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MACC was never told to spare ex-aide, says Anwar

KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim criticised the opposition for their continued dissatisfaction with the investigation into his former political secretary, Datuk Seri Shamsul Iskandar Mohd Akin.

During Prime Minister's Question Time in the Dewan Rakyat, he said no special instructions were given to the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC), which had full independence in conducting the probe.

Shamsul Iskandar underwent the full arrest process, including being handcuffed and wearing an orange uniform, he added.

"In the case currently being investigated by MACC, look, what more do you want me to do? The individual has been handcuffed and is wearing an orange uniform. I believe many other serious cases have not even involved handcuffs.

"Are you still dissatisfied? I have not reprimanded MACC in any way. I have made it clear that they are free to investigate, so let them proceed. What more do you want me to do?"

He was responding to Datuk Mas Ermieyati Samsudin (PN-Masjid Tanah), who asked about Shamsul Iskandar's resignation.