

**I Am Still Checking On The Malaysia Airliner Crash News - Liow
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KUALA LUMPUR, July 17 (Bernama) -- Transport Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai is still checking on a news which said a Malaysian airliner had crashed in Ukraine near the Russian border Thursday.

Liow, who is currently in Beijing, said this when he was contacted by Bernama a few minutes after the news was flashed by Reuters.

"I am still checking on the matter at this point of time. I will keep you updated if there is anything," he added.

According to a Reuters report, a Malaysian passenger airliner with 295 people on board crashed in Ukraine near the Russian border on Thursday, the Interfax news agency cited an aviation industry source as saying.

The Boeing plane was flying from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur, it said.

Reuters could not immediately confirm the report.

The Interfax report said the plane came down 50 km (20 miles) short of entering Russian airspace.

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