

MACC denies recommending 37 charges against Najib
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The Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) has denied recommending 37 charges against Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak in relation to the SRC International investigation.

"MACC would like to clarify that the article by Sarawak Report today which said MACC had recommended 37 separate charges against Najib involving the SRC International case is untrue," said the commission in a media statement today.

In a related development, MACC confirmed that Attorney-General Mohamed Apandi Ali has returned the investigation papers concerning the investigations into SRC International's RM42 million and the RM2.6 billion received by Najib.

"MACC take notes of the Attorney-General's Chambers for further clarification over a number of recommendations and actions presented by MACC.

"MACC will respond to the AGC in the near future," it said.

Sarawak Report today reported that the MACC had completed its investigation into the matter and a dossier had been submitted to Apandi which it claimed contained no less than 37 separate charges against the prime minister.

Coincidentally, Apandi in a statement today said the investigation papers were sent back to the MACC for further clarification.

The investigation gained prominence in July last year after the US-based Wall Street Journal reported that RM2.6 billion had gone into Najib's personal bank accounts.

Najib has denied any wrongdoing and claimed that the money was a "donation" from the Middle East.

However, according to the Wall Street Journal, a small portion of the money, totalling RM42 million, originated from state-owned SRC International.

Najib has not addressed the status of this RM42 million.

Sarawak Report has alleged that there were further deposits apart from the RM2.6 billion, bringing the total to about RM4 billion.

It further alleged that most of the money was never used for the general election as claimed.

The report also claimed growing consensus in Umno for Najib's exit but added that the

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