

IGP: Operating procedure can be made public
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The people must understand the role, duties and responsibilities of the police to avoid misconception between the authorities and individual, said federal police chief Musa Hassan.

"The people must understand that when facing the police, they must adhere to police instructions and directive," said Musa during a question-and-answer session on TV3 last night.

NONEHe said police can reveal their Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to the public so that they would be able to understand the role, duties and responsibilities of the police.

"The people must understand that if there was a police roadblock, they must stop and not ram into a roadblock.

"By doing so, police will become suspicious, because they might be criminals or drug traffickers or they just want to ran away from the law," he said.

Musa said police would act according to the law when handling such situations, including using force that can bring about death, when trying to defend themselves (police) or others.

"We will take action based on our justification. If there was justification for action and for the use of force when carrying out our duties, we will do it.

"But during investigations, if we come across an individual using excessive powers, we may recommend such individuals to be charged in court," he said.

Meanwhile, he urged those with influence, especially politicians to refrain from taking action, outside the confines of law, as it would hamper the police from carrying out their duties.

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