

## **ROS gives no reason for directive on DAP re-election**

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DAP has received the letter issued by Registrar of Societies (ROS) informing the party of its decision to invalidate the party's central executive committee (CEC) election, however, the letter omits any reason for the decision.

The letter was sent by hand to the DAP headquarters in Kuala Lumpur at 5pm yesterday, said party organising secretary Anthony Loke.

Loke said the letter was signed by ROS senior assistant director Desmond Das.

In a statement today, party secretary-general Lim Guan Eng said DAP's "worst fears" the directive was politically-motivated were realised when once it viewed the ROS' "short letter".

"RoS only stated in their letter dated 30 July 2013 that they were not satisfied with DAP's explanations, without stating the grounds and the reasons why.

"Such a brief letter by ROS stating the directive but not the reasons why, as well as providing evidence that supports the ROS decision is most unprofessional, flagrant misuse of their exercise of power resulting in a great injustice to the DAP," he said.

ROS not satisfied with explanation

The ROS' decision to require a re-election was first revealed by Home Minister Ahmad Zahid Hamidi at a Buka Puasa open house dinner held by the government agency last Monday.

NONEAhmad Zaid said the ROS was not satisfied with the party's explanation of glitches that had cropped up during the CEC election.

He also stressed that he had not interfered with the ROS decision.

DAP secretary-general Lim Guan Eng yesterday criticised the ROS' move as "an act of political vengeance and victimisation" as he speculated the agency had "clearly pre-judged and made up its mind to fix up the DAP".

He urged all members and supporters to remain calm while the party deals with the latest development.

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