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MPs HAIL MAHATHIR'S COMMONWEALTH APPOINTMENT

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 24 (Bernama) -- The Government Backbenchers Club (BBC) feels the appointment of Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad as Chairman of the Commonwealth Group of 11 on South Africa as continued recognition of the Prime Minister as a world leader. (P) profile.

Club Chairman Shahidan Kassim said today the appointment also showed that Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir was a great statesman at both national and international level.

+Barisan Nasional Members of Parliament congratulate Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir and hope that his leadership and integrity will serve as an example to the people, + he told reporters at Parliament Square.

The appointment was even more noteworthy because the group included leaders from developed countries.

Yesterday Federal Cabinet Ministers sent a congratulatory message to Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir who is now on an official visit to Tanzania.

Apart from Malaysia, other members of the group are Zimbabwe, Australia, Britain, Bahamas, Canada, India, Jamaica, Nigeria, Singapore and Zambia.

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