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**MEDIA STATEMENT**  
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**CHAIRMAN OF CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF MALAYSIA**

**RESIGNATION OF OFFICE AS CHAIRMAN**

The Malaysian ICAO Annex 13 Safety Investigation Team for MH370 ('Team') has on 30 July 2018 released the MH370 Safety Investigation Report ('Report') outlining factual information, analysis, conclusion and safety recommendations based on their findings.

While the Report does not suggest that the accident is caused by the Department of Civil Aviation ('DCA') then, nevertheless, there are some very apparent findings with regards to the operations of the Kuala Lumpur Air Traffic Control Centre (KLATSC); where it was stated that the Air Traffic Controller did not comply with certain Standard Operating Procedures.

Therefore, it is with regret and after much thought and contemplation that I have decided to resign as the Chairman of Civil Aviation Authority of Malaysia ('CAAM') effective fourteen (14) days from the date of the resignation notice which I have served today.

Over the past four (4) years, I have tried my level best to assist in the search for MH370 and I am ever resolute in finding answers we all seek towards this unfortunate tragedy as we owe it to the families and loved ones. I am saddened to have to leave under these circumstances.

Serving the industry for more than forty (40) years has been the greatest honour of my life and I apologise for not being able to fulfil the remainder

of my tenure. Aviation has been a core part of my life since childhood and it will remain so for the rest of my life.

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