Ministry reports 7 new infections

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GEORGE TOWN: Seven new cases of influenza A (H1N1) were reported yesterday, bringing to 112 the total confirmed cases in the country.

Health Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai said of the seven, one was a locally transmitted case involving a 4-year-old boy from Penang, the son of the 79th victim, a 38-year-old stewardess.

The boy was treated at the Penang Hospital and is reported to be in a stable condition.

This brings to 16, the number of locally transmitted cases.

Liow said of the remaining six cases, two were foreign nationals, an Australian and an Irish woman.

"The six 'imported' cases had visited influenza A-infected areas such as Sydney, Melbourne and Cambodia," he said at a press conference here yesterday after attending the 66th Malaysian Dental Association annual general meeting and scientific convention and trade exhibition yesterday.

Liow said the 106th case was a 33-year-old woman from Ireland who was on a holiday in Malaysia with her husband. The couple arrived at Kuala Lumpur International Airport on flight MH122 on June 23.

She is warded at the Kuala Lumpur Hospital.

The ministry had identified six contacts and they have been placed under home quarantine, while the other flight passengers were being tracked down.

The 107th case was a 20year-old female Malaysian student who arrived home from Melbourne for a holiday.

The 108th case, a 26-yearold male Malaysian student, also returned home from Melbourne for a holiday.

A 11-year-old boy from Australia who had gone for a holiday with his father to Cambodia was the 109th case.

The 110th case was a 22year-old female Malaysian who returned home after a holiday in Australia while the



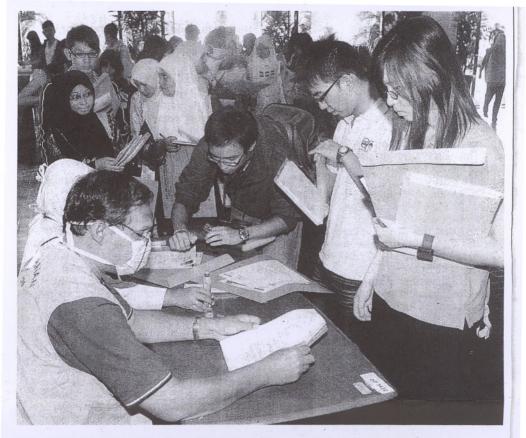
112th case was a 27-year-old male Malaysian working in Australia.

"We have tracked down all their contacts and placed them under home quarantine.

"Generally, the situation in the country is still under control."

To date, there are 41 victims in hospitals nationwide while another 71 have been discharged.

LATEST CASES between June 26 and June 27 (8am)					
		Transport	Seat	Country of Infection	Date
1	Irish woman, 33	MH122	38B	Ireland	June 26
2	Female student, 20	D72725, AK5374	Row 36	Australia	June 26
3	Male student, 26	MH128	370	Australia	June 26
4	Australian boy, 11	At KLIA in transit to Melbourne		Cambodia	June 26
5	Female student, 22	At Changi in transit to KLIA	18A	Australia	June 26
6	Male, 27	MH122, MH1194	-	Australia	June 26
7	Boy, 4	-		Malaysia (Penang)	June 26



Universiti Putra Malaysia health centre staff assisting new students as they fill out health declaration forms during the university's registration day yesterday. As a preventive measure, all new students at UPM will have to undergo health screening before registering.