

**IGP: Police not Najib tool, Khairuddin broke the law**  
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Inspector-general of police Khalid Abu Bakar rebutted claims by PAS' Pokok Sena MP Mahfuz Omar that police are used by Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak to cover up the 1MDB case.

This comes after the MP condemned police for arresting Umno member Khairuddin Abu Hassan for conspiracy to topple the government on Friday night.

Khalid said Khairuddin was arrested because he lodged reports with various foreign enforcement agencies on the matter, despite pending Malaysian investigations.

The IGP said Khairuddin should have given space to local enforcement agencies to do their work instead of going on a world tour to lodge reports at foreign agencies and "pile international pressure on Malaysia".

"This is clearly an act to challenge the Malaysian legal system, undermines the credibility of local enforcement agencies and invites foreign interference in Malaysia's democratic system.

"This is a form of sabotage which could destabilise the country's economy and sovereignty," he said in a statement late Sunday.

Khairuddin (photo) is under a six-day remand is probed under Section 124C of the Penal Code, which deals with activities detrimental to parliamentary democracy.

He was prior to his arrest barred from leaving the country, along with his lawyer Matthias Chang.

Chang was once a senior aide to former premier Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who is on a campaign against Najib and 1MDB.

Besides Switzerland, Khairuddin has also lodged reports on 1MDB in London, Singapore, and Hong Kong.

Najib has repeatedly denied misusing 1MDB funds for his own personal gain and vowed to solve the 1MDB imbroglio soon.

The prime minister and several others have claimed that there is a conspiracy to topple him and government.