

Media Focus On Arrival Of North Korean Embassy Counsellor To Sepang IPD

SEPANG, March 2 (Bernama) -- The presence of North Korean Embassy Counsellor Kim Yu-song at the Sepang police headquarters (IPD) here today, sent media practitioners into a tizzy.

Yu-song, who arrived in an official embassy car at 5.25pm, was seen leaving the police headquarters compound about an hour later.

He was earlier spotted shaking hands with a police officer before leaving the premises.

However, his presence at the IPD left a question mark as 30 local and foreign media practitioners waiting outside its entrance failed to get his comment as he was whisked away in the embassy car.

The media practitioners wanted to know if North Korean Ri-Jong chol, detained in connection with the murder of Kim Jong-nam, the estranged elder brother of North Korean leader Kim Jong-un would be freed and sent home.

However, there were no signs the suspect would be taken out of the premises.

Earlier today, Attorney-General Tan Sri Mohamed Apandi Ali said Jong-chol, 47, who was remanded since Feb 18, would be freed and sent home following lack of evidence to prosecute him.

On Feb 13, Jong-nam was at the KL International Airport 2 (klia2) at 8am to board a flight to Macau an hour later when two women suddenly appeared before him and daubed his face with poisonous liquid.

Jong-nam sought help at a customer service counter at the airport and was rushed to the Putrajaya Hospital but died on the way.

The victim had come to Malaysia on Feb 6 and carried a passport bearing the nom de guerre, Kim Chol.

Indonesian Siti Aisyah, 25, and Vietnamese Doan Thi Huong, 28, were yesterday charged at the Sepang Court Complex with Jong-nam's murder.

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