

**Statement by Minister Salleh over US Dept of Justice Action with Regard to 1MDB**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, July 21 (Bernama) -- Communications and Multimedia Minister Datuk Seri Dr Salleh Said Keruak Thursday issued a statement in response to the United States Department of Justice action with regard to 1Malaysia Development Berhad.

Following is the full statement:

"United States Department of Justice Civil Complaints:

Statement by Minister of Communications and Multimedia

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1MDB has been the subject of unprecedented politically-motivated attacks, the objectives of which were to unseat a democratically-elected head of government.

So many of the allegations, like Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad's remark that RM42 billion had gone missing, were later proved false - in this case by the bi-partisan Public Accounts Committee.

This means that any claims relating to 1MDB must be treated with caution, follow due legal process and adhere to the principle of 'innocent until proven guilty'. No one should rush to judgment before allegations are proven in court.

The donation to the Prime Minister is a separate matter.

After comprehensive investigations by many authorities, it has been confirmed that the funds were a donation from the Royal Family of Saudi Arabia - as stated by the Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia on 14th April.

Datuk Seri Panglima Dr Salleh Said Keruak, Minister of Communications and Multimedia Malaysia"

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