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Song quits as Kuching MP

MEMBER of Parliament for Bandar Kuching Datuk Song Swee Guan, who was declared a bankrupt last month, has resigned.

He notified Dewan Rakyat Speaker Tun Mohamed Zahir Ismail of this in a letter dated June 19, the House was informed before the start of yesterday's proceedings.

Deputy Speaker Datuk Muhammad Abdullah said: "With this, Datuk Song is no longer an MP since June 19."

Later at the lobby, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said no by-election would be held to elect a new MP for the constituency. A seat which falls vacant less than two years before the end of Parliament's term need not be filled.