

# FINDING MH370

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### SECTION 1 – OBJECT FINDINGS OVERVIEW

#### DECLARATION OF THE FIND

I believe that I may have discovered the final resting place of the missing Malaysia Airlines aircraft, Flight MH370 that disappeared on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2014, carrying 239 souls (227 passengers and 12 crew).

Information regarding this find is available at [www.foundmh370.com](http://www.foundmh370.com), est., 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR (ME)

I hold a Bachelor of Engineering Degree (Electronics) from the University Of South Australia and am currently employed as a Systems Engineer for an Adelaide-based engineering company with whom I have been happily employed with for the past 25+ years. I have had a fascination for planes from a young age, and was very shocked by the disappearance of the Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 last March. So much so, that I have been following most media reports about this tragedy ever since it began.

#### HOW I FOUND THE OBJECT

Earlier this week I revisited what I felt was pertinent and crucial objective information from several past and recent MH370 media reports that led me to postulate a possible flight path of the aircraft after contact was lost with it and where it may have finally come to rest. On Wednesday (8<sup>th</sup> April 2015) whilst home analysing my findings with the aid of satellite imagery, I was amazed to discover a visual of a light-coloured object that resembles the shape of an aircraft located under the waters of the Indian Ocean in my targeted search location. I took various screen captures of the object and further analysed the images and concluded it highly likely that this object is the missing Malaysia Airlines plane MH370. (Refer to Section 2 for the detailed analysis of crucial information.)

#### SATELLITE IMAGES OF THE OBJECT AND MY ANALYSIS

I have included several images below of the object (from Section 2). After studying these images as best as possible (given the image resolution), I made the following observations:-

- a) Refer Figure 1:- this is one of my screen captures where I have adjusted the brightness and contrast settings to accentuate the object further. The object is predominantly white (or light in colour) and has a distinct near symmetrical “cross-like” appearance, which I conclude to be a central fuselage with a tail on the left end, and wings on either side.

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- b) The object itself, assuming it is the aircraft, seems to be remarkably intact (hence perhaps partially explains why no MH370 debris has been found to date?). This suggests to me that the aircraft may have entered the waters gracefully on its “belly” at a low speed and a shallow angle of entry.

**FIGURE 1: Screen Capture – Google Earth Image with Brightness & Contrast levels adjusted**

**THIS IS ONE OF MY CLEAREST IMAGES OF THE OBJECT – Resembles a plane with a main central fuselage body, two side appendages, a nose (right appendage) and a tail assembly**



The following observations with reference to Figure 2a:-

- c) The object may be lying slightly tilted to one side and the right engine/wing appears to be detached from the remainder of the body. I believe the engines are also apparent on the shape at a certain image zoom level. (Zoom out trial and error was required to observe some of these features. Zooming too far in – Object is just a blur. )

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- d) The second most convincing factor (the object location itself being the first) that leads me to conclude this must be the missing MH370 jet, is the object's size. Measuring the size of the object using the Figure 2a image (use map's scale and a ruler), the approximate dimensions of the object measure to be about 60m long by 55/60m wide. These dimensions are in fact consistent with those of a Boeing 777 Series 200ER that by design specification has a Wing Span of 61m and Body Length of 64m. MH370 was this model aircraft.

