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Ling queried over reshuffle

PETALING JAYA, Thurs. - MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik was today asked if the party had requested that the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad have "a minor reshuffle" involving the MCA.

He was asked if the MCA recommended that current Deputy Finance Minister Datuk Chan Kong Choy be made Health Minister in place of Datuk Chua Jui Meng while Deputy Home Minister Datuk Chor Chee Heung was recommended to take over from Chan and if the current Dewan Rakyat Speaker Datuk Lim Si Cheng would replace Chor.

"Cabinet reshuffles and Cabinet appointments are the prerogative of the Prime Minister," Dr Ling replied at a Press conference after chairing the Selangor MCA liaison committee meeting at a hotel here.

Both Chua and Chan are party vice-presidents while Chor heads the party's social ill committee. Lim is the party's chief administrative director.

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