

No official invitation for Azizah, Anwar
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While other law makers and their spouses were issued official invitations to attend the opening of the 12th Parliament session by the King Mizan Zainal Abidin tomorrow, Opposition Leader Wan Azizah Wan Ismail (Permatang Pauh-PKR) was not.
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All she got was a letter. Even then, her husband and de facto PKR leader Anwar Ibrahim was not asked to attend.

"I would like to ask why," said Wan Azizah today in a press conference held after the swearing-in ceremony of the 222 Members of Parliament today.

The King Tuanku Mizan Zainal Abidin is scheduled to open the 12th Parliament tomorrow and deliver the royal address.

"We feel disappointed when informed that the Opposition Leader was not invited officially for the opening of Parliament session by the king tomorrow. Only a letter was issued, and her husband was not invited," said PKR vice-president Mohd Azmin Ali at the press conference.

Azmin, who is PKR MP for Gombak, said the issue has been referred to Parliament secretariat.

"All Members of Parliament received official invitation cards with the (Parliament) emblem and the name of the Member of Parliament together with the wife or husband.

"But in the context of the Opposition Leader, she was only given a letter and her husband was not invited. This has become a question as to why it happened to the Opposition Leader," he added.

PKR won the most parliamentary seats of Pakatan Rakyat parties when its candidates won 31 parliamentary contests. DAP and PAS won 28 and 23 seats, respectively.

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