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AHMAD ZAHID AND SITI ZAHARAH ATTEND UMNO MT MEETING

KUALA LUMPUR, Okt 9 (Bernama) -- The newly elected Heads of Umno's Youth and Wanita movements, Datuk Ahmad Zahid Hamidi and Datuk Dr Siti Zaharah Sulaiman respectively attended the Umno Supreme Council (MT) meeting tonight.

The meeting which began at about 9.45pm was chaired by party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Party deputy president Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim was also present.

Ahmad Zahid and Siti Zaharah were elected this afternoon as Heads of the Youth and Wanita movements respectively.

Ahmad Zahid obtained 199 votes to defeat former Youth Head Tan Sri Abdul Rahim Tamby Chik who received 103 votes.

Siti Zaharah secured 271 votes to defeat former Wanita Umno Head Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz by 27 votes. Rafidah obtained 244 votes.

On arrival, Dr Mahathir was greeted by Ahmad Zahid and Siti Zaharah at the entrance to the Menara Onn at the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC).

They accompanied Dr Mahathir to the 39th floor of the building to attend the meeting. Ahmad Zahid sat in the chair for the Youth Head while Siti Zaharah sat in the Wanita Head's chair, watched by the other members of the Council.

Rafidah also met Dr Mahathir at the entrance to Menara Onn and later left the building. -- BERNAMA

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