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PM won't comment on Altantuya case

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KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi refused to be dragged into commenting on the latest allegations about his deputy Datuk Seri Najib Razak's alleged involvement with murdered Mongolian Altantuya Shaariibuu.

He said the case was still in court and it would be sub judice for him to comment on it.

Asked on the statutory declaration made by a witness in that case, private investigator P. Balasubramaniam, implicating Najib, he replied: "*Lagi riuh-la, lagi riuh* (it will be more chaotic now)."

Asked for his comment, he said: "It is sub judice (for me to comment), and I refuse to com-

ment on something that is still in court."

He said Najib too was holding a press conference and he would also be getting the Attorney-General's views on the matter.

"There are all kinds of rumours flying around. Making up stories about this and that and creating chaos ... it never ends," he said.

"What is worse is that stories are added and made worse," said Abdullah.

"Now one of my officers informed me that there are rumours that I am related to Saiful Bukhari Azlan (Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's 23-year-old aide who has alleged that Anwar had sodomised him)."

"There is no sense to all this," he said.