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Cabinet fully backs PM

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PUTRAJAYA: The Cabinet has thrown its support behind Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Abdul Razak amidst allegations linking him to embezzlement of funds from iMalaysia Development Berhad (iMDB), said Youth and Sports Minister Khairy Jamaluddin.

He said the Cabinet members had jointly agreed that the due process should be allowed to take its course, adding that there were no calls for Najib to step down temporarily during a Cabinet meeting held yesterday.

"The task force is made up of the Attorney-General's Chambers, police, Bank Negara and Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC). Until the task force comes up with the results of the investigations, it is too premature to comment on anything else," said Khairy.

He added that Najib revealed to the ministers during the meeting, his plans to go ahead with legal action against the *Wall Street Journal* (WSJ) for its report implicating him in the alleged embezzlement of US\$700 million (RM2.6 billion) from iMDB into his personal accounts.



Najib, his deputy Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin with Khairy and the other Cabinet members after the launch of the Perdana Fellowship 2015 programme at Perdana Putra yesterday.

Khairy was talking to reporters after the launching of the Perdana Fellowship 2015 programme by Najib at Perdana Putra, here, yesterday.

In its third year, the Perdana Fellowship Programme will see 83 youths intern under Cabinet ministers for a period of between

six weeks and three months.

"This is a chance for us to get the views and suggestions from the younger generation," Najib said at a ceremony to hand over the interns to their respective ministries at the Prime Minister's Office here.