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MCA hails appointment of Chinese Press secretary

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. - The possible appointment of a Chinese Press secretary to the Prime Minister is no reflection of the MCA's effectiveness in representing the Chinese community, party vice-president Datuk Dr Fong Chan Onn said today.

"The MCA has been in the Barisan Nasional ever since the party was formed. We have won the last two general elections. We have helped maintain social stability. Our track record speaks for itself," he said.

Internet newspaper Malaysiakini on Tuesday carried a report citing sources that Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad would make such an appointment to bridge the gap between the Chinese community and the Government.

DAP national chairman Lim Kit Siang then issued a statement questioning the effectiveness of the MCA in representing the Chinese community.

"The MCA welcomes the appointment. It will enable the Prime Minister to have a different perspective and help him keep tabs on the Chinese mass media."

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