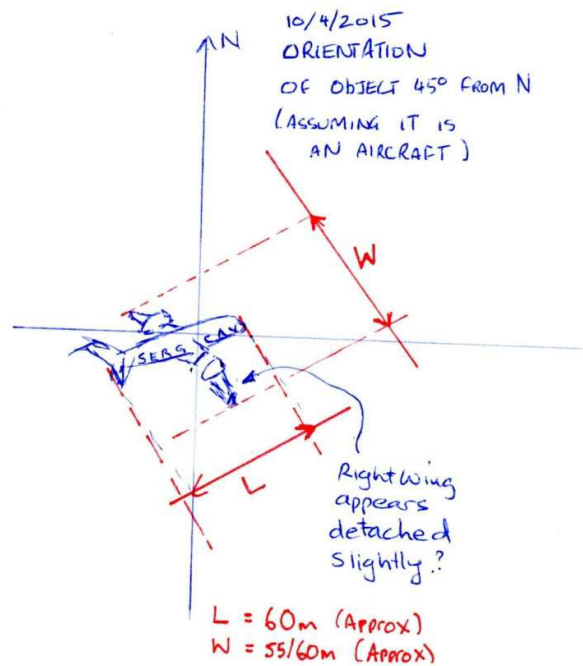
**FIGURE 2A: Screen Capture – Google Earth Image showing Object (Side/top view)**



**FIGURE 2B:**

**Sketch of apparent Aircraft Orientation**

The orientation of the “aircraft-like” object appears to be such that the nose of the aircraft is pointing about 45 degrees relative to map North (up). See free hand sketch.

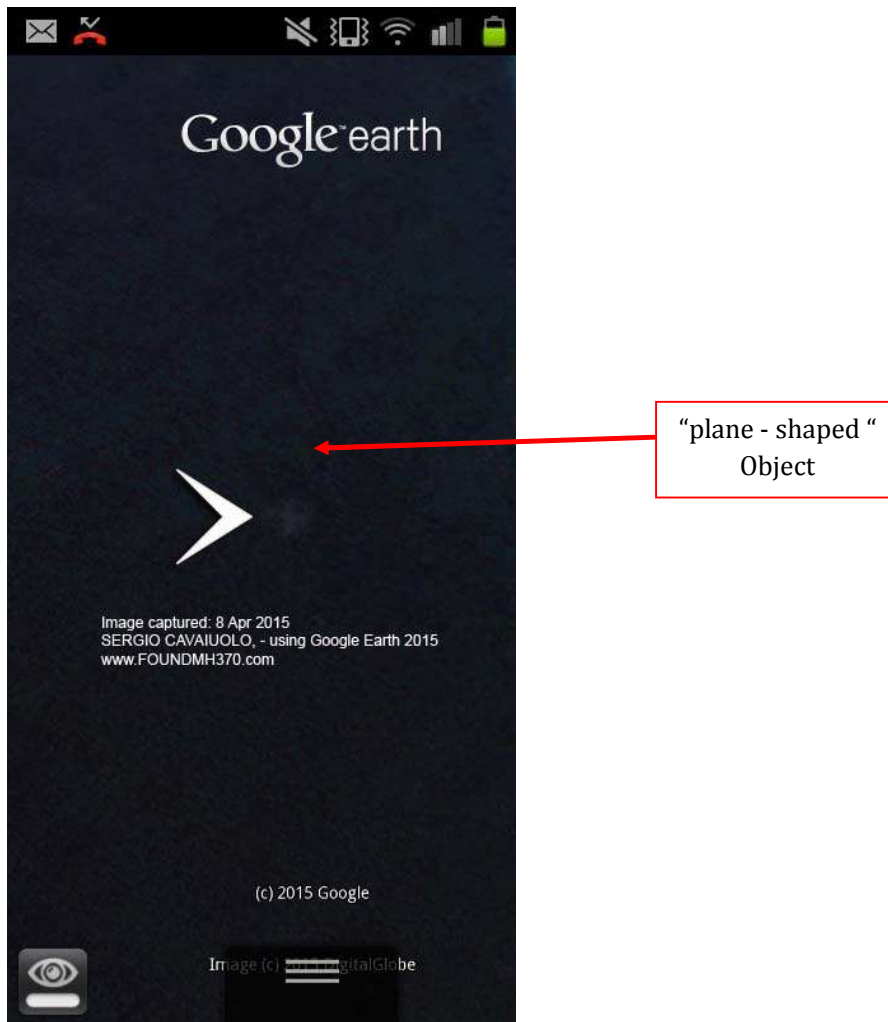




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**FIGURE 3: Screen Capture – Google Earth Image (Aircraft front view)**

Figure 3 is a view looking down the nose of the fuselage with the engines visible on either side. (The long solid central fuselage with the wing engines, is very distinct when I view the original source image using my mobile phone screen.)



