

Malaysia Condemns Attempts To Alter Character And Status Of Jerusalem By Israel
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 18 (Bernama) -- Malaysia has once again condemned the provocation, escalating violence and all attempts to alter the character and status of the Holy City of Jerusalem by Israel, said Malaysia's Permanent Representative to the United Nations Datuk Ramlan Ibrahim.

He said such sinister attempts were in blatant violation of numerous United Nations security council and general assembly resolutions.

"Time and again, the (security) council has been warned about the ticking time bombs in Occupied Palestine, as the Palestinian people grow increasingly desperate of being dehumanised, and suffer from daily humiliations, oppression and mistreatments, under the longest occupation in modern history.

"And yet, time and again, this Council has done nothing," he said in his speech at the UN Security Council Emergency Meeting on the Situation in the Middle East, Including the Palestinian Question, in New York yesterday (Oct 16).

The text of his speech was sent to Bernama here, Saturday.

He said at the General Assembly, the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting Human Rights of the Palestinian People, and the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People diligently reported on various atrocities and grave violations of human rights committed by the Occupying Power, year after year for the past decades, without any effective measures being taken to address the grave injustice.

Therefore, Ramlan said Malaysia urged for the council to act urgently in view of the deteriorating situation on the ground to address the root cause of the conflict and to finally put an end to the longest occupation in modern history.

"If we continue to turn a blind eye to the problem, there is no doubt that we will pay a much higher price in the future, which will not be in the long-term interest of Palestine, Israel and the world," he said.

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