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KUALA LUMPUR, SEPT. 18 (BERNAMA) -- A MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SET UP UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE EDUCATION MINISTER, DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMED, TO REVIEW THE COUNTRY'S EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

THIS WAS AGREED UPON AT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW CABINET HERE TODAY.

A STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT SAID THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EXISTING NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL POLICY, THE OBJECTIVE AND THE EFFECTIVENESS INCLUDING THE CURRICULA OF THE PRESENT SYSTEM.

THE REVIEW IS AIMED AT ENSURING THAT THE COUNTRY'S MANPOWER NEEDS BOTH SHORT TERM AND LONG TERM ARE MET AND IN PARTICULAR, THAT THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM SERVED THE NATIONAL OBJECTIVE OF A UNITED, DISCIPLINED AND TRAINED POPULATION.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE: THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND MANPOWER, DATUK LEE SAN CHOON, THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS, TAN SRI V. MANICKAVASAGAM, THE MINISTER OF LANDS AND MINES AND SPECIAL FUNCTIONS, DATUK ASRI HAJI MUDA, THE MINISTER OF GENERAL PLANNING AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC RESEARCH, DATUK HAJI ABDUL TAIB MAHMUD, THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, YOUTH AND SPORTS, DATUK ALI HAJI AHMAD, THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND NEW VILLAGES, ENCIK MICHAEL CHEN AND THE MINISTER OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES, DATUK MUSA HITAM. -- BERNAMA 1707/7CM