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DAP DEMANDS FOR LING'S RESIGNATION

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 20 (Bernama) -- DAP deputy chairman Karpal Singh today called on Transport Minister and MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik to resign from his ministerial and party posts to fulfill his promise to do so in his challenge on the crossover of two DAP assemblymen to MCA last week.

Karpal said the statement by one of the assemblyman yesterday has proven the allegation by him and Kota Melaka MP Lim Guan Eng that they had been bought over by MCA and that the two had been promised monetary rewards by the party.

Temiang assemblyman Lee Yuen Fong admitted yesterday that one of his three conditions to join the party was that MCA agreed to settle the RM100,000 in damages he need to pay after he lost a defamation suit to former Gerakan Youth chief Ng Lip Yong.

Karpal, who is also Jelutong MP, said in a statement, that since Dr Ling had publicly deceived the people with his challenge to him (Karpal) and Lim, he has no moral right to be in the Dewan Rakyat and therefore, should also resign as the MP for Labis.

"I also call upon Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, as Prime Minister to publicly censure Dr Ling, who as a member of his Cabinet, should have known Dr Mahathir's aversion for money politics," he added.

Lim, said in a statement today, that Temiang assemblyman Lee Yuen Fong's statement yesterday also showed that Dr Ling was involved in money politics as he had promised to settle RM100,000 for Lee.

"With the statement, I need not wait until next Tuesday to prove my allegations against Dr Ling who bought over the two DAP assemblymen," he added.

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