

## **MORE POSSIBLE MH370 DEBRIS TO BE EXAMINED IN AUSTRALIA: AUSTRALIAN OFFICIAL**

CANBERRA, May 26 (Bernama) -- Three new pieces of airplane debris thought to be from Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 are set to be examined in Australia, the nation's transport minister announced on Thursday, China's Xinhua news agency reported.

Two of the new pieces of debris are coming from the small nation of Mauritius while the third piece was found in Mozambique, with all three "of interest in connection to the disappearance of MH370," Transport Minister Darren Chester said.

"The Malaysian government is yet to take custody of the items, however as with previous items, Malaysian officials are arranging collection and it is expected the items will be brought to Australia for examination," Chester said in a statement released on Thursday.

"These items of debris are of interest and will be examined by experts."

The latest news follows an announcement earlier this month that pieces of debris found in South Africa and Mauritius over the last year were found to be "almost certainly" from MH370 after examination by experts in Australia.

According to the Joint Agency Coordination Centre -- the Australian body in charge of the Indian Ocean search for the missing Boeing 777 -- more than 105,000 square kilometres of the 120,000-square kilometre "search zone" in the southern Indian Ocean has been combed for evidence of the missing jetliner.

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## **MH370: Tripartite meeting to decide whether to continue search: Liow**

**KUALA LUMPUR:** The authority involved in the search for the missing MH370 aircraft has yet to decide whether to terminate the mission after the targeted 120,000sq km of coverage in the Indian Ocean is completed.

**Transport Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai (pix) said the decision would depend on the report by the search experts despite the discovery of several debris confirmed to belong to the ill-fated aircraft, which vanished since March 8, 2014.**

He said a tripartite meeting involving Malaysia, China and Australia would be held in June or July to discuss on the next course of action.

"We stand guided by the experts' rules. After the search is completed they will give us a report and we will discuss at the tripartite meeting. No decision has been made as yet," he told reporters after opening the new RM22 million SJKC Wangsa Maju here today.

The Beijing-bound MH370 aircraft with 239 passengers and crew on board had been reported to have ended in the southern Indian Ocean. — Bernama

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