

# MCA to limit president's term

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** MCA will table a resolution in the coming party general assembly to limit the term of office of the party president, the National Youth and Wanita chiefs to a maximum of three terms.

The decision was made at the party's central committee meeting yesterday, chaired for the first time by newly elected president Datuk Seri Ong Ka Ting after taking over from Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik.

Further details on the resolution which will entail amendments to the party constitution will be worked out by the steering committee in charge of constitutional amendments.

He also announced that the

MCA general assembly has been brought forward to Aug 10 to accommodate the guest-of-honour Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

The Youth and Wanita wings will hold their assemblies a day earlier.

As for the two vacant party vice-president positions, Ong said they will be left vacant for the time being.

"The central committee has decided not to fill the positions until a suitable time which is not fixed.

"We have to work on forging party unity and prepare for the general election, so we do not want to dwell into the two positions now," he said.

All existing appointed party officials have been retained, including Tan Sri Dr Ting Chew Peh as secretary-

general, Tan Sri William Chek as treasurer-general, Datuk Ong Ka Chuan as National Organising Secretary, all state liaison chairmen, bureau chiefs and appointed central committee members.

The appointments are the prerogative of the president, but Ong said the central committee has decided not to accept any resignation but to have all continue with their services in their respective posts.

Ling has been appointed honorary life president and will continue to be Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman Council chairman.

He has also been given the title of "Father of Kolej Tunku Abdul Rahman's Development" in recognition of the development achieved under his chairmanship.