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NG YEN YEN TO DEFEND MCA WANITA CHIEF POST

KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 20 (Bernama) -- MCA Wanita chief Datuk Dr Ng Yen Yen will defend her post at the movement's election scheduled on Aug 19.

"I will defend the MCA Wanita chief post," she told Bernama today.

Dr Ng, who is the Deputy Finance Minister, was asked if she will defend her post after the party's Central Committee set the party election schedule at its meeting today.

The Wanita election will be conducted during the movement's annual general meeting on Aug 19, a day before the main party's AGM.

In the 1999 party election, Dr Ng, contesting for the first time for the Wanita chief post, defeated the then Selangor Wanita chief Datuk Paduka Dr Tan Yee Kew with a majority of 209 votes.

Three years later, Dr Ng retained the post unopposed in the party election on June 23, 2002 in line with the MCA peace plan brokered by former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad to resolve an internal factional squabble.

However, in the upcoming party election, there are speculations that Dr Tan, who is also Wanita MCA deputy chief and Parliamentary Secretary in the International Trade and Industry Ministry, would challenge Dr Ng again for the post.

To date, Dr Tan has not made any announcement on whether she would contest the movement's top post.

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