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Anwar congratulates Labour leader Blair

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. - Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim today congratulated Labour Party leader Tony Blair for his victory in the British general election, saying he believed the excellent ties between both countries would continue.

"We welcome the decision of the British public," he said when asked to comment on the election of Blair as the new Prime Minister following his party's achievement in ending 18 years of Conservative rule in Britain.

He was speaking at a Press conference to announce the name of the new Selangor Menteri Besar at the Prime Minister's Department.

Anwar said he believed Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was looking forward to an early meeting with Blair.

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