

**Humanitarian Support To Palestine Will Continue - Muhyiddin
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SEPANG, Aug 12 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said Malaysia would continue to support and provide humanitarian aid to Palestinians in Gaza.

"We have shown to the world that although Malaysia is a small country we have a high fighting spirit to help free the people of Palestine from Zionist suppression.

"We will continue to do whatever we can for the sake of our brothers and sisters in Gaza. This is our commitment. I appreciate the contributions by the Umno Welfare Bureau particularly volunteers and doctors who came forward to help," he said.

Muhyiddin was among the crowd at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport here today to send off the Kelab Putera 1Malaysia team on its humanitarian mission.

Also present at the sending off ceremony for 43 volunteers including medical specialists and media practitioners, were former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Kelab Putera 1Malaysia (KP1M) president Datuk Seri Abdul Azeez Abdul Rahim, Egypt's envoy to Malaysia, Salleh Mohi Eldin El Wassimy, and Palestinian envoy to Malaysia Dr Anwar al-Agha.

Muhyiddin said Malaysia condemned and vehemently oppose every form of violence by Israel against the Palestinian people in Gaza, which had claimed so many lives.

"This is not just a statement and feelings but sincerity on our part to help the Palestinian people. In this regard, the Malaysian team is bringing along food and medicine to ease their sufferings.

"This is not an easy mission because it entails a lot of challenges and dangers, which the Malaysian volunteers are willing to face, for the sake of the people in Gaza," he said.

Muhyiddin also expressed his appreciation to the Palestinian and Egyptian embassies in Malaysia for facilitating the team's journey.

The team comprising 71 volunteers who brought with them 40 tonnes of food and medicine would return to Malaysia on Aug 21.

Meanwhile, Dr Anwar expressed his gratitude to Malaysians for their support for the Palestinian people.

"Special thanks to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak. Our people appreciate the help," he said.

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