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Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamed (above), the former Alliance MP for Kota Star Selatan, is no longer a member of Umno. The decision to deprive him of membership of the party was approved by the Umno executive committee meeting on Tuesday night, Tun Abdul Razak disclosed today.

Asked if Dr. Mahathir was expelled from the party, Tun Razak said: "All I can say is that he is no longer a member of Umno."

In July, Umno's executive council dropped Dr. Mahathir from the council for "a serious" breach of party discipline" by making public copies of letters containing "vitally important party matters."