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ZAINAL ELECTED VICE-CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE

KUALA LUMPUR, June 5 (Bernama) -- Malaysian Trades Union Congress (MTUC) president and ILO Governing Body Member Senator Zainal Rampak has been unanimously elected vice-chairman (workers' group) of the 90th International Labour Conference which began on June 3 in Geneva.

In a statement here today, the MTUC secretariat said that Zainal's election as conference vice-chairman was especially significant for Malaysians as Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was scheduled to address the conference on June 11. The conference ends on June 20.

"This is an honour for Malaysia for this is the first time that a Malaysian trade union leader has been elected to the high position of vice-chairman of the conference," it said.

Jean Jacques Elmiguer, the government representative from Switzerland, was elected conference chairman, it said.

Elections for the ILO Governing Body are scheduled to be held on Monday and Zainal, the workers' delegate from Malaysia, is offering himself for re-election for another three-year term.

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