

Lajim Officially Declares He Has Quit UMNO
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BEAUFORT, May 3 (Bernama) -- Pertubuhan Pakatan Perubahan Sabah Datuk Seri Lajim Ukin, who is also PKR's candidate for the Klias state seat and Beaufort parliamentary seat, officially announced Friday that he has quit UMNO after resigning as a supreme council member in July.

Lajim, who was also deputy minister of housing and local government, said he was still an UMNO member after resigning from all posts in the party and government.

"This is only an official announcement. However, since embracing Pakatan Rakyat, I consider myself to have quit UMNO as I was only waiting for the UMNO Disciplinary Board to expel me but until now they have not done so.

"Surprisingly, UMNO members contesting as independents in this election were expelled immediately for breaching party rules.

"I did the same thing but was not expelled," he told a media conference.

Lajim said he did not know until now why UMNO did not take any action against him and this might become an issue.

"I will send my resignation letter after the general election," he added.

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