

Mawan Stays Uncontested As SPDP President
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BINTULU, March 18 (Bernama) -- As expected, there were only two changes for top posts at the Sarawak Progressive Democratic Party's (SPDP) Ninth Triennial General Assembly here today.

Former treasurer-general Datuk Seri Tiong King Sing is now the new deputy president succeeding Datuk Peter Nyarok Entri who has been appointed its honorary life president.

Tiong, Bintulu member of parliament, is also the chairman of the federal BN backbencher club.

Replacing him as the new treasurer-general was Senator Pau Chiong Ing.

Party president Tan Sri William Mawan who has held the post for more than eight years, was also retained as president, uncontested.

Deputy Home Minister Jelaing Mersat now joins Deputy Minister of International Trade and Industries, Datuk Jacob Sagan who is Baram member of parliament, as the senior vice-president.

The four vice-presidents are Meluan state assemblyman Wong Judat, Dr. Roland Dom Matu and Capt. Zainuddin Tan Sri Hamdan, a pilot.

A statement from the election committee said some of the candidates who had been nominated had withdrawn from the contests.

Meanwhile, at their joint assembly earlier on, SPDP Wanita Chief Chiew Yen Chew and its Youth Chief Robert Ayu also retained their respective posts.

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