

OIC to Hold Emergency Meeting to Discuss Attacks on Saudi Arabia's Missions in Iran
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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 15 (Bernama) -- The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) will hold an emergency meeting on Jan 21 in Jeddah to discuss the repercussions of the recent attacks on Saudi Arabia's embassy and consulate in Iran.

The OIC said that Saudi Arabia had sought for the Emergency Meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers of its Member States is held following the incident.

It said in a statement that OIC Secretary-General Iyad Ameen Madani had received a letter from Saudi Arabia's Minister of Foreign Affairs, requesting for the meeting and that majority of the 57-Member States agreed to hold it.

The foreign ministers meeting will be preceded by a preparatory meeting of the Ambassadors of OIC Member States, the Jeddah-based organisation said.

According to reports Saudi Arabia's embassy in Tehran and its consulate in Mashhad were attacked by Iranian protesters on Jan 2, following Saudi Arabia's execution of a prominent Syiah preacher Sheikh al-Nimr along with 46 others for terrorism.

After the attacks, Saudi Arabia severed diplomatic ties with Iran and asked Iranian diplomatic mission to leave the kingdom within 48 hours.

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