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MCA TO FIELD EX-JOURNALIST AS CANDIDATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY SEAT

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 10 (Bernama) -- A former journalist is among two new faces from Wanita MCA nominated as Barisan Nasional (BN) parliamentary candidates for the coming general election.

MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik said today the ex-journalist is Chew Mei Fun, the Wanita MCA national organising secretary, while the other new face is its chairman, Datuk Dr Ng Yen Yen.

Chew would be fielded for the Petaling Jaya Utara seat, he said when opening a Wanita MCA forum on current issues, "Wanita-Your Voice Counts," but he did not name the seat for Dr ng.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today announced that the Parliament would be dissolved tomorrow, paving the way for the 10th general election.

Dr Ng, when asked about her nomination, said she had been nominated to contest a parliamentary seat in Pahang.

There are now three MPs from Wanita MCA -- Datuk Teng Gaik Kwan in Raub, Dr Tan Yee Kew (Klang) and Lim lay Hoon (Padang Serai).

Meanwhile, Chew said she was confident of retaining the Petaling Jaya Utara seat for the BN although she might face a stiff fight from the opposition.

The present MP for Petaling Jaya Utara is Vincent Lim Kuo Phau.

Chew, 35, was a reporter with the China Press in 1981 before furthering her studies in Taiwan Cheng Zhi University, in Taiwan.

She rejoined the newspaper upon her return and later became a teacher.

She joined the MCA in 1991 and had served as Teng's private secretary.

She now runs a public relations and advertising firm.

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