

BN lawmakers lodge reports against blog naming them in plot to topple Putrajaya
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Several Barisan Nasional (BN) federal lawmakers have lodged police reports against a blog which named them as "conspirators" of a plot to topple the government, reported Star Online.

Barisan Nasional Backbenchers Club chairman Tan Sri Shahrir Samad told the English news portal that some of the 20 MPs named by the blog, Suara Hati, have lodged police reports.

"We want investigations to be carried out into the false news as photographs of the MPs were also included in the posting," he was quoted as saying, adding that the affected lawmakers will be holding a press conference tomorrow.

Communications and Multimedia Minister Datuk Seri Dr Salleh Said Keruak told Star Online that he has directed the Multimedia and Communications Commission (MCMC) to investigate the blog.

"Such speculations have a specific motive and aimed at destroying the good name of the affected MPs. It is very irresponsible," he was quoted as saying.

Deputy Home Minister Datuk Nur Jazlan Mohamed, who was one of those named in the blog, denied the allegation and said it might be an attempt to cause infighting in Umno.

"The motive may be to see us to detract and fight among ourselves instead of fighting the opposition," he was quoted as saying, adding that he usually ignored postings that were from anonymous sources.

Gerik MP Datuk Hasbullah Osman told BNBBC.my of his shock of finding out he was one of the persons named in the "plot".

"The prime minister has just opened my division meeting yesterday. It is impossible that I want to invite him to topple him, the person who make such slander is very stupid, too stupid," he was quoted as saying, in denying being part of such plots.

Moreover, his opening speech yesterday centred on the need to respect the institution of Umno president and prime minister.

He said he would not make any police reports for now as he has made his denials known to the highest authorities.

He also expressed surprise his name was in the list.

"Suddenly this thing come out and my name is listed, this is slander to make BN look

weak, when in truth, we are behind the prime minister and do not have any problems with him, instead we give him our full support," he was quoted as saying.

In denying any part to topple the government, Parit Sulong MP Datuk Noraini Ahmad expressed her disappointment as well that her name was among the 20, and will be lodging a police report.

"The report is important to defend my reputation and I do not want anyone in the future to simply use my name," she was quoted as saying.

She said such news were baseless and irresponsible, and aimed at discrediting her. – August 17, 2015.

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