

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Patrol (Anti-submarine Patrol)

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Digby aircraft 744 took-off at 0840 hours (GMT) from Gander, Newfoundland, on an authorized operational flight east of Newfoundland. The A/C failed to return. No visual or radio contact was made with A/C from the time of take-off. An extensive search was made for the missing A/C and crew but no trace of either was found. It is reasonable to suppose that A/C is lost or totally PRIMARY CAUSE: damaged and occupants dead.

Unknown

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Court of Inquiry *MK*

DATE: 2-1-42

COMPOSITION:

Pres. W.C. S.W. Coleman C117 No. 1 Group Hq.
Mem. S.L. C.G. Ruttan C871 No.10 (BR) Squadron
F.L. J.M. Young C939 No.10 (BR) Squadron
Mr. P.D. McTaggart-Cowan Dept. of transport Bldg. Airport.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Nil

ACTION TAKEN:

(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

NIL

CONCLUSION OF A.I.B.

AIRCRAFT ON ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROL FOR CONVOY EAST OF NEWFOUNDLAND FAILED TO RETURN FOR REASONS UNKNOWN, BUT PROBABLY DUE TO ICING CONDITIONS.

NOTE: THIS ACCIDENT HAPPENED 5 MONTHS AGO AND NO TRACE OF MISSING AIRCRAFT AND CREW HAS BEEN FOUND.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

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