

MCA's Pulai Sebatang Assemblyman In Johor State Exco
Bernama
14 May, 2013

JOHOR BAHRU, May 14 (Bernama) -- Pulai Sebatang State Assemblyman Datuk Tee Siew Kiong has mixed feelings about his appointment as Johor State Executive Council (Exco) member Tuesday.

"I am a representative of Johor MCA and a Johorian. I do not have a choice as this (appointment) is on the command of Tuanku (Sultan)," he told a press conference after the swearing-in ceremony of the Johor State Exco here today.

However, the appointment did not change the decision taken by the MCA to reject all government posts at federal and state level.

Tee who is also Pontian MCA division chief explained that the MCA did not name any candidate for the Johor State Exco.

The Sultan of Johor, Sultan Ibrahim Sultan Iskandar wanted the Chinese community to be represented in the State Exco of Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin.

Tee said under the Johor State Constitution 1895, the Sultan of Johor has the right to appoint state assemblymen as State Exco members.

MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Chua Soi Lek had been informed about the Sultan's command and agreed to his appointment as he has the right to do so.

"Datuk Seri Chua had contacted Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak to inform about this (appointment). The Prime Minister said that if it is Tuanku's (Sultan) command, it must be accepted."

Tee who was handed the Tourism, Trade and Consumerism portfolio said that he will work hard to perform the task as a new member of the Johor State Exco.

A man of vast experience, Tee who worked under Dr Chua when he was Johor State Exco member will strive to strengthen racial as requested by the Sultan.

-- BERNAMA

Copyright © 2013 BERNAMA

Source: <http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v7/newsindex.php?id=949563>