

NFCorp man to know fate on May 21

KUALA LUMPUR: Former consultant of National Feedlot Corporation Sdn Bhd, Datuk Shamsubahrin Ismail, who is charged with cheating, will know on May 21 whether the prosecution will proceed, or drop the charges against him.

Sessions Court judge Rozillah Salleh fixed the date yesterday after Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission's head of prosecution Datuk Abdul Razak Musa informed the court that he had received Shamsubahrin's representation on March

14.

Razak said Shamsubahrin had also produced his handphone to the MACC to investigate SMS contents between the accused and several other parties pertaining to the case.

"We need some time for forensics to extract the contents from the handphone," he said, adding he had yet to receive a report on the contents' extraction.

Shamsubahrin's counsel, Datuk Salehuddin Saidin, told the judge that the defence had supplied a hard

copy containing the SMS contents, but the prosecution needed to verify it first.

Rozillah fixed May 21 for the outcome of the representation. She also fixed two weeks for trial beginning July 16 in the event Shamsubahrin's representation was rejected.

Shamsubahrin, 45, who is the chief executive officer of Shamsubahrin Ismail Resources Sdn Bhd, is charged with two counts of cheating NFC director Datuk Seri Dr Mohamad Salleh Ismail of more than

RM1.7 million.

Shamsubahrin was alleged to have cheated Salleh by promising him a consultation service and inducing him to agree to pay for the service.

The offence was allegedly committed at a restaurant in Bukit Tunku at 6pm on Nov 20.

He was also charged with cheating by deceiving and inducing Salleh to hand over to him a cheque amounting to RM1.755 million at Solaris in Mont Kiara, between Nov 25 and Dec 6.