

Sepang Sessions Court Transfers Kim Jong-nam Murder Case To Shah Alam High Court

SEPANG, May 30 (Bernama) -- The murder case of Kim Chol or Kim Jong-nam, the estranged half-brother of North Korean leader Kim Jong-un, has been transferred to Shah Alam High Court.

Sessions Court Judge Harith Sham Mohamed Yasin, who sat as a magistrate allowed an application by Deputy Public Prosecutor Muhamad Iskandar Ahmad to transfer the case to Shah Alam High Court for trial.

No date has been fixed since it will be set by Shah Alam High Court.

Doan Thi Huong, 28, of Vietnam, and Siti Aisyah, 25, of Indonesia, were charged with four others still at large, with the murder of Kim Chol, 45, at KL International Airport 2 (klia2) departure hall at 9am on Feb 13.

The duo were charged under Section 302 of the Penal Code which provides for the mandatory death sentence upon conviction.

Their pleas will be recorded when the case comes up for mention in Shah Alam High Court since capital punishment is under the jurisdiction of the high court.

It was reported that Jong-nam was at klia2 on Feb 13 to board a flight to Macau when two women approached and suddenly wiped his face with toxic liquid which was later identified as VX nerve agent.

Jong-nam, who travelled with a passport bearing the name of Kim Chol, died while on the way to Putrajaya Hospital.

He came to Malaysia on Feb 6.

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