

Whole world says Najib wrong, charges Guan Eng

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Penang Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng has lent his voice to the chorus disapproving the decision not to prosecute Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak.

"The whole world says (Najib) is wrong, but Malaysia says he is not," he said when commenting on Attorney-General Mohamed Apandi Ali's exoneration of the prime minister.

Lim, who is also DAP secretary-general, said Apandi's argument was not convincing but conceded that the decision did not come as a surprise.

"It is not a surprise, it was expected. But how can he (Apandi) say there were no elements of wrongdoing," he told reporters at the Parliament lobby.

Lim also raised the possibility of the AG not acting independently, a charge which Apandi had denied vehemently in the past.

This morning, the AG announced that there are no grounds to file charges against Najib with regard to the RM2.6 billion and SRC International Sdn Bhd's RM42 million transferred into the prime minister's personal bank accounts.

The decision was based on the investigation papers submitted by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC).

Apandi had replaced Abdul Gani Patail after the latter was suddenly removed last July over health reasons, some three weeks after the media exposed the transfer of the monies based on leaked documents by Malaysian investigators.

Gani's removal sparked off intense speculation that it was part of an attempt to impede possible charges against the prime minister, which the authorities denied.

Najib has denied abusing public funds for personal gains and blamed such allegations on those conspiring to topple him.

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