

ANWAR: ISRAEL NOT INTENT ON CEASEFIRE

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PM calls on world to act against Zionist regime after offering condolences to Hamas leader

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THE attacks by Israel against Palestinians in the midst of Aidilfitri shows that the country has no intention of entering into a ceasefire as demanded by the United Nations Security Council.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said it was also proof that Israel did not care about international laws and conventions.

He said the cowardly attacks had destroyed all hopes for a peaceful solution to the Palestinian issue, and all humanitarian principles had been thrown by the wayside.

"Malaysia once again calls on the international community to take stern action against Israel's Zionist regime for this injustice.

"The international community must also work together to bring

about peace for the Palestinians, who have been consistently denied such peace for the past 75 years," he said in a statement.

Earlier, Anwar called Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh to offer his condolences on the loss of several of his family members, who were killed in an airstrike by the Israeli regime.

He had reached out after learning of the attack that killed Haniyeh's three sons, Hazem, Amir and Mohammad, along with four of his grandchildren.

"On behalf of all Malaysians, I state our unwavering solidarity and togetherness with Ismail's family and the entire Palestinian people who have lost their family members.

"The loss of innocent lives, especially children in such a tragic manner, is very hard to accept by anyone," he said.

In a video conversation be-

tween him and Haniyeh shared by Anwar on his Facebook page, Haniyeh expressed his gratitude towards Malaysia's support and solidarity with Palestinians in

Gaza.

He described the airstrike as a sign of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's ill intentions to continue the genocide in Gaza.

"It's a real sign about Netanyahu's bad intentions and behaviour, (and that of the) Israeli criminal regime against our people and as we mentioned, this is a real massacre and madness against our people since (the last) six months.

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