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His lawyers will meet MACC officials to discuss how Low can aid probe

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FUGITIVE financier Low Taek Jho, better known as Jho Low, is believed to have informed the task force investigating the Malaysia Development Bhd (IMDB) scandal that he is ready to meet it in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), to assist in the probe.

Citing a government source, a local English portal reported that Low's lawyers were expected to

meet officials from the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) in Dubai soon to discuss how their client could assist in the probe into the state fund.

Government officials believe that Low has a close relationship with influential stakeholders in Dubai, the report said, adding that the IMDB scandal could involve another individual based in the emirate.

Authorities also believe that Low is seeking protection in Macau, the UAE and other countries that do not have ex-

tradition treaties with Malaysia.

MACC issued an arrest warrant for Low last week, and the government has contacted Interpol for help in apprehending him.

His whereabouts have long been a mystery.

Authorities were reportedly optimistic that the Penang-born businessman could help them identify and recover assets and funds bought using IMDB funds.

Low has been on the run since news of the scandal broke in 2015, and he allegedly received protec-



Low Taek Jho

tion from former prime minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak and the Barisan Nasional-led government, the report said.

However, things changed when Pakatan Harapan took over Putrajaya after winning the 14th General Election on May 9.

Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has prioritised the investigation into IMDB since he took office.

Low has been described as the "best witness" to provide information on alleged crimes involving IMDB.