

**ABC Documentary Seen as Deliberately Running down Najib in Retaliation**  
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KULAI, March 30 (Bernama) -- A documentary by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) is seen as deliberately smearing Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak's image, apart from a motive of vindication.

Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Khalid Abu Bakar said the police believed the move by Four Corners ABC was linked to the detention of its crew in Sarawak recently.

"Four Corners ABC had purposely wanted to tarnish the country and our leaders. They have the motive of revenge. The allegations are ridiculous with a hidden agenda...we regret what has happened.

"It has been repeatedly explained that the murder case of Hussain Ahmad Najadi (Ambank founder) was not related to investigations on 1Malaysia Development Berhad (1MDB) and similarly, the murder of Kevin Morais (high-profile deputy public prosecutor) was confirmed by the attorney-general as not linked to the investigations on the company," he said.

Khalid was speaking to reporters after opening the 88th 2015/2015 Annual Conference of Senior Police Officers Association here today.

He was commenting on a Four Corners documentary, 'State of Fear: Murder and Money in Malaysia' produced by ABC which attempted to link the murders of several individuals with the 1MDB investigations and the prime minister.

On March 12, Four Corners journalist, Linton Joshua Besser, 39, and cameraman, Eroglu Levent, 51, were detained for breaking a security cordon during Najib's visit to Kuching, Sarawak before they were sent back to Australia.

Khalid expressed regret over the production of the documentary, and reminded the people not to be influenced by the programme.

Meanwhile, commenting on the preparedness and control of terrorist threats, the inspector-general of police said the police had already taken the highest level of measures on the matter.

"We are already at alert level. The police are at the highest alert level against terrorist threats, especially (from) the Daesh group (of militants)," said Khalid, adding that anyone linked to the group in Syria and Iraq would be investigated.

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