

# Ex-Welfare Dept clerk claims trial to money-laundering charges involving over RM1 million



The accused being escorted by police personnel to Miri Courts Complex.

**MIRI:** A former finance clerk at the Welfare Department (JKM) office here pleaded not guilty in the Sessions Court here yesterday to six charges of money-laundering involving more than RM1 million.

Terrance Jamba Noel Nyabong, 43, of Lakeshore Villa at Jalan Sukma in Desa Senadin is charged under Subsection 4(1)(b) of the Anti-Money Laundering, Anti-Terrorism Financing and Proceeds of Unlawful Activities Act 2001 (AMLA) (Act 613).

The offence provides for up to 15 years in prison and a fine of not less than five times the amount or value of the proceeds from the unlawful activity, or both, upon conviction for each charge.

Under the first charge, Terrance is accused of transferring RM939,380, alleged to be proceeds from unlawful

activity, from one of his savings account to another.

The offence is alleged to have been committed between Feb 17, 2022 and Jan 24, 2023 at a bank in Permyjaya.

Under the second charge, he is alleged to have disposed of RM117,584, from his savings account to another between Feb 17, 2022 and Jan 23, 2023, at the same location.

Under the third to sixth charges, Terrance is accused of transferring RM13,200, RM12,300, RM45,000 and RM1,500, respectively, from his savings account to the accounts of four other individuals.

These offences are alleged to have been committed between April 2, 2022 and Aug 10, 2022.

# July 14 set for former JKM clerk's money-laundering case management

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Deputy Public Prosecutor Nurul Wahida Jalaluddin from the AMLA Unit in Putrajaya requested that a new date be fixed for case management and the submission of documents.

She also applied for bail to be set at RM150,000 with two local sureties in permanent employment, citing the seriousness of the offences and the large sum of money involved.

However, defence counsels Firdaus Morsidi and Mohd Ikmal Iqbal Baharuddin had argued that their client was not a flight risk.

Moreover, they further informed the court that their client was facing health issues and that prolonged detention could adversely affect his condition.

Judge Leo Saga, who presided over the proceedings via Zoom, later fixed July 14 for case management and the submission of documents.

A RM100,000 bail under two local sureties was granted, with the accused required to pay a bail deposit of RM18,000 pending the next court date.

Should he fail to pay the bail deposit, he would remain being on remand at Miri Central Prison under Section 259 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

Additionally, the accused was ordered to surrender his passport to the police, and report to a police station once a month until the disposal of the case.

Terrance was arrested at around 2pm on Sunday, and was detained at the Miri District police headquarters pending his court appearance.