

**Take Leaf From Malaysia In Dispute Resolution, Says Mahathir  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 23 (Bernama) -- Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has suggested that China and Japan take a leaf from Malaysia, in terms of settling disputes between neighbouring countries.

"Don't fight and don't kill each other. Even if you win, the other side will not concede. When they become strong, they will fight back," said the Malaysian statesman.

He said China and Japan should sit down and negotiate to resolve their differences.

"This is the best way to solve conflicts," he said in his keynote address at the Intercivilisational Dialogue Towards Peace, Harmonious Co-existence and Sustainability Symposium at Universiti Malaya here Tuesday.

Dr Mahathir observed that Japan and China were manufacturers of goods sold worldwide and, as such, going to war would bring negative repercussions.

He also said that Malaysia had previously let the International Court of Justice to resolve island disputes with its neighbours.

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