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I won't sue blogger, says Rosmah

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NAJIB'S WIFE DOES NOT WANT TO ADDRESS UNNECESSARY ISSUES

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KUALA LUMPUR: The deputy prime minister's wife will not sue *Malaysia Today* blogger Raja Petra Kamaruddin for his statutory declaration implicating her presence at the murder scene of Altantuya Shaariibuu with two others.

"I do not want to address unnecessary issues. I've got many other things to attend to, bigger things to attend to, for the people and for the nation," Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor said when asked if she was going to sue Raja Petra.

At a press conference after launching the Asia-Pacific Conference on Children's Book Publishing at Putra World

Trade Centre (PWTC) yesterday, Rosmah added: "I have given all my statements to the police and that's it."

"It does not matter. If you are innocent, what is there for you to address? I'm not a politician. I'm not running for any post. I'm just a wife of a politician."

Her husband, Datuk Seri Najib Abdul Razak, had strongly protested against the statutory declaration last Wednesday, describing it as a "total lie" and "fabricated garbage".

He said Raja Petra's move was politically motivated.

Najib said he welcomed the police investigation into the allegation that Rosmah, then acting Kol Aziz Buyong (said to be a C4 explosion expert) and his wife

Norhayati (reported to be Rosmah's ADC) were present at the murder scene between 10pm on Oct 19, 2006 to the early hours of the following day and that police had recorded a statement from Rosmah.

Rosmah said Norhayati was not her ADC. "She was just an officer who did all my programmes, that's it."

She said Norhayati no longer worked with her and has been promoted to the Defence Ministry.

It was reported on Sunday that Aziz and Norhayati, now understood to be lieutenant-colonels,

have filed a defamation suit against Raja Petra.

They are seeking RM1 million in damages, an apology to be published on Raja Petra's website and in all the national newspapers, and the removal of the statutory declaration from all web portals.

Raja Petra has until Saturday to reply. According to the websites www.rockybru.blogspot.com and www.barkingmagpie.blogspot.com, the money will be donated to a charitable foundation.



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