



Taufiq delivering his Malaysia Day message.

‘Prolonged disputes, divisions will damage racial unity’

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KOTA KINABALU: Prolonged disputes and divisions are the main factors that will damage racial unity in the country.

University Malaysia Sabah (UMS) vice chancellor Prof Datuk ChM. Ts. Dr Taufiq Yap Yun Hin said that such issues should be resolved through proper negotiations.

“Malaysia’s plural society rejects terrorism because it is not a solution. Negotiation produces compromise and it will maintain the harmony,” he said in his Malaysia Day message, which was shared on

UMS’ official Facebook page on Wednesday.

He stressed that the society would be destroyed without the practice of ethics and morals.

Although differences in opinions are normal, Taufiq opined that such matters must be resolved peacefully.

“Appreciate each other’s differences and learn to be more tolerant. This noble practice makes us realize that we all belong to God.

“We all do not last forever. Every living human being will return to God,” he said.