

**Justo Case Probe To Focus On Attempt To Topple Government: IGP**  
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SHAH ALAM, July 22 (Bernama) -- The police team to probe the case of former PetroSaudi International executive Xavier Andre Justo will focus on an attempt by "certain individuals or parties" to topple the government through undemocratic means, said Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Khalid Abu Bakar.

He was commenting on the setting up of a probe team at Bukit Aman to be sent to Bangkok to investigate Justo's claim of having met with Malaysian opposition politicians to sell classified information.

"Under Section 124 of the Penal Code, the direction of our investigation is to unravel the intention of certain parties or individuals who have attempted to topple the government through undemocratic means.

"We will use the same section to investigate the expose of former Sarawak Tribune editor Lester Melanyi about a plot by the opposition and the administrator of the Sarawak Report news portal (Clare Rewcastle-Brown) to denigrate the Prime Minister (Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak)," he told a news conference after launching the Royal Malaysia Police cooperative auxiliary police at i-City here today.

The police probe team was set up following the disclosure by the Thai Police last Thursday that certain Malaysian opposition politicians had met with Justo, a Swiss national, in Singapore over the purchase of the classified information.

Khalid said the Malaysian police was still waiting for approval from the Thai Police to send the probe team to Bangkok.

He said the outcome of the investigation would be handed over to the Attorney-General's Chambers.

Asked whether he would head the probe team, Khalid said he did not dismiss such a possibility.

"I do not dismiss the possibility of heading the probe team to Thailand. I am the IGP. As the IGP, I am the head of the police force. So, why can't I?" he said.

Asked whether the Malaysian police would cooperate with the Singapore Police in the probe, Khalid said: "Definitely ... but our focus now is to wait for the approval of the Thai Police for us to interview Justo."

Justo, 49, was arrested by the Thai Police on June 22 after PetroSaudi International lodged a police report that he had blackmailed the company, which had established a joint venture with 1Malaysia Development Berhad.

Asked about the statement by The Edge newspaper group that it had consulted experts to verify information on 1MDB before publishing its articles on the government investment company, Khalid said: "They have their experts, but we have our experts too. Their experts looked at something, our experts look at something else."

The Edge Financial Daily published a four-page article last Sunday alleging that 1MDB and PetroSaudi International cheated Malaysia of billions of ringgit.

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