

**Physical Conflicts Among Nations No Longer An Option - Zahid  
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KUALA LUMPUR, April 17 (Bernama) -- Physical conflicts between nations are no longer a viable option in this region or other parts of the world in the 21st century, said Defence Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi.

He said that invasion, violence and war between nations would only bring disaster and unhappiness to the people.

Addressing the Putrajaya Forum 2012 here, he said that countries were now faced with a new set of non-traditional security challenges, such as human trafficking, terrorism, drug smuggling and nuclear proliferation.

"They can't be resolved in isolation or through security structures of the past. This new set of challenges calls for greater transparency between nations in resolving it," he said.

Zahid said this when addressing the forum held in conjunction with the 13th Defence Services Asia (DSA) Exhibition and Conference.

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