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Anwar: Don't follow tyranny of the past

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PUTRAJAYA: Jailed former opposition leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim yesterday confirmed that he penned the letter warning PKR leaders against collaborating with former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

He made the confirmation when met after case management of his sodomy conviction review bid at the Federal Court registry here yesterday.

Anwar, serving a five-year jail term over a sodomy conviction, recently wrote a letter warning PKR and other opposition parties against working with Dr Mahathir in their bid to oust Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak.

In the letter, Anwar described how the "Ma-

hathir-Lim Kit Siang Declaration" was flawed and inconsistent with the PKR reform agenda.

"I definitely 'wrote it while in court,'" said Anwar yesterday, adding that the letter was initially meant to be read by opposition leaders.

"But as it got distributed widely, one might as well read it," he said, referring to the public.

When queried on his feelings about the opposition working with Dr Mahathir, he said the issue of working together never arose.

"Do not forget the (opposition's) agenda and do not follow his (Dr Mahathir's) agenda. Do not follow the corrupt crony system and tyranny of the past. That is my message."