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FORMER SARAWAK KADI APPOINTED POLITICAL SECRETARY

KUCHING, April 28 (Bernama) -- Former Sarawak Syariah Court Kadi Abang Ahmad Arabi Abang Bolhassan, 43, has been appointed the new political secretary to Defence Minister Datuk Abang Abu Bakar Mustapha.

In a statement issued here, the Defence Minister's press secretary Ali Zulfakar Zainal Abidin said Abang Ahmad Arabi would take his oath before Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad this afternoon.

The Sibu-born Abang Ahmad Arabi, who has a degree in philosophy and faith from Al-Azhar University in Cairo, began his career in the government service as Sarawak Syariah Court Kadi in 1984.

Following his appointment as a state administrative officer in November 1992, he served in the Belawai, Kabong and Engkilili sub-districts.

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