

**Opposition Free To Report Bird Nest Export Issue To MACC - Noh
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TANJONG KARANG, Sept 15 (Bernama) -- Agriculture and Agro-based Industry Minister Datuk Seri Noh Omar said the opposition coalition could lodge a report with the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission on the issue of monopoly in the export of bird nest to China.

He promised he would not protect any officer who committed the offence and whoever made such false allegations would also be charged.

Noh said after receiving a memorandum from the chairman of the Federation of Malaysia Bird Nest Traders Association, Lim Lai Soon accompanied by DAP Sekinchan state assemblyman Ng Suee Lim, Tanjong Karang Parti Keadilan Rakyat chief Mohd Yahya Mat Sahri and Rembau PKR chief Badrul Hisham Shaharin here.

The memorandum alleged that there was a monopoly in the export of bird nest to China and the condition of using radio frequency identification (RFID) was a trick by certain ministry officers in cohort with a group of bird nest traders.

Noh also chided the attempt of the three opposition leaders to politicise the issue when the government struggled in its negotiation with Beijing to obtain its export approval.

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