

Labuan Corp Chairman out

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LABUAN: Datuk Seri Amir Hussien has been reportedly removed as Chairman of Labuan Corporation effective June 3, according to a letter circulated in the social media and confirmed by Member of Parliament Datuk Rozman Isli. The letter signed by the newly-appointed Federal Territories Minister Tan Sri Annuar Musa indicated that the action was based on the Labuan Corporation Act 2001 and under the provisions on the appointment of members to the Labuan Corporation by the Minister.

Amir was appointed to the post more than a year ago when the new Pakatan Harapan government was formed. The FT Minister then was Khalid Abdul Samad. Amir replaced Rozman who had joined Parti Warisan after the general elections.

Prior to that, the post was held by Datuk Suhaili Abdul Rahman who was also the MP for Labuan. The tradition of MPs holding the post was broken when Amir was appointed.

Amir could not be contacted for comments but Rozman was confirmed having also received a copy. With the exit of Amir there is no local representative at upper level in Labuan Corporation.

The LC Advisory Board had also been rendered non-functional with the resignation of five of the seven members of the Council after the change of government.

Dismissals of political appointees of the previous government is not surprising. Kota Kinabalu Member of Parliament Chan Foong Hin was also removed as Chairman of Labuan Port Authority before the expiry of his term by the new Transport Minister Datuk Seri Wee Ka Siong. The post was previously held by a MCA MP Wee Jeck Seng. Similarly, Wee also terminated the appointment of Sri Kembangan DAP Assemblyman Ean Wong Hian Wah as Port Kelang Chairman.