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ANWAR ACCUSES DAIM OF CORRUPTION IN POLICE REPORT

KUALA LUMPUR, July 30 (Bernama) -- Jailed former Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim today lodged a police report accusing First Finance Minister Tun Daim Zainuddin of corruption.

Photostated copies of the report were distributed to reporters at a press conference by Anwar's wife and Party Keadilan Nasional president Datin Seri Wan Azizah Ismail at their Bukit Damansara residence here.

In the report, Anwar attached copies of letters written by top corporate figures Tan Sri Halim Saad, Tan Sri Tajudin Ramli and Tan Sri Wan Azmi Hamzah to Daim.

He claimed the content of the letters, which mentioned millions of shares said to be held in trust for Daim, "show corruption on the part of Daim".

Anwar is serving a six-year jail term for abuse of power to block police investigation into allegations of sexual misconduct involving himself and is currently on trial for sodomy.

In the report, Anwar said he was "quite certain" that the amounts mentioned represented only a small part of the fortune that Daim had acquired through his alleged corrupt acts.

"I have information that a major part of the wealth came in the form of shares in Resorts World, a gambling concern based in Genting Highlands, the public listing of which was approved by Tun Daim shortly before he left the post as Finance Minister in 1991," Anwar said.

Daim was reappointed Finance Minister earlier this year.

Anwar had previously lodged police reports on losses involving Perwaja Steel group and against Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad for not pressing corruption charges against International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz.

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