

PAC Confirms Mohd Bakke Never Said RM2.6 Billion Came From 1MDB
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KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 16 (Bernama) -- Public Accounts Committee Chairman Datuk Hasan Arifin today confirmed that former 1Malaysia Development Berhad Chairman Tan Sri Mohd Bakke Salleh had never said that money from 1MDB had been transferred to the personal account of the Prime Minister.

He said this was consistent with the repeated public confirmation of the matter by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission and the Attorney General's Chambers.

"As chairman of the PAC, I noted with regret the misinformation published by the social media and websites with regard to false claims made in relation to what was said by Mohd Bakke at the hearing before the PAC on Feb 11," he said in a statement.

He said the PAC was a bipartisan parliamentary committee comprising experienced MPs from the government and opposition sides, and it was investigating the 1MDB matter in a professional and transparent manner based on documentary evidence, interviews of witnesses and the outcome of audit by the National Audit Department.

He said the PAC conclusion would be a public record.

"Therefore, we call on all quarters to cease unnecessary speculation and wait for the official PAC report that will be presented to Parliament in March 2016," he said.

Yesterday, Mohd Bakke, in reference to rumours on social media, dismissed an allegation he had said that a RM2.6-billion fund had come from 1MDB.

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