

**NFCorp Executive Chairman Charged With CBT, Offences Under Companies Act**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, March 12 (Bernama) -- National Feedlot Corporation Sdn Bhd (NFCorp) executive chairman Datuk Seri Mohamad Salleh Ismail was charged in the Sessions Court here Monday with committing two counts of criminal breach of trust (CBT) and two offences under the Companies Act involving a total of RM49.7 million, related to the purchase of two condominium units.

Mohamad Salleh, 64, who was attired in a dark suit and tie, nodded his head that he understood the charges and asked to be tried.

For the first charge, he is alleged to, as a director of NFCorp, committed CBT involving RM9,758,140 issued through four cheques as part-payment for the purchase of two "One Menerung" condominium units at Parcel BI-1 and B1-2, Blok B on grant number 65152, lot no.56454 in the Mukim of Kuala Lumpur.

He is alleged to have committed the offence between Dec 1 and 4 2009 at CIMB Islamic Bank Bhd, Jalan Burhanuddin Helmi Taman Tun Dr Ismail.

As for the second charge, at the same address and bank, between May 6 and Nov 16 2009, Mohamad Salleh is alleged to have committed the same offence by transferring RM40 million via one NFCorp cheque into the account belonging to the National Meat & Livestock Corporation Sdn Bhd for the latter to use.

These two charges were framed under Section 409 of the Penal Code which provides for imprisonment from two to 20 years and whipping and also can be fined, if convicted.

As for the two charges under the Companies act, he is alleged have used NFCorp's assets to make the part-payments for the condominium units in the absence of authorisation by an annual general meeting (AGM) of the company.

He was charged under the Section 132(2)(a) of the Companies Act 1965 for these offences, and can be jailed up to five years or fined RM30,000, if convicted.

Counsel Badrul Munir Bukhari, who represented Mohamad Salleh, asked for bail to be set at RM100,000 in one surety and said the court could hold the accused's passport as an additional condition.

Badrul also told the court that lawyer Datuk Seri Muhammad Shafee Abdullah, who was currently overseas, would act as the lead counsel for Mohamad Salleh.

My client has fully cooperated with the police and the prosecution throughout the investigation since this case arose and is now in court to clear his name," said Badrul.

Deputy public prosecutor (DPP) Dzulkifli Ahmad did not object and said he left it to the wisdom of the court.

Judge S M Komathy Suppiah said the court had to take into consideration the seriousness of the case and money involved besides not to be accused of being biased in setting the bail amount.

"Bail has been set high in cases like this although in this case, the prosecution does not object to the bail amount proposed," said Komathy.

She then set bail at RM500,000 in one surety, ordered Mohamad Salleh to surrender his passport to the court and April 13 for re-mention of the case.

Mohamad Salleh's eldest son Wan Shahinur Izmir, 32, posted bail.

Mohamad Salleh's wife Datuk Seri Shahrizat Abdul Jalil, who is also Women, Family and Community Development Minister, and other members of his family were present in court.

Badrul was assisted by counsel Datuk Ahmad Redza Abdullah while Dzul kifli by DPP Awang

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