

Rosmah denies 'out to nail Zeti' article
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Rosmah Mansor has denied an article published in the Asia Sentinel which claimed that the prime minister's wife is seeking to oust Bank Negara governor Zeti Akthar Aziz.

"The insinuations and allegations are made with the intention to injure the reputation of Datin Sri Rosmah Mansor in her personal capacity and (as) the wife of the prime minister.

"Words used by Mr (John) Berthelsen (author of the article) are adversarial in nature as those misinformed 'facts' are highly skewed to connote and create a negative perception of Datin Sri Rosmah Mansor as the postings are in the public domain," read a statement issued by the law firm Messrs Noorhajran Mohd Noor.

The Asia Sentinel article was published today with the headline 'Malaysian PM's wife seeks Central Bank governor's ouster'.

This followed leaks that RM2 million in cash was deposited into her account as reported by Sarawak Report.

In its statement, the law firm said its client never demanded Zeti to find out who leaked the transaction, neither did she give an ultimatum for the governor to verify it within 72 hours or resign, as written in the article.

The firm said in its press release on July 10, the words used was that "it is hoped" that Bank Negara would conduct a probe and issue its findings into the unauthorised disclosure on the part of the bank.

"There was no indication of going after the governor in revenge for the leaks and demand her resignation. The statement (in the article) is absolutely incorrect, mischievous, and malicious.

"My client views this breach as being serious, hence the suggestion and hope that a probe be accorded.

"She firmly denies the allegations made by Berthelsen that she is (out) to oust the BNM governor. My client holds no authority, nor any harmful or malicious intent against the said governor or anyone else," the law firm added in the statement.

Following this, Rosmah is seeking:

- Unless Berthelsen has full proof and justifications in the article, to unconditionally and voluntarily apologise to her on the allegations within the next 48 hours;
- Some human decency must be observed, applied, and taken cognisance (of) not to

condemn and hold in contempt (of) the right(s) of others.

- Should Berthelsen find the justifications and basis from all the knowledgeable well-informed sources of Asia Sentinel, academicians, and political analysts to be true, he must surrender all information to the relevant authorities within 48 hours.

The statement also said that Rosmah supports any lawful investigations by the relevant authorities into the matter.

It also said she is entitled to protection of personal data and may lodge a complaint under the Personal Data Protection Act 2010 or institute criminal and or civil legal proceedings.

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