AGC says no new request from Swiss on 1MDB

KUALA LUMPUR: The Attorney-General's Chambers (AGC) yesterday said it had yet to receive an official request from Switzerland to provide additional assistance to probe into 1Malaysia Development Bhd (1MDB).

In a statement issued yesterday, the AGC stated that the Office of the Attorney-General of Switzerland did not send out their request through the diplomatic channel, which was legally required under the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act 2002 (Act 621).

"This Chamber wishes to reiterate its commitment in international cooperation and will appropriately

consider the request in accordance with the law once it is received through the diplomatic channel.

"This is in accordance with the relevant provisions of Malaysian law relating to mutual legal assistance," it said.

The media release was in response to a statement made by the Office of the Attorney-General of Switzerland on Wednesday, which said it was seeking further help from Malaysia in its probe.

It was reported that the Swiss authorities were trying to advance its probe into a misappropriation of IMDB funds, but had yet to receive assistance from Malaysia.