

Historic truce draws high praise

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World leaders laud Anwar's efforts in brokering peace

IPOH: Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim has been lauded for the successful mediation between Thailand and Cambodia, which saw the two countries agreeing to an immediate and unconditional ceasefire.

US Secretary of State Marco Rubio said his country is grateful to Malaysia for hosting ceasefire talks between Thailand and Cambodia, and applauds the ceasefire declaration.

"President Trump and I are committed to an immediate cessation of violence and expect the governments of Cambodia and Thailand to fully honour their commitments to end this conflict.

"We are grateful to Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim for his leadership and for hosting the ceasefire talks.

"We urge all parties to follow through on their commitments. The United States will remain committed to and engaged in this US-Malaysia organised process to end this conflict," he said.

German government spokesperson Stefan Kornelius said

Chancellor Friedrich Merz had spoken to Anwar to express his appreciation.

"The task now is to further de-escalate the conflict," said Merz, who also praised the good relations between Germany and Malaysia.

"As the current Chair of Asean and, bilaterally, Malaysia is an important partner for Germany in the region," he said.

A French Embassy spokesperson said France commended the Prime Minister's role in the matter.

"France welcomes the announcement of a ceasefire and the resumption of dialogue between Cambodia and Thailand following the meeting between the Prime Ministers of the two countries in Malaysia.

"It calls for the effective implementation of the ceasefire.

"This significant progress must be the starting point for a lasting settlement of disputes through peaceful means, in accordance with international law.



"France reiterates its willingness to contribute to international efforts, particularly those of Asean in this regard," said the spokesperson.

European Union vice-president Kaja Kallas described the ceasefire agreement as a major breakthrough.

"It's vital both countries implement it in good faith. I thank Malaysia as Asean Chair for help-

ing facilitate the negotiation process," she said on X.

Australia's Foreign Affairs Minister Senator Penny Wong called for both parties to honour the ceasefire and work towards a lasting and peaceful resolution.

"We appreciate Anwar and Malaysia's leadership as Asean Chair, and the role played by President Trump," she said on X.

The historic ceasefire made

headlines in top world news organisations.

This is not the first time Malaysia has played a significant role in mediating regional conflicts.

The country has long earned trust as a neutral peace broker, having previously contributed to peace efforts in Aceh, southern Thailand and the southern Philippines.