

Najib slapped with three more charges

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► Pleads not guilty to money laundering involving RM47m

KUALA LUMPUR: Former prime minister Datuk Seri Najib Abdul Razak was charged in the High Court on three additional charges involving money laundering totaling RM47 million, five years ago.

Najib, 66, who was dressed in a blue suit, pleaded not guilty after all the extra charges were read separately before Judge Mohd Nazlan Mohd Ghazali.

Najib's cases were set for mention today. The former prime minister already faces three criminal breach of trust charges involving SRC International funds amounting to RM42 million and three counts of money laundering involving the same fund.

For the three additional charges, Najib was accused of being involved in money laundering, which was a result of illegal activities in his three AmPrivate Banking accounts.

All the offences were allegedly committed at AmIslamic Bank Berhad, AmBank Group

Building, No. 55, Jalan Raja Chulan on July 8, 2014 under Section 4(1)(a) of the 2001 Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorism Financing Act which provides for a maximum fine of RM5 million or imprisonment not exceeding five years or both, upon conviction.

The Pekan MP, also pleaded not guilty to three amended charges of criminal breach of trust involving SRC International funds and three counts of money laundering involving the same fund, after all the charges were re-read.

Earlier, deputy public prosecutor Datuk Mohamad Hanafiah Zakaria informed the court that there were three additional charges of money laundering being filed against the accused.

"The prosecution also submitted amendments to three charges involving SRC funds under Section 409 of the Penal Code, which were faced by the accused and three amendments of the law involving money laundering," he said.

Mohamad Hanafiah said the prosecution had issued the word "RM4 billion" from the three allegations of misconduct faced by Najib and for three counts of money laundering, the word "2001" added on to each Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorism Financing Act.



Najib being led to court to face charges. - **BBPIX**