

MACC looking at new offences with latest materials

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"There are various serious issues that arise (in the recordings), including abuse of power, criminal conspiracy, obstruction of justice, compromising national security and the fabrication of false evidence through foreign aid and connivers," she said, adding the conversations are believed to have taken place between Jan 5 and July 29, 2016.

On the timing the clips being made public and why it was not done before Najib's court cases commenced, Latheefa said the materials were only obtained recently and that MACC was looking at a new set of offences.

"The cases can continue as far as we are concerned, the conversations are about a cover-up of the ongoing cases. We are talking about a new set of offences that have taken place (in) the recordings. Based on our expertise (and analyses of) the conversations, we can see there are elements of power abuse."

Among those who conversed with Najib and names that were mentioned in the conversations were former attorneys-general Tan Sri Apandi Ali, Tan Sri Gani Patail, Tabung Haji chairman Datuk Seri Abdul Azeez Abdul Rahim, Najib's former principal private secretary Tan Sri Shukry Mohd Salleh, Crown Prince of the United Arab Emirates Sheikh Mohammed Zayed Al Nahyan and Mubadala Development co-managing director Khaldoon Al Mubarak.

MACC also named Najib's stepson Riza Aziz, former Bank Negara officer Amhari Efendi Nazaruddin and Umno's Khairul Azwan Harun, among others.

Among the clips was one between Najib and Rosmah, who sounded angry as she told him how to deal with the fallout from the IMDB probe by the US Department of Justice.

Another conversation between Najib and Sheikh Mohammed Zayed showed an attempt to cover up alleged money laundering activities in the production of a Hollywood movie by Riza.

Another conversation took place



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**Darling,
you are the
prime minister, you
should take charge,
not anybody else,
OK?'**

-Datin Sri Rosmah Mansor telling
her husband to take charge.

File photo of Rosmah adjusting her husband Najib's shirt before a gala dinner at the 26th Asean Summit in Kuala Lumpur on April 26, 2015. - AFPPIX

between former deputy public prosecutor Tan Sri Dzulkifli Ahmad and Najib on Jan 5, 2016.

Dzulkifli was heard sharing investigation details, believed to be on the SRC International case.

Both Najib and Rosmah neither confirmed nor denied if the conversations had taken place.

"I have nothing to say," said Rosmah, while Najib said: "I am shocked by this revelation."

"Such a thing has never happened in the history of our country.

"And the timing of it is near the Kimanis by-election," he said during a break in the SRC International trial at the Kuala Lumpur High Court yesterday.

In a Facebook post at about 8pm, Najib questioned the MACC's move to release the clips, which he claimed was done with disregard to

the rule of law.

"Why did MACC insult the judiciary while there is an ongoing case involving IMDB? Has MACC become the courts now?"

After "clarifying" the conversation between him and the crown prince, Najib said his legal team plans to apply for MACC to provide them with the recording to be used as evidence in the court cases involving him and Riza.