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I'm happy for Najib, says Dr Mahathir

FORMER Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad commenting on Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak's appointment as the nation's ninth Deputy Prime Minister said he was happy that Najib had been finally elevated to the second most important post in the Government.

"I'm happy for Najib," Dr Mahathir said through his Special Assistant Sufi Yusoff.

Prior to his retirement on Oct 31, Dr Mahathir had hinted that Najib could be an able deputy to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

However he reiterated that it was totally Abdullah's prerogative as the Prime Minister to choose his deputy.