

Perkasa wants Mara scam 'monkeys' punished
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Perkasa has filed a report with the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) on the alleged Mara property scam, where a building in Melbourne was purchased at above the market value.

Perkasa leader Azrul Akmal Saharudin said the movement would not compromise with any party that threatens the rights of the Malays and the bumiputera.

Azrul said if MACC finds that the allegation is false, then stern action must be taken against those responsible for spreading the news.

"However, if the allegation is true, then the 'beruk-beruk' (monkeys) involved, which is said to include high-ranking Mara officials and a former politician, must be severely punished.

"This is because they would not have only committed a crime, but also a clear betrayal towards the Malays and the bumiputera," Azrul added in a statement.

Australian-based daily The Age reported that Mara officers had overpaid A\$4.75 million (RM13.7 million) in the purchase of the property for use by Malaysian students in Australia.

The excess money was then laundered out of Australia and was allegedly paid as bribes in Malaysia.

Defended Mara as an institution

The Australian Federal Police have launched Operation Carambola with raids in Melbourne over the alleged property purchases linked to Malaysian politicians.

Perkasa, one of the most well-known and largest Malay-pressure NGO in the country however defended Mara as an institution "close to the Malays and Bumiputera" and "might be envied" by other parties.

"This bureau would also like to emphasise that Perkasa will defend Mara with blood and we will be the last line of defence to stop it from the attack of the enemies that tries to soil its good name, even from the Malays themselves," Azrul said.