

**I'm not quitting, will serve full term, says Zeti**  
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Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) governor Tan Sri Zeti Akhtar Aziz broke her silence today and dismissed speculation that she will be resigning any time soon.

She told reporters she intends to see out her five-year term, which ends next year.

"I certainly will remain in office until my term ends," she said at a press at a briefing at the BNM headquarters in Kuala Lumpur today.

There has been intense speculation that Zeti has been under pressure to quit due to her and BNM's part in a task force investigating a money trail linked to debt-ridden state firm 1Malaysia Development Berhad (1MDB).

Rumours of this surfaced after former Attorney-General Tan Sri Abdul Gani Patail was abruptly replaced on July 28, just when the 1MDB probe was hitting full swing and several personnel connected to 1MDB companies were arrested.

Gani's term as Attorney-General was supposed to end in October.

The task force, which was set up to investigate 1MDB comprised Bank Negara, the Attorney-General's Chambers, police and the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC).

It was looking into allegations first published by The Wall Street Journal in early July that up to US\$700 million (RM2.6 billion) had been transferred through 1MDB-linked companies into the personal bank accounts of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak. Today, Zeti said BNM was investigating the source of the rumours and would take legal action against those individuals.

"There is no truth to it. These allegations were made up by anonymous people and we will seek them out and take legal action against them."

Zeti, however, did not say whether her term will be extended but added she would have served 16 years as its chief by April next year.

"In total I would have served 35 years in Bank Negara. I have accomplished almost all that I have set out to do and I believe the bank is now a solid institution that will go on to greater heights." – August 13, 2015.

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