

'MUSLIM WORLD MUST SHOW STRENGTH'

Anwar urges govts not to recognise, establish diplomatic ties or trade with Israel

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THE Muslim world must demonstrate strength in spirit, unity and resilience, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim upon returning from the Emergency Arab-Islamic Summit in Doha on Monday.

Anwar said his message in Do-

ha was clear — that Muslim nations must strengthen themselves through cohesive communities, robust economies and the courageous defence of human dignity.

“I said the Muslim world must be strong, beginning with our homes, our countries, our economies and our strength in both spirit and defence. Only then can we build true strength.

“In front of the kings and leaders of the Arab and Muslim world, I said we must not recognise, establish diplomatic relations with, or trade with Israel.

“We must not support any oppressive country that oppresses people,” said Anwar at the Himpunan Pendekar Madani at Politeknik Seberang Prai, here, yesterday.

During his national statement at the summit, Anwar addressed

many issues relating to Israel’s ongoing oppression in Gaza.

Among them was his call for the Global Sumud Flotilla (GSF), an international humanitarian mission delivering vjjal aid to Gaza, to be given safe passage and not blocked or attacked.

Bernamea reported that Anwar stressed the flotilla was not carrying weapons, but rather hope and humanitarian assistance for the besieged people of Gaza.

“This is a humanitarian mission, and we must do everything possible to ensure it reaches its destination.

“If it is obstructed with violence, it means we are betraying our moral duty to defend the vulnerable, protect the oppressed, and provide food to the hungry,” he said.

The GSF is currently crossing the Mediterranean Sea, carrying

food, medicine and messages of peace to the Gaza coastline.

The mission involves more than 50 ships with volunteers from 44 countries, aiming to deliver aid in the form of food and medicine to the besieged region.

Anwar serves as patron of Sumud Nusantara, one of the groups in the mission, which brings together ships and volunteers from around the world.

Malaysia is represented by Cinta Gaza Malaysia chief executive officer Muhammad Nadir Al-Nuri Kamaruzaman, singer Zizi Kirana and actor Ardell Aryana.

On Sept 10, the lead ship, *Family*, was attacked by a drone while docked at Sidi Bou Said, Tunisia, followed by an assault on the ship *Alma*.

No casualties were reported in either incident.

Last Saturday, Anadolu corre-

spondents reported that the first convoy of GSF ships departed from the Port of Bizerte, Tunisia, heading towards the Gaza Strip.

Meanwhile, the Malaysian Islamic Youth Movement (Abim) expressed full support for Anwar’s firm stance in voicing Malaysia’s position at the emergency summit.

Its president, Ahmad Fahmi Mohd Samsudin, said Israel’s airstrikes on Doha constituted a blatant violation of Qatar’s sovereignty, international law, and posed a dangerous provocation.

“This action is clear evidence that Israel is advancing its ‘Greater Israel’ agenda — expanding military influence, violating the sovereignty of neighbouring states, and dismantling international peace efforts,” he said in a statement.



Emir of Qatar Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani (centre) with leaders, heads of state and other officials during the 2025 Emergency Arab-Islamic Summit in Doha on Monday, AFP PIC / QATAR NEWS AGENCY