

**EGM Cannot Be Held Before Sept 22 - MCA Sec-Gen  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 13 (Bernama) -- An MCA extraordinary general meeting (EGM) cannot be held before Sept 22 as the current batch of outgoing central delegates are undergoing a transition period.

MCA secretary-general Datuk Seri Kong Cho Ha noted there was no objection to the requisition for an EGM by MCA deputy president Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai but it was impossible to convene it at a date prior to Sept 22, as specified by the latter.

He said an official reply letter had been sent to Liow and three other requisitionists.

"I wish to reiterate that MCA agrees to convene an EGM, but it will not be held before Sept 22 as requested," Kong said in a statement on Friday.

On Monday, Liow and 13 other central committee members had submitted a requisition to call for an EGM to discuss, among others, the lifting of a three-year suspension imposed on Johor executive councillor Datuk Tee Siew Kiong.

Kong pointed out that MCA was currently preparing for divisional elections and division general assembly, and if the notice to convene the EGM was issued, the meeting was bound to coincide with the dates of the general assembly on Sept 22, of which there would be a new list of central delegates.

"In other words, if we issue a notice for an EGM to outgoing central delegates and they attend the EGM at a date after the new central delegates (are picked), this will certainly lead to questions on the validity of both outgoing and new central delegates attending the EGM, creating legal issues," he added.

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