

**MACC chief is away on leave, says report**  
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Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) chief Tan Sri Abu Kassim Mohamed has gone on a week's leave, The Star reported today.

His duties have been temporarily taken over by MACC deputy chief commissioner (prevention) Datuk Mustafar Ali.

"Yes, I can confirm that," Mustafar reportedly said when contacted by the English daily.

MACC is part of a high-level government task force investigating debt-ridden state fund 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB) and claims by The Wall Street Journal that nearly US\$700 million (RM2.6 billion) had been channelled into prime minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak's personal bank accounts.

The other members of task force are the Attorney-General, Bank Negara and the police.

On Monday, MACC issued a statement saying that the RM2.6 billion in Najib's accounts was from donors and not 1MDB.

It added, however, the probe on SRC International that involved RM4 billion was still being carried out by the anti-graft body said, referring to SRC International's RM4 billion loan from the Retirement Fund Inc (KWAP).

SRC International was named by WSJ in its July 2 expose as one of the 1MDB-linked companies that was part of the trail of funds that eventually went to Najib's personal bank accounts.

Over the past week, several members of the anti-corruption agency were hauled up for questioning by Bukit Aman under Section 124 of the Penal Code for activities detrimental to parliamentary democracy.

MACC special operations director Datuk Bahri Mohamad Zin was the sixth person to be hauled up and had said that he was questioned on the alleged draft of the charge sheet against Najib which was published by whistleblower site Sarawak Report last week.

MACC deputy public prosecutor, Ahmad Sazilee Abdul Khairy, was also arrested together with Tan Sri Rashpal Singh, a former MACC adviser, and Jessica Gurmit Kaur, an officer with AGC.

Police had said they were investigating alleged leaks of official information to foreigners. – August 5, 2015.

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