

**Malaysia Airlines Plane Bound For Beijing Goes Missing, Search Mounted**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, March 8 (Bernama) -- A search and rescue has been mounted to trace a Malaysia Airlines (MAS) aircraft that went missing on a flight today from here to Beijing, said MAS Group chief executive officer Ahmad Jauhari Yahya.

He said the last signal detected from Flight MH370 was at a point 120 nautical miles east of Kota Kinabalu over the South China Sea, and there was no indication of distress from the B777-200 aircraft with 239 people on board.

"We have contacted the Malaysian authorities and the Malaysian authorities also have contacted the Vietnamese authorities because it (the aircraft) was actually in an area between the Malaysian and Vietnamese airspaces.

MAS said Flight MH370 lost contact with the Subang Air Traffic Control at 2.40 am, about two hours after take-off.

The plane, carrying 227 passengers, two of them infants, and 12 crew, had departed the KL International Airport (KLIA) at 12.41 am and was scheduled to land in Beijing at 6.30 am.

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