

# Third LP4Q a step closer to concrete action for Palestine and Al-Quds

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PETALING JAYA, Feb 8– The third Annual Conference of the League of Parliamentarians for Al-Quds (LP4Q) should be seen as a step closer to taking concrete action on the Palestine issue and the protection of Jerusalem’s historical heritages.

The head of Turkish delegation Hasan Turan said Al-Quds is important, particularly for Muslims.

“We should educate the world about the issues, stating our stand and support for Palestinian action, and supporting them in all aspects (including) financially, culturally, (and) spiritually,” he said to Bernama via a translator.

Turan also admired Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad’s firm stand in continuing to object to the persecution in Al-Quds and Palestine and the proposed deal – dubbed as “deal of the century”.

“Malaysia does not surrender to super power such as America in this kind of issues (deal of century) and it is an honourable stand.

“I believe that the government of Muslim countries have the same understanding and to stop running their countries according to the policies and wishes of the American administration,” he added.

The deal, revealed by US President Donald Trump at the White House on Jan 28, is said to be the most outrageous violation of the rights of the Palestinians and has ignored all previous agreements based on a two-state solution – rendering the Palestinian demand for a state based on the pre-1967 borders as irrelevant.

The two-day conference starting today is organised by LP4Q under the patronage of the Malaysian Parliament with the support of several civil society organisations including the Muslim Youth Movement of Malaysia (ABIM) and the Palestinian Cultural Organisation Malaysia (PCOM).

Malaysia has been given the privilege to host the conference for the first time after the last two conferences held in Istanbul, Turkey in 2016 and 2018.

Meanwhile, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan sent a message on the occasion of The 3rd Conference, stating that the most important responsibility for the Muslim world is to protect the privacy of the Al-Aqsa Mosque, to protect Al-Quds as a monument of peace, and to defend the rights of Palestinians.

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