

Source: Sirul revealed five who wanted him to implicate PM
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Former police commando Sirul Azhar Umar has allegedly revealed the names of those who purportedly attempted to bribe or coax him into implicating Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak in the murder of Mongolian national Altantuya Shaariibuu, according to a source.

The source, who is in possession of Sirul's alleged video confession, told Malaysiakini that five names were mentioned.

Though he declined to reveal the identities for now, the source, who met Sirul at the Villawood immigration detention centre in Australia, said those mentioned include both Umno and opposition leaders.

"I cannot tell you who they are (for now) but some big names have been mentioned.

"Some of them had (allegedly) approached him directly while others through their aides or representatives.

"The video will be released soon," he added.

Previously, three parts of Sirul's video confession were released, where the former corporal claimed that there were attempts to use him to engineer the downfall of someone.

Though he did not state who this person was, it was an obvious reference to the prime minister.

Denied Altantuya was pregnant

Sirul had also denied that Altantuya was pregnant at the time of the murder, for which Sirul and another ex-police commando Azilah Hadri were convicted and sentenced to death.

The pair were initially acquitted, but the Federal Court later overturned the decision.

By this time, Sirul had fled to Australia, where the law does not allow those facing the death penalty to be deported back to their home countries.

Najib has repeatedly denied any involvement in the case, in which his close confidant Abdul Razak Baginda was initially charged with abetment but later acquitted.

Altantuya, a Mongolian national, was murdered in 2006 and her remains blown up with explosives in Shah Alam.

Najib, who was deputy prime minister at the time, continues to be assailed by his

detractors over this case despite the police clearing him of any link.

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