

UMS to host special peace programme on Thursday

KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will host the Jelajah Keamanan Rakyat Malaysia Programme (peace programme for Malaysians), involving various institutions of higher learning in Sabah, on Feb 6 (Thursday).

The event, being organised by UMS Students Council at the university's main hall, is one of the five programmes being implemented by Kumpulan Perikatan Keamanan Rakyat Malaysia (Aman Malaysia) secretariat at institutions of higher learning

in the country.

According to a statement Tuesday, the programme is aimed at demonstrating the support of students pursuing tertiary education against the American plan to attack Iraq, Israeli violence towards the Palestinians and the use of weapons of mass destruction.

A seminar on anti-violence and anti-war will also be held, involving the expected participation of some 2,000 students, and open to non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and interested individuals.

The panel will comprise of Prof Datuk Dr Mohd Noh Dalimin (UMS Deputy Vice Chancellor – Student Affairs), Dr Kamaruddin Md Said (Head of Anthropology and Sociology, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia) and Prof Dr Qassim Ahmad (UMS School of Social Science).

The programme will be officiated by UMS Vice Chancellor Tan Sri Prof Dr Abu Hassan Othman, and officially closed by Assistant Minister to the Chief Minister Datuk Abdul Rahim Ismail.