

Accordingly, the Canadian Ambassador made additional representations to the Venezuelan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and other Venezuelan authorities involved, to augment the search activity.

As a result, in addition to the measures taken earlier, on January 15 the Venezuelan Coast Guard ordered two of its naval vessels on special alert for evidence of the accident. At that time, the Canadian Ambassador also asked the Venezuelan authorities to undertake a more active search of the area by air.

On Monday, January 16, the Commander of the Venezuelan coast guard confirmed to Canada's Ambassador that a helicopter from one of the naval vessels was being dedicated to rechecking the area in question.

On January 17, our Ambassador in Caracas was informed that the Venezuelan authorities would continue the search for one more day in order to completely cover the relevant waters under their jurisdiction.

Unfortunately, this effort found no sign of the Long Shot or its missing passengers and the Venezuelans terminated their active search at dusk on January 17.