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KUALA LUMPUR, JULY 14 (BERNAMA) -- THE SETTING UP OF THE JUSTICE MINISTRY SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS CASTING ASPERSION ON THE + CORRECTNESS OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL, + DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR SAID TODAY.

+ I AM AWARE THAT THERE HAS BEEN SOME UNHAPPINESS OVER THE FACT THAT THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL IS HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT, BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT HE IS IN ANYWAY BIASED, + THE PRIME MINISTER STRESSED. HE SAID THE NEW MINISTRY HAD BEEN SET UP BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT, + ALTHOUGH IT HAD ALWAYS BEEN CORRECT, + NOT ONLY WANTED TO BE CORRECT BUT ALSO TO APPEAR TO BE CORRECT.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR DISCLOSED THE SETTING UP OF THE MINISTRY WHEN HE ANNOUNCED THE NEW CABINET LINE UP AFTER CHAIRING THE UMNO SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING. AT THE UMNO HEADQUARTERS WERE.

THE MINISTRY WILL BE HEADED BY DATUK DR. JAMES ONGKILI WHO ALSO RETAINS HIS POST, AS MINISTER IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT.

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THE PRIME MINISTER ALSO EXPLAINED THAT UNLIKE THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL, THE MINISTER HEADING THE MINISTRY DOES NOT NEED TO HAVE ANY EXPERIENCE IN THE LEGAL FIELD.

*HE CAN BE JUST AN ORDINARY MINISTER, + HE SAID. -- BERNAMA
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