

Rosmah Sheds Tears When Meeting Family Of Australian Passengers

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PERTH, April 3 (Bernama) -- Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor shed tears when meeting the family of an Australian passenger who boarded the missing Malaysia Airlines (MAS) aircraft.

She cried spontaneously when Darica Weeks, 37, shed tears while sharing the latter's story on the fate of her husband Paul Weeks, one of the seven Australians onboard the ill-fated plane that disappeared on March 8.

Rosmah immediately hugged Darica and tried to console her during the hour-long meeting attended by the couple's two sons - Lincoln, three years old , and Jack, one year old.

Rosmah was seen cuddling Jack as she arrived for the meeting at 10 am.

"You are drinking milk. Can I have some milk," she asked Jack as she put the baby on her arm.

Speaking to the media later, Rosmah said she hoped Darica could be strong as the Malaysian and Australian governments as well as other countries were searching for the plane.

"I asked her to be strong and to remember all the good deeds of her husband and share it with her kids so that they have good memory of their father," she said.

"I am trying to keep up with my life," Darica later told reporters. MAS flight MH370, carrying 227 passengers and 12 crew, left the KL International Airport at 12.41 am on March 8 and disappeared from radar screens about an hour later while over the South China Sea.

It was to have landed in Beijing at 6.30 am on the same day.

A multinational search was mounted for the aircraft, first in the South China Sea and then, after it was learnt that the plane had veered off course, along two corridors - the northern corridor stretching from the border of Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan to northern Thailand and the southern corridor, from Indonesia to the southern Indian Ocean.

Following an unprecedented type of analysis of satellite data, United Kingdom satellite telecommunications company Inmarsat and the UK Air Accidents Investigation Branch (AAIB) concluded that Flight MH370 flew along the southern corridor and that its last position was in the middle of the Indian Ocean, west of Perth, Australia.

Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak then announced on March 24, seventeen days

after the disappearance of Boeing 777-200 aircraft, that Flight MH370 "ended in the southern Indian Ocean".

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