



# Government of Malaysia

## MH370 OPERATIONAL SEARCH UPDATE #1 Period 21-28 JANUARY 2018

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This operational search report has been developed to provide regular updates on the progress of the current search efforts to locate MH370. Please be assured that work is continuing and is aimed at finding MH370.

### Underwater Search

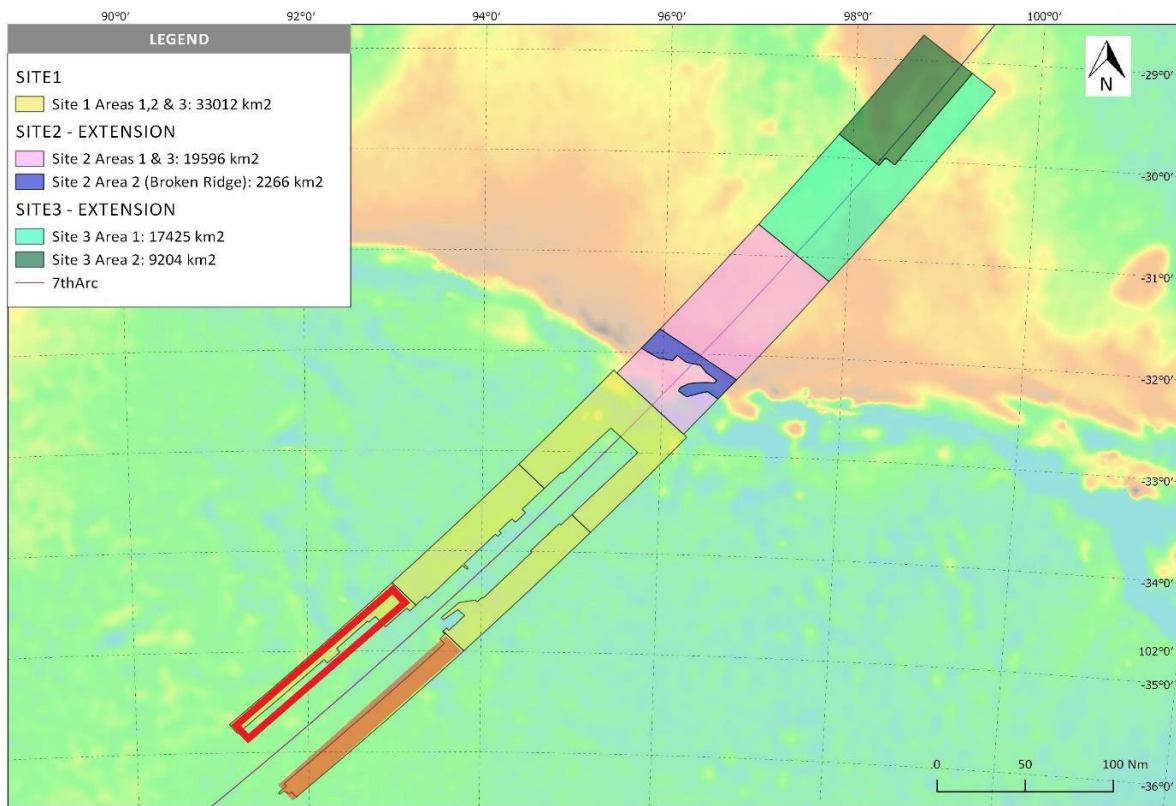


DIAGRAM 1

Note :

1. The Orange area depicted in the diagram indicates areas covered
2. The Primary search area covers an area of 25,000 square kilometres, the total area including the Supplementary area would cover an area of 33,012 square kilometres.

### Background Information

On 10 January 2018, the Government of Malaysia entered an Agreement for the search of MH370 with Ocean Infinity Limited (OI). Currently OI is utilizing their vessel *Seabed Constructor* to survey the search area accompanied by a support vessel, *MV Maersk Mariner*.

## Key developments

- The vessel *Seabed Constructor* arrived at the search area on 21 January 2018 and launched the first Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV) at 0055hrs local time (0255hrs Malaysia time) on 22 January 2018.
- Eight AUVs are being utilized for the search operation.
- The vessel has completed phase 1 (*shaded area*) depicted in diagram 2.

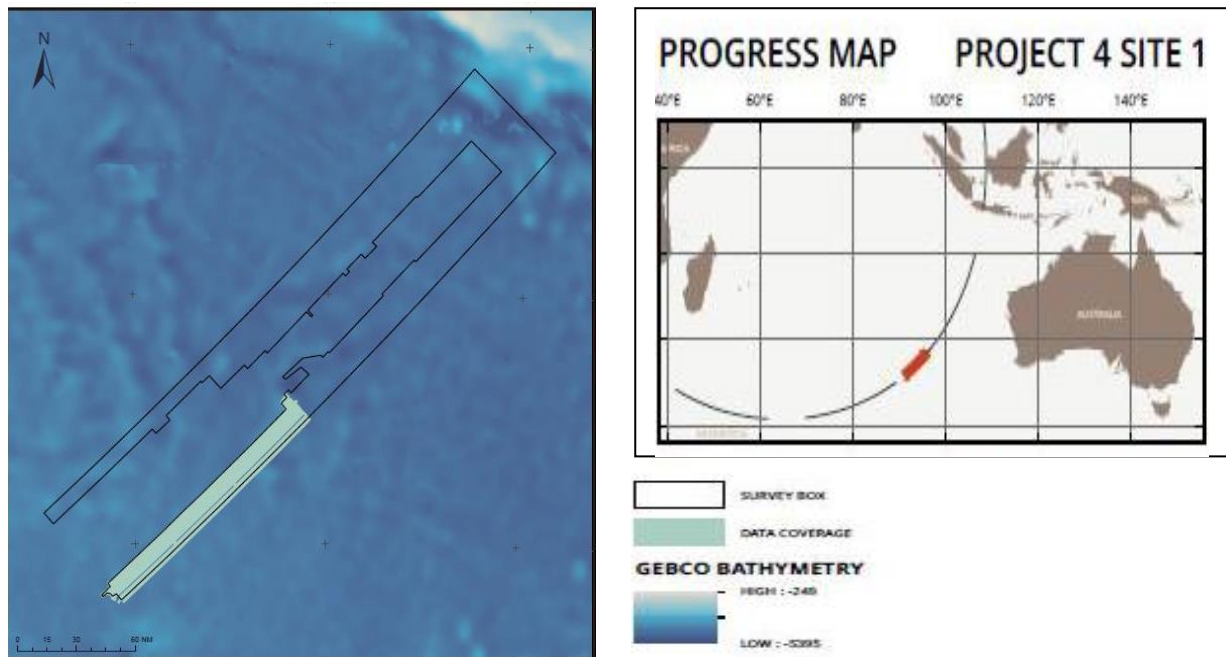


DIAGRAM 2

- Total area covered as of 28 January 2018 is 4500 square kilometres.
- No significant contacts identified to date.

## Weather

- Favourable weather conditions are forecasted for the week ahead.

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