

'Malaysia, Turkey will help end Israeli injustices'

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PETALING JAYA: Malaysia's position is the same as Turkey in championing the plight of Palestinians as well efforts for Al-Quds (Jerusalem) to be liberated.



Turkey-Palestine Interparliamentary Friendship Group president Hasan Turan said Malaysians had a firm principle and sound judgment for supporting Palestine.

"Our president (Recep Tayyip Erdogan) and the people of Turkey have always supported the Palestinian struggle. We stand by them.

"We appreciate that Malaysia and its people share the same understanding in relation to the struggle.

"Malaysia is the heart of Asia. It has never abandoned Al-Quds, which is the heart of the ummah. We believe that the heart of Malaysians and Malaysia will be together with the heart of Palestinians and Palestine.

"God willing, Malaysia and Turkey will help end Israeli occupation and injustices in Palestine," he said after the opening of the 3rd Conference of the League of Parliamentarians For Al-Quds (#LP4Q) here yesterday.

This is the first time the twoday conference is held outside Turkey. L4PQ is a coalition of 700 members of parliament from 70 countries.

The first two conferences were held in Istanbul and officiated by Erdogan in 2016 and 2018. Turan, who is Turkish Grand National Assembly administrative chief, is leading a nine-person delegation from Turkey comprising members of parliament from both sides of the political divide.

Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad officiated the conference.

Turan said the liberation of Al-Quds relied on the solidarity of Muslim nations.

"What we are witnessing today is that the oppression (against Palestine and Al-Quds) not only stems from Israel, but also from the fragmentation of the ummah.

"The Middle East cannot be liberated if Al-Quds is not freed. Without peace in Al-Quds, you cannot have peace in the Middle East."

Turan said he was looking forward to a resolution that would move other countries to defend Palestine.

“We want a resolution to be implemented. By the end of the conference, we hope to have a resolution that will put Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and leaders (aligned to him) to shame.”

Turkish opposition lawmaker Alpay Antmen said the plight of Palestinians transcended political affiliations.

“Whatever our political background might be, as Turkish people, we stand in solidarity with Palestinians.

“I am here to support their struggle. Palestine is the red-line for the Turkish people and political parties.

“Problems in the Middle East cannot be resolved until Al-Quds becomes the capital of Palestine.”

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