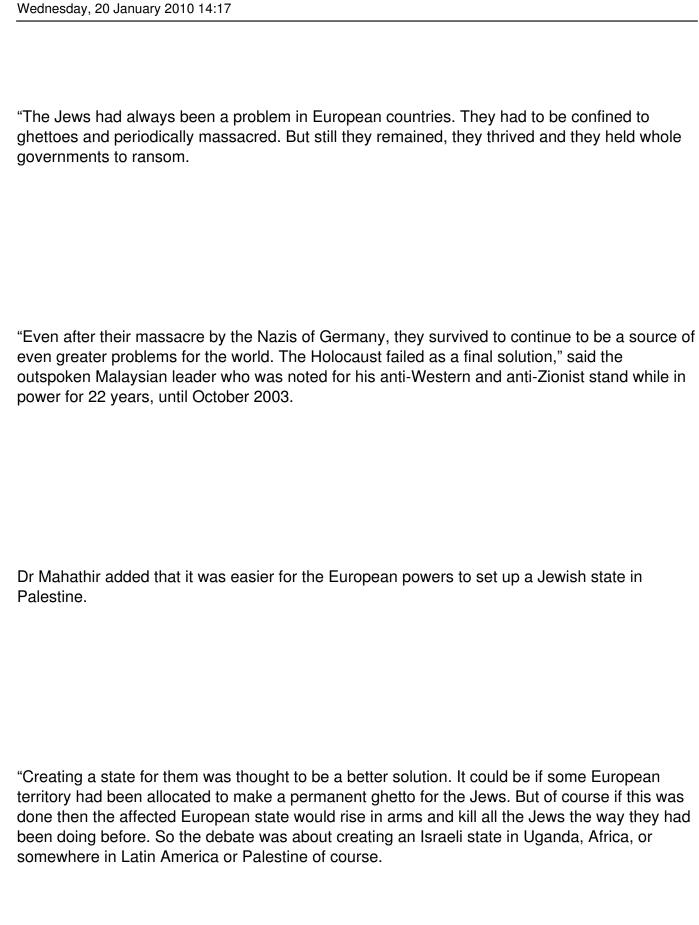


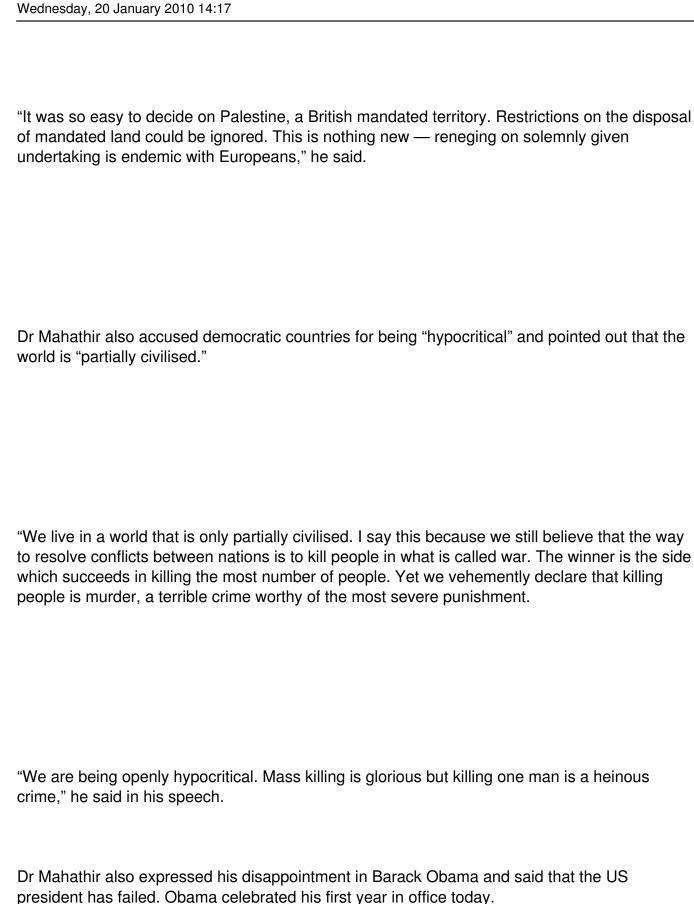
Dr M says 9/11 attacks staged to hit Muslim world

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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 20 — Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad today claimed the 9/11 attacks in the United States, that killed nearly 3,000, was staged as an excuse to "mount attacks on the Muslim world", saying killing as an excuse for war is not new to the US.





"Well, I am a bit disappointed because so far none of his promises have been kept. He promised to get out from Afghanistan but he ended up sending more troops there instead. He promised to close down Guantanamo but he has not closed down Guantanamo. Even other things he has not been able to do.
"It is quite easy to promise during election time but you know there are forces in the United States which prevents the president from doing some things. One of the forces is the Jewish
lobby, IPAC," he said.
Dr Mahathir had previously blamed the Jews for causing the Asian financial crisis.