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## SUMMARY & CONCLUSION

The object I have discovered, and concluded to possibly be the missing Malaysia Airlines (MA) Flight MH370, is located in the waters approximately <deleted text>, on a bearing of <deleted text>, refer Figure 4. The geographical location of the object as detailed in Section 2 is Lat/Long: (<deleted text>).

<deleted text> is located in the <deleted text> of the Maldives and is the nearest inhabited land mass to this object. Note also that the object location is approximately <deleted text> of Kuda Huvadhoo, the island where residence reported observing a low-flying aircraft on the morning of 8<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

The object itself appears to be remarkably in one piece with possibly one of the appendages broken, which may explain why very little debris has been found to date for MH370. Sadly, whilst still reasonably intact, if this object is MH370, it is submerged under water. <deleted text>

Section 2 of this report is my detailed analysis and identifies crucial information, my postulations and assumptions that led me to search in a specific area and ultimately locate what I believe to be the final resting place of missing flight MH370. In particular, there are key specific objective facts presented that supports my finding:

- (i) The geographical location of this object is consistent with the last reported sightings of a low flying "jumbo jet" over the Maldives.
- (ii) The object is light in colour (white), the shape of the object resembles that of an aircraft, and the size of the object is approximately 60m x 55/60m (as best measured on my screen captures). This size is consistent with the size of a Boeing 777-200ER (Same aircraft type as was MH370).
- (iii) The object itself appears to be remarkably intact – almost whole! -Suggesting the aircraft may have entered the waters gracefully on its “belly” at a low speed and a shallow angle of entry – Almost like a ‘controlled landing’, but on water. (This also would partially explain why no MH370 debris has been found to date?).
- (iv) The last satellite handshake communication timestamp (01:15UTC) by the aircraft with the ground station correlates with the timing of the last observed visual sightings of the aircraft over the Maldives. Maldives sightings occurred around 6:15am Maldives local time on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2014 which corresponds to 01:15UTC.

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Note also that after the 01:15UTC satellite handshake, there were no further handshake communications by the aircraft with the satellite ground station.

- (v) Given there were no further satellite handshakes after (01:15UTC), and considering the time of the visual sightings, and also given the location of this object I have found, my analysis estimates that the aircraft (/MH370) would have likely entered the water at around 6:30am Maldives local time (01:30UTC). Note: There is potentially at least a +15min error in this time estimate due to the actual time of the reported Maldives sighting having a small variation across different media articles.

It is imperative that this object be investigated further as soon as possible by the relevant stakeholders to determine if in fact it is the missing MH370 aircraft. If it proves true, my discovery will provide a significant advancement towards recovery of the aircraft, but also closure for the families and friends of loved ones lost in the tragedy, Malaysia Airlines, and for the large scale search effort currently in progress by the coordinated efforts of the Malaysian and Australian Governments and the Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB). I would recommend a small task force to further investigate this object. If this object is truly the missing MH370 aircraft, then not only will this find save the Australian, Malaysian and Chinese Governments considerable pledged funding towards this search, but will aid to unraveling the mystery of what occurred on flight MH370 by way of prompt retrieval of the aircraft and black boxes, but most importantly the recovery of the unfortunate souls on board.

In closing, I believe this object may well be the missing Malaysia Airlines Flight MH370. If it proves true, then it is an incredible find to have been the first person to discover its location. As an Australian engineer, I am also very pleased to have made this contribution towards assisting the Australian-Lead search efforts. If indeed this object is MH370, then I believe the search phase for MH370 is imminently over, and the exercise is about to become a recovery effort.

This is very exciting.

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