

Rafah Crossing: Egypt Requires Gaza Humanitarian Cargo to be Transported via Israel

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Perdana Global hopes Egypt allows transport of Gaza-bound PVC pipes on land

KUALA NERANG: Perdana Global Peace Foundation (PGPF) has expressed the hope that Egyptian authorities allow Gaza-bound PVC pipes to be transported on land without going through Israel.

PGPF advisor Datuk Mukhriz Mahathir said the foundation was told that if humanitarian mission members were to unload the items from the aid ship, MV Finch, and send them to Gaza, they must go through Israel.

He added that based on previous experience, only a small portion of aid items would reach Gaza if they were sent through Israel, if at all.

"We are not convinced that these items would reach Gaza if they are sent through Israel," he told reporters after opening the Padang Terap district-level career carnival, yesterday.

Mukhriz hoped that the Egyptian government would give special consideration based on humanitarian ground to allow the pipes to be unloaded at the Port of El-Arish and sent through land transportation to Rafah border and then to Gaza.

"We just want to deliver the 7.5km PVC pipes to the people of Gaza to help them build their sewerage system. We are not sending anything which can be misused for other purposes, they are just PVC pipes," he said.

Mukhriz said if PGPF had no option to transport the pipes to Gaza other than to go through Israel, they would rather unload them in Egypt and keep them there until such time that they could be brought on land to the blockaded region

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