

Act immediately against 'Datuk T', police told
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The police must arrest 'Datuk T' immediately and take stern action against him for his public screening of a pornographic video recording, said DAP national chairperson Karpal Singh.

The screening of the video, purportedly depicting PKR de facto leader Anwar Ibrahim having sex with an unidentified woman in Kuala Lumpur hotel room on Feb 21, clearly violates the laws of the country, said Karpal.

He said he was left in a state of shock upon learning that police had yet to take any action to arrest 'Datuk T' following the 'public viewing' of the pornographic video clip.

"The police ought to have sprung into action yesterday itself to arrest 'Datuk T'. He has clearly committed offences under Section 5(1) of the Film Censorship Act, 2002 and Section 292 of the Penal Code," Karpal said in a statement today.

Under Section 5(1) of the Film Censorship Act, a person who has in his possession, control or ownership; or circulates, distributes, displays, produces, sells or hires any film material that is obscene, can be fined up to RM50,000 or jailed up to five years, or both.

Section 292 of the Penal Code punishes a person who sells, hires, distributes or publicly exhibits any obscene or pornographic material with a jail term of up to three years or with a fine, or both.

Karpal also expressed dissatisfaction with comments made on the matter by Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak and Home Minister Hishammuddin Hussein.

Najib and Hishammuddin (left) said yesterday the police were not involved in the recording of the alleged sex video, adding that unless a police report was lodged, the police would not start any form of investigation.

"He (Hishammuddin) is a trained lawyer. It is elementary for the police, upon learning of the commission of an offence, to lodge a police report for the purpose of investigation," Karpal said.

He added that he was also taken aback with Inspector-General of Police Ismail Omar, who appeared to be unfamiliar with this matter.

Earlier today, Anwar lodged a police report at the Dang Wangi district police headquarters in Kuala Lumpur, denying he is the man in the sex video.

Also today, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Mohd Nazri Abdul Aziz appeared to rise to the defence of the mysterious 'Datuk T'.

He told reporters at the lobby of Parliament, "There is a saying, 'don't kill the messenger'," in response to numerous questions on possible legal implications for those who organised the sex video screening at the Carcosa Seri Negara hotel yesterday.

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