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MALACCA: The state Umno liaison committee, state assemblymen and Youth and Wanita movements have unanimously supported the supreme council's decision to sack Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.

The heads of five divisions who attended the one-hour meeting at the Al-Azim Mosque yesterday supported Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to continue leading the party and the steps taken by him to revive the economy.

Liaison committee chairman Datuk Seri Abu Zahar Isnin, who chaired the meeting, said later that there were no objections.

Among those present were state liaison deputy chairman Datuk Wira

Mohd Ali Rustam, Kota Melaka Umno chief Datuk Amid Nordin, and state assembly Speaker Datuk Nasir Manap.

Abu Zahar advised Anwar not to organise a reformation movement as it would cause a split in the community, especially among Muslims.

Asked whether he was appointed chief minister because of Anwar's strong recommendations, Abu Zahar said the appointment had nothing to do with Anwar.

"I've always been Dr Mahathir's supporter. I was chosen because of my record in politics, not by recommendation from Anwar," he said.