

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Formation practice.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

COURT OF INQUIRY

INK/CN ✓

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Flying in line astern formation when A/C FE387 went into shallow dive and burst into flames on crashing.

DATE: 22-9-42.

COMPOSITION:

F/L Ormston, I.C. No. 1 O.T.U. Bagotville.
Reopened by: F/O Corbet, G.H. No. 1 O.T.U. Bagotville.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Impress all pilots with necessity of bailing out after engine failure over impossible country.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

Obscure.

Evidence suggests breach of low flying regulations.

Out of Control
(19)

ACTION TAKEN:

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

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF ANY STRUCTURAL OR MECHANICAL FAILURE OF A/C. RATHER THE EVIDENCE TENDS TO THE CONTRARY IN AS MUCH AS THIS A/C HAD BEEN FLOWN BY SGT. KLIMENKO JUST PRIOR TO THE FLIGHT IN WHICH HE CRASHED. THERE IS EVIDENCE HOWEVER OF LOW FLYING IN THE STATEMENT OF THE CIVILIAN. IT IS REGRETTABLE THAT THE PASSENGER IN SGT. BUCK'S A/C WAS NOT QUESTIONED ALONG THIS LINE.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

Fire - ~~initial~~
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CHECKED BY _____

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