

**Opposition Leaders More Interested In Party Rather Than Islamic Cause, Says Dr Mahathir**  
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MELAKA, Feb 18 (Bernama) -- Muslim leaders in the opposition place more importance on the party than the Islamic struggle and, in fact, are prepared to support the cruelty of Israel to ensure that their political pact is not jeopardised, said former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

He also criticised the action of the opposition pact leaders who concurred with and were influenced by the statement of the opposition leader, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim, who supported the existence of Israel.

"If they are forced to support the Jews, they (opposition) would do so whereas these people previously were purportedly fighting for the Islamic cause, particularly Nik Aziz (PAS Spiritual Leader Datuk Nik Aziz Nik Mat)," he said when asked to comment on the statement by Nik Aziz yesterday describing the statement by Anwar, who supported any effort to protect Israel's safety, as quoted by the international press, the Wall Street Journal, as the stand of the Parti Keadilan Rakyat.

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