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Abu Seman is new Mara chairman

KUALA LUMPUR, Tue. - Majlis Amanah Rakyat (Mara) yesterday saw the appointment of lawyer and Member of Parliament for Alor Gajah, Datuk Wira Abu Seman Yusof, as its new chairman.

He takes over from Datuk Ruhanie Ahmad whose term ended on March 31.

Abu Seman's appointment was announced by Entrepreneur Development Minister Datuk Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz at the monthly gathering of the ministry's agencies at Medan Mara this morning.

Nazri, in a statement today, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad consented to the appointment which was effective yesterday.

Abu Seman, 56, is also Umno Alor Gajah division chief and Malacca Umno treasurer.

He started his career as a police inspector in 1967. He was seconded to the Anti-Corruption Agency from 1968 to 1973. He then obtained a Government scholarship to read law at Middle Temple, London.

After his return, he served as deputy public prosecutor and then as legal adviser to the Customs and Excise Department.

He resigned from the government in 1981 to join Malaysia International Shipping Corporation as senior legal executive before setting up his own law practice.

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