

AG likely satisfied with resubmitted RM2.6b probe paper, says MACC
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The Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission is confident that the Attorney-General's Chambers is satisfied with its investigation into two cases linked to the prime minister, as the AG's Chambers has not called the MACC in on the matter.

The two cases are the RM2.6 billion found in Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak's bank accounts and claims that RM42 million flowed from state-owned SRC International into Najib's accounts.

MACC special operations Chief Bahri Mohd Zain said the investigation papers have been re-submitted to the AG's Chambers. They were returned to MACC for further clarification on Jan 22.

Bahri said that conventionally, the attorney-general will call in MACC top management or the investigation officer to discuss facts of the case and proposed charges in high-profile cases, before deciding on whether to prosecute the matter.

"In the SRC International and RM2.6 billion cases, the MACC has not been called in for a discussion and I believe this is because the attorney-general is satisfied with the proposals made in the investigation papers," he said in a statement.

Whistleblower website Sarawak Report earlier reported that the MACC proposed "no less than 37 charges" against Najib, but the anti-graft body denied this.

Najib said the RM2.6 billion is a political donation from multiple sources, but refused to disclose who the donors are.

Najib acknowledged that the RM42 million was in his accounts, in a legal reply to former minister Dr Ling Liong Sik on claims that the funds flowed from former 1MDB subsidiary SRC International to the prime minister's accounts.

This was part of his reply to Ling, after Ling filed a counter-suit against him following his defamation suit against the MCA president.

Ling accused him of abusing public funds, a charge Najib denies.

Despite the reply to Ling, Najib's lawyer Hafarizam Harun said the prime minister also denies receiving the RM42 million.