

PM's RM2.6b still under probe, says MACC
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The Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) is still investigating the RM2.6 billion in Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak's account.

In a press release today, the MACC had never said that investigations were closed.

"As stated in our statements on Aug 3 and 5, MACC has only said that the RM2.6 billion was donations from the Middle East and not 1MDB funds.

"In view of this, MACC stresses that investigations on SRC International Sdn Bhd and the RM2.6 billion funds are still ongoing.

"MACC hopes that no one will issue statements that will cause confusion among the public and create negative perception towards MACC," said the MACC in a press release today.

At the Bandar Tun Razak Umno division delegates meeting on Aug 8, Najib claimed that the MACC had cleared him of corruption in relations to the RM2.6 billion.

Where's the money now?

Najib's lieutenants have been claiming that the RM2.6 billion donation was a donation from a friendly Middle Eastern country which wanted to support Umno in the 2013 general election.

However, some also claimed that it was for Malaysia's efforts to combat the Islamic State.

The funds - US\$681 million - were reportedly transferred into Najib's private bank accounts in AmIslamic Bank a few months before the 2013 general election.

According to the Wall Street Journal, the money was transferred from Tanore Finance Ltd, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands.

But according to whistleblower website Sarawak Report, the US\$650 million was transferred back to Tanore Finance on August 30, 2013.

Sarawak Report claimed that Najib's bank account was closed on the same day and that Tanore Finance ceased operations in April 2014.

Putrajaya has yet to respond to Sarawak Report's allegation.