysian media at the Office of the Permanent Representative of Malaysia here on Monday.

ICCNY is an Islamic religious and cultural organisation established in the early 1960s. The centre was planned as a Muslim institution consisting of a mosque, school, library, lecture hall, mu-

seum and house for the imam.

Its objectives include serving the Muslim community in Manhattan in particular and the entire American Muslim community in general.

This includes meeting their religious needs, being a place of worship, offering classes to help people and children gain in-depth knowledge about Islam and enlightening the public with real knowledge about Islam.