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Swearing in

CHAN KONG CHOY SWORN IN AS NEW TRANSPORT MINISTER

KUALA LUMPUR, June 30 (Bernama) -- Datuk Chan Kong Choy took his oath of office as the new Transport Minister before the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin Syed Putra Jamalullail at Istana Negara here today.

Datuk Fu Ah Kiow and Datuk Donald Lim Siang Chai also took their oath of office as Deputy Culture, Arts and Tourism Minister and Deputy Information Minister respectively, at the swearing in, witnessed by Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Samsudin Osman and Chief Justice Tan Sri Ahmad Fairuz Sheikh Abdul Halim.

Present at the ceremony were Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and cabinet ministers.

Chan, the newly-appointed deputy MCA president, was Deputy Finance Minister II. He takes over from Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik who resigned on May 28.

Fu, who was International Trade and Industry Ministry parliamentary secretary, takes over from Datuk Dr Ng Yen Yen who has been appointed as Deputy Finance Minister II.

Lim was Transport Ministry parliamentary secretary.

Their appointments were announced by Dr Mahathir last Tuesday.

In the minor cabinet reshuffle, Dr Ng moved from the Culture, Arts and Tourism Ministry to the Finance Ministry while Datuk M.Kayveas, who was Deputy Housing and Local Government Minister, moved to the Prime Minister's Department.

Ipoh Barat Member of Parliament Datuk Ir Ho Cheong Sing has also been appointed, to replace Fu.

Arau Member of Parliament Datuk Mastika Junaidah Husin has been appointed as Women and Family Development Ministry parliamentary secretary.

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