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ANWAR LODGES POLICE REPORT AGAINST PRIME MINISTER

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 20 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim today lodged a police report against Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Attorney-General Tan Sri Mohtar Abdullah for allegedly obstructing the legal process.

In the report, Anwar claimed Mohtar obstructed the process of justice and that Dr Mahathir prevented action from being taken against former Melaka Chief Minister Tan Sri Abdul Rahim Thamby Chik over alleged corruption and abuse of power.

Anwar attached to his police report what he claimed were extracts from the investigation documents of the Anti-Corruption Agency (ACA) as well as documents from the Attorney-General's Chamber on the allegations against Rahim.

The extracts were read out to the press by Anwar's wife Datin Seri Wan Azizah Ismail here. Copies of the police report were also distributed to the press.

In the statement attached to the report, Anwar said it was his fourth report on the alleged abuse of power and corruption among the leaders.

He said it was only such documents that he had and there were no official papers with him that endangered national security.

Earlier, his former political secretary and head of Parti Keadilan Youth Mohamad Ezam Mohamad Nor said Anwar had stashed away five or six boxes of secret documents overseas.

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