

WikiLeaks to show Israel role in Hamas murder

Police chief says Wikileaks founder's comments prove Mossad killed Al Mabhouh

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Dubai: The founder of WikiLeaks has said leaked US diplomatic cables, to be released soon, will prove that the Israeli intelligence agency Mossad was involved in the murder of Hamas commander Mahmoud Al Mabhouh in Dubai last January.

The statement by Julian Assange in an interview with *Al Jazeera* on Wednesday, proves what the Dubai Police have been saying all along, police chief Lt Gen Dahi Khalfan Tamim told *Gulf News* Thursday.

"The documents will surely prove to those who doubted us," Lt Gen Dahi said, "but I still believe that some people will still deny the fact, despite the leaked documents."

Assange said his website is due to release 3,700 more files related to Israel particularly dealing with the Al Mabhouh assassination in Dubai and the second Lebanon war.

"He [Julian Assange] is a victim and shouldn't be pursued in such a manner. The person responsible for leaking the information in the first place is responsible. Releasing the truth is not a crime," Lt Gen Dahi said.

Lt Gen Dahi said the news regarding Mossad's involvement in the Al Mabhouh assassination is not new information to him.

"This is not new information for me; I have been questioned and doubted not just by Israeli media, but by the Arab media as well. The leaked document will prove the truth about Mossad's involvement, but there are certain people that will still deny it even with the leaked documents," Lt Gen Dahi said.

Al Mabhouh was found dead in room 230 of the Al Bustan Rotana Hotel on January 20.

Assange earlier said that western papers have been reluctant to publish diplomatic cables containing information about Israel.

"There are 3,700 files related to Israel and the source of 2,700 files is Israel," Assange said. "The Guardian, El Pais and Le Monde have published only two per cent of the files related to Israel due to the sensitive relations between Germany, France and Israel. Even

the New York Times could not publish more due to the sensitivities related to the Jewish community in the US."

However, Assange said that WikiLeaks will release the files related to Israel.

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