

## **'Task force must haul up ex-DPM after video leak'**

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The special task force on the 1MDB fiasco that is also investigating claims that RM2.6 billion was deposited into the prime minister's private bank accounts has been urged to haul up former deputy prime minister Muhyiddin Yassin to facilitate the investigation.

This has to be done as Muhyiddin appears to possess information about the massive funds purportedly deposited into Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak's private bank accounts, Umno activist Shahbudin Husin said in his blog posting today.

This follows the circulation of a leaked video that shows Muhyiddin confiding with friends that he confronted Najib about the matter and the prime minister admitted the money was from the Middle East and was indeed deposited into his own bank accounts.

As such, not only Muhyiddin must be investigated and his statement taken by the special task force that is investigating the RM2.6 billion, but also Najib, who was implicated by Muhyiddin, must also have his statement recorded.

"There are no more excuses to delay investigating and taking the statements of the two as it is now being widely discussed," Shahbudin adds in his blog.

Muhyiddin was on Tuesday dropped as deputy prime minister in a cabinet reshuffle and this is linked to his questioning Najib's handling of 1MDB.

## **'Record Gani Patail's statement as well'**

The special task force investigating 1MDB, which had arrested five people to date to facilitate investigations, has held off questioning Najib for now.

It comprises the police, Malaysian Anti Corruption Commission and Bank Negara, with its legal aspects coordinated by the Attorney-General's Chambers.

However, the task force hit a brick wall as attorney-general Abdul Gani Patail was sacked on the same day as the cabinet reshuffle and replaced with former Federal Court judge Mohamed Apandi Ali.

The attorney-general holds sole prosecutorial powers and the task force's investigation will be rendered moot if the attorney-general refuses to proceed with the case.

Shahbudin said the special task force should also record Gani's statement on whether he possessed any evidence prior to his ouster.

However, he noted that the special task force had been "rather silent", after Gani was sacked amidst the investigations.

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