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ABDULLAH RECEIVES HONORARY FELLOWSHIP FROM UK'S MARKETING INSTITUTE

PUTRAJAYA, Oct 29 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi today received an honorary fellowship from the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM), United Kingdom for his contributions towards the country's development.

CIM Senior Vice-Chairman Dr Laurie Wood presented the award to Abdullah at his office here.

Wood told reporters the award was in recognition of Abdullah's efforts in developing relationships between Malaysia and other countries particularly when he was the Foreign Minister.

"We also want to recognise his services and contributions to the Malaysian people," he said, stressing that the award was not a political gimmick.

Abdullah said he was thankful to CIM for the award and hoped that its branch in Malaysia would continue to work closely with the government to help spur the economy by bringing in foreign tourists and investors.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was last year's recipient of the award in appreciation of his untiring efforts in developing the country and for making Malaysia well known worldwide.

CIM has 60,000 members throughout the world.

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