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Cabinet-Reaction (Hishammuddin)

A VERY CHALLENGING JOB, SAYS HISHAMMUDDIN

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 10 (Bernama) -- Datuk Hishammuddin Tun Hussein today described his promotion to Youth and Sports Minister as a very challenging job.

"This is an important ministry as we are required to interact and be closer to the younger generation who will shape the modern society by the year 2020.

"This is indeed a heavy responsibility I've to shoulder seriously and with full sincerity," he told reporters at his residence here.

On hearing his appointment, Hishammuddin said his mother Toh Puan Suhaila reminded him that the post was not a privilege but a trust and responsibility placed upon him by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Hishammuddin, who was previously Deputy Primary Industries Minister, would be assisted by former Dewan Rakyat Deputy Speaker Datuk Ong Tee Keat. Ong replaced Datuk Loke Yuen Yow.

"With the combination of Datuk Ong Tee Keat, my colleague in the BN Youth, we'll move forward and seek solutions to overcome weaknesses," he said.

Hishammuddin said he would get feedback from ministry officials, leaders of sports bodies and youth organisations to determine the right approaches.

He gave an assurance to work hard to fulfil the expectations of the government and the people.

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