

## Siblings' dispute over house ownership sees couple placed on peace bond

**KUCHING:** A married couple was yesterday placed on a six-month peace bond by the Magistrates' Court here yesterday in connection with a dispute over house ownership with the man's brother.

Magistrate Mason Jaro Lenya Barayan issued the order for the RM500 undeposited bond against Andrew Shim, 70, and wife Liaw Sap Phin, 57, after they pleaded guilty to a charge under Section 67 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

Based on the facts of the case, Andrew had lodged a police report stating that around 8.30pm on March 1, 2025, while he was outside the gate of a house at Rock View Estate here, his younger brother had allegedly threatened him by saying: "If you come in, I slash you."

Acting on the report, police arrested the younger brother on March 3 for investigation.

However, further investigations revealed that closed-circuit television (CCTV)

footage from the house showed the couple arriving at the location, with Andrew exiting his vehicle while holding a hard object, believed to be a metal cutter.

The footage also showed Andrew entering the gated compound and acting aggressively, while Liaw was seen forcefully pushing the gate open from the outside, damaging it in the process.

The couple was represented by legal counsel.