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Musa expresses condolences to UMS lecturer's family

KOTA KINABALU: Sabah Chief Minister Datuk Seri Musa Haji Aman yesterday expressed his condolences to the family of Malaysia Airlines, flight MH17 crash victim and Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) lecturer Ng Shi Ing.

In his latest Facebook entry, Musa noted the arrival of Ng's remains in Malaysia yesterday morning and hoped for strength for her family in their sorrow.

"As UMS Pro Chancellor, I share the family's grief and anguish," he said.

The urn containing Ng's ashes has been sent to Xiao En Bereavement Care in Cheras, Kuala Lumpur, where the ashes of her sister Elisabeth Ng Lyeti, who perished with her were also being kept.

Elisabeth's remains were among those of 20 other victims which arrived home in Malaysia two days ago.

The siblings' family is awaiting arrival of the remains of Ng's one-year-old son, Benjamin Lee

Jian Han before proceeding with the funeral.

Ng, a TESL lecturer with UMS Psychology and Education Faculty, had attended a conference at the University of Antwerp in Belgium to present a working paper before returning home with her sister and son on MH17.

Meanwhile, the faculty's dean, Prof Dr Ismail Ibrahim described Ng who joined UMS on Sept 19, 2011, as "irreplaceable".

He said Ng was involved in several research projects worth more than RM480,000, of which five had already been completed.

According to Ismail, Ng and her fellow researchers won five gold medals for their projects in the 'Pereka UMS' competition in 2011, followed by other achievements at national and international exhibitions.

MH17 carrying 298 passengers and crew from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur crashed on July 17 after being shot down at Donetsk, eastern Ukraine. - Bernama