

'We're coming to you, Najib' says police FB
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For many, it may seem too good to be true when the police posted “Najib Razak... We are coming to you,” on its official Facebook and Twitter accounts today.

As it turned out, the Facebook account of the police force had been hacked this afternoon by a group calling themselves AnonGHost.

Since the police’s Facebook and Twitter accounts are linked, any post on the hacked Facebook account will also appear on its Twitter account, including the 3.07pm posting.

However, the police managed to regain control of their Facebook page at about 4.45pm.

The hacking comes as Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak is embroiled in the 1MDB scandal, and a special task force involving the police is investigating allegations that RM2.6 billion from the state investment company’s funds had been channelled to his personal bank account.

Najib has not categorically denied the allegations, but decried it as political sabotage and said he did not take public money for personal use.

Earlier, the hacker group also posted a series of photos and messages that are supportive of the militant group, the Islamic State, on the police Facebook page.

“Viva Islamic State,” reads the message posted at 2.24pm today, together with a photograph of what appears to be armed and masked militiamen on parade.

Several other pictures featured the flag of the self-styled Islamic State, while other messages bragged about the hack.

The police appear to be aware of the hacking, and responded on Twitter: “Be informed that the police’s official Facebook page has been hacked by irresponsible parties. Any information issued after this is not true. Thank you.”

The Islamic State is an armed group that operates mainly in Syria and Iraq, but is reported to have a global reach.

It is regarded by many countries including Malaysia as a terrorist organisation, and is known for posting videos of graphic executions online.

Netizens on Facebook had responded to the hacking with a mix of amusement and hostility.

Several, such as Syafiq Rahman, commented on one of the postings saying, “Hey, return this page to the police. I want to know updates about the police, not about you.”

Another netizen, Low Meng Kuan, is more strongly worded in his opposition to the hacking.

“Go away from Malaysia, you this ultimate keyboard warrior. Malaysians never welcome extremists,” Low said.

However, several netizens had also suggested that the hackers should have gone after Najib before they made the 3.07pm posting.

While the hackers appear to humour the popular request to Najib, Low posted the same message, telling off the group, but added one sentence at the end: “But before you disappear, kindly hack into Najib and Rosma bank accounts and reveal the amount. Thanks.”

Another netizen, Adilla Alias, said, “Alhamdulillah (Praise be to Allah). Please hack him now!”

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