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Paying tribute to Dr M for his leadership in transforming Malaysia

"WANITA MCA salutes Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad for his statesmanship and leadership in transforming Malaysia and setting the pace for Vision 2020," its chief, Datuk Dr Ng Yen Yen, said yesterday.

Dr Mahathir's gift to Malaysia was a smooth and orderly transition of leadership, she added.

"There is no chaos and there are no security personnel on the streets. This is due to the political maturity of our leaders and the people," she said at a Press conference after the opening of the Wanita MCA assembly at the Putra World Trade Centre yesterday.

Dr Ng said although Dr Mahathir's retirement would be a great loss to the nation, the movement accepted and respected his decision.

"We feel a great sense of loss without him and we will always treasure him. At the same time, we accept his decision to pass the baton to Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi," she said.

Dr Ng said the movement has absolute confidence in Abdullah's ability to lead the country and would give him all the support.

"We are very firm in our commitment to ensure nobody makes allegations against or judgment against Abdullah's ability to carry on Dr Mahathir's good work. Such allegations, if made, are tantamount to sabotage," she said.

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