

## **Bank founder's son slams IGP for 'no 1MDB link'**

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Pascal Najadi, son of murdered Ambank founder Hussain Najadi, has slammed Inspector-General of Police Khalid Abu Bakar for dismissing any links to 1MDB in his father's assassination.

Pascal added that Khalid's remarks had only drawn more attention to Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak, who is facing a financial scandal concerning his private bank accounts in Ambank.

"By simply denying any link to 1MDB and the assassination of my father, Hussain Najadi, the IGP draws even more attention from us, the family and the general public.

"How come he can say this as there has been no investigation?" he said in a Facebook posting from St Petersburg, Russia.

Pascal also urged Attorney-General Abdul Gani Patail (photo) to intervene in the matter.

"This is not his (Khalid) field of competence. It is the duty of the AG to pursue this case as it is a criminal offence that was committed in Malaysia.

"The mastermind killer is known to the Malaysians and to the world through Interpol under Article 145 of the Federation Constitution of Malaysia," he added.

Pascal also urged netizens to spread his message.

"In the public interest of this criminal justice matter of Malaysia, or better (its) failure, please repost and tweet," he said.

Yesterday, Khalid dismissed claims that Hussain's death was linked to 1MDB and accused Pascal of making the link based on blog allegations.

### **'Assassinated due to bank corruption'**

Pascal, in an interview with Sarawak Report yesterday, said there was more to his father's death than met the eye.

He dismissed speculation that his father was killed for being a mediator in trying to prevent a land belonging to a Chinese temple from being acquired for development.

Instead, Pascal claimed, his father was assassinated due to "bank corruption".

His remarks came following calls to reopen the investigation into Hussain's murder to ensure that it had nothing to do with the 1MDB scandal.

This came after The Wall Street Journal (WSJ) reported last Friday that US\$700 million (RM2.6 billion) in state funds was deposited into Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak's private bank accounts with AmBank.

Hussain (photo) was killed four months after the first alleged transactions involving Najib's bank accounts.

Hussain was shot dead outside the Kuan Yin Temple on Jalan Ceylon, Kuala Lumpur, on July 29, 2013.

Police believed his murder was related to his attempt to mediate in a land dispute, in which Hussain is said to have tried to stop the acquisition of temple land for development.

Tow truck driver Koong Swee Kwan was found guilty of the murder last year and was sentenced to death.

However, Pascal had complained that the person who ordered the shooting was allowed to flee to Sydney and subsequently to Shanghai, according to Australian police.

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