

MACC Denies Two Oversight Panels Will Be Abolished

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KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 25 (Bernama) -- The Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission's (MACC) two independent oversight panels will not be abolished, said MACC chief Tan Sri Abu Kassim Mohamed.

He said the Operations Review Panel and Consultation and Corruption Prevention Panel were formed under the MACC Act 2009.

"The Government is currently in the process of selecting new panel members for the new term," he said in a statement here, today.

In the meantime, he said the commission took note of the advice and suggestions provided by the Operations Review Panel in its 29th meeting yesterday in connection with investigations into SRC International and the alleged RM2.6 billion donation.

The Commission hoped that the advice to continue the probe would not be misinterpreted as an action to challenge the authority of the Attorney-General.

"I want to emphasize as stated in Article 145(3) of the Federal Constitution that the powers of prosecution are under the purview of the Attorney-General," he added.

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