

**Stop Speculation On WSJ's Allegations – Liow
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KUALA LUMPUR, July 12 (Bernama) -- All quarters are urged against making any speculation on the allegations by the Wall Street Journal (WSJ) against Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak, said MCA president Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai.

He said was important to wait for the report of the Special Task Force investigating the claims by WSJ.

"Most important, we allow them to investigate, and upon completion, the report will be revealed to the public," he told a media conference after chairing a meeting of MCA's presidential council here Sunday.

Liow, who is also Transport Minister, said this when asked to comment on the action of certain quarters who urged Najib to declare his assets following numerous allegations against him on the 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB) issue.

The special task force which was approved by Parliament is headed by Attorney-General, Tan Sri Abdul Gani Patail and assisted by Inspector-General of Police, Tan Sri Khalid Abu Bakar; Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission chairman Tan Sri Abu Kassim; and Bank Negara Malaysia Governor Tan Sri Zeti Akhtar Aziz.

On July 3, The Wall Street Journal published a report claiming that almost US\$700 million (RM\$1.2 billion) belonging to 1MDB was channelled into Najib's personal bank accounts.

On the same day, the Prime Minister's Office denied the WSJ report and regarded it as a political sabotage to topple a Prime Minister, who is democratically selected.

1MDB too stressed that it had never channelled any funds to the Prime Minister.

Meanwhile, Liow said 162 delegates comprising professional groups from 80 private sector companies and MCA leaders would take part in an international economic forum from July 14 to 16 in Beijing, China.

"Malaysia is among countries which supports the 'One Belt One Road' effort by China and it is a good platform for the two countries to further firm up ties other than boosting economic cooperation," he said.

In another developments, Liow said the party would begin a donation drive , to build a hospital in Kampar for medical students of Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR), early next year.

"We target RM3.4 million will be collected for the construction of the hospital in Kampar which will enable UTAR to expand its medical course, specifically in traditional Chinese

medicine," he added.

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