

Malaysia And Saudi Arabia To Continue To Work Closely On Threat Of Terrorism
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 21 (Bernama) -- Malaysia and Saudi Arabia will continue to work closely in countering the threat of terrorism and Islamic State (IS), said Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Anifah Aman.

"We already have a close relationship and we discussed with each other especially in terms of exchanging information and to gain a better understanding how the IS could recruit our youngsters and our people," he said.

Anifah told a press conference after receiving a courtesy call from his Saudi Arabian counterpart Adel bin Ahmed Al-Jubeir, here, Wednesday.

He said Malaysia was satisfied with the level of bilateral trade between the two countries amounting to RM13.1 billion currently stood and hoped to see more collaborations and smart partnerships between the business communities from both countries.

Anifah added that they also exchanged views on several regional and international issues including the situation in Yemen, Syria and Palestine.

Meanwhile, Al-Jubeir said Saudi Arabia was looking forward to enhance relationship in the area of political consultation, security cooperation, economics, investments, education and culture.

"We have very friendly and strong relationship in the political sector as well. Saudi Arabia and Malaysia have been close friends in working together to confront a number of challenges over the past decades," he added.

After the courtesy call, Anifah hosted an official luncheon to honour Al-Jubeir and his delegation.

Earlier, Al-Jubeir had met Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC).

Al-Jubeir is on a two-day working visit to Malaysia starting Tuesday.

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