

Abdul Monir appointed Ikim D-G

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KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. — Datuk Dr Abdul Monir Yaacob has been appointed director-general of the Institute of Islamic Understanding Malaysia (Ikim) effective April 1.

Ikim chairman Tan Sri Ahmad Sarji Abdul Hamid, who announced this' in a statement today, said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad appointed Abdul Monir to the post on a two-year contract.

Abdul Monir, who replaces Datuk Dr Ismail Ibrahim, had been the institute's assistant director-general since 1997.

He is a graduate of the Al-Azhar

University and received his PhD from the International Islamic University Malaysia in 1991.

Ahmad Sarji said the board of directors of Ikim expressed their thanks to Dr Mahathir for appointing Abdul Monir as director-general.

He added that the board which met today appointed Nik Mustapha Nik Hassan the institute's deputy director-general.

The board thanked Ismail, the out-going director-general, for helping it implement Ikim programmes.