



Najib ordered to enter defence

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PETALING JAYA: Former prime minister Datuk Seri Najib Abdul Razak was yesterday ordered to enter his defence on all seven charges related to the RM42 million SRC International corruption case.

Justice Mohd Nazlan Mohd Ghazali said the prosecution had established a prima facie case against the Pekan MP.

Najib, who appeared calm when the decision was read, said he would give sworn evidence in his defence. This means he would be cross-examined by the prosecution.

Mohd Nazlan fixed Dec 3 and 4, Dec 9 to 12 and Dec 16 to 19 for Najib to enter his defence.

"Because of his position as prime minister and finance minister (then), the accused was able to cause the arrangement of SRC International ... as a vehicle to be utilised by him for his private advantage," the judge said when delivering his decision at the Jalan Duta High Court.

"Evidence submitted by the prosecution showed that Najib abused his office for the purpose of obtaining gratification."

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