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 JU TECH. DISOBN. NEG'NCE INEXP'NCE MISCELL. INSTRUNCT. FLT. CONTR. OTHERS PRIMARY FL. CONTRS. MOV. SURFS. STAB. SURFS. W. STRUTS. LAND GEAR FLOATS FUSE. OR HULL TAIL SKID OR W. ENGINE MOUNT. MISCCL. UNDTD PRIMARY FUEL SYS. COOL SYS. IGNIT. SYS. LUB'N SYS. ENG. STR. AIRSCREW A. ENG. CONTRS. MISCELL. UNDTD

PILOT	OTHERS	AIRFRAME FAILURE	ENGINE FAILURE
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CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS

UNIT 1 O.T.U. Bagotville, P.Q.	COM. E	PLACE P.Q. Between St. Anne & St. Honoré	DATE 16-2-43 TIME 1610 Q. FILE 1700-5444
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A/C TYPE Hurricane IIB Hurricane IIB	No. 5644 D 5444	CRASH CAT. A A	SE X X	ME	DAY X	NIGHT
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NAME	RANK	No.	DUTY	INJURIES		SERIOUS	
				FATAL	INJURY	FATAL	INJURY
Gilson, A.I. A/C 5444	F/O	J12698	Pt.	Killed			
Gagnon, E.C. A/C 5644	F/O	J4865	Pt.	Killed		2	

TYPE A/F & ENGINE	No.	EXTENT OF DAMAGE	REPORT FORM	SERIAL No.	DATE	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					LAST 6 MOS.	
						INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL		
								DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO	
Hurr 'n IIB	5444	Total										
Hurr 'n IIB	5644	Total										
Merlin AC4148108		Total										
Merlin A265532		Total										

SIGNAL No. & DATE A 178 16-2-43	UNIT No. & DATE	COM. No. & DATE	REPORT	FILE	DATE
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NATURE OF ACCIDENT

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 INJURY 3RD. INJ. FATAL STATRY FLIGHT TAKEOFF LANDING TAXIING PRIMARY UNDTD OTHER ALG SURF. DRKNS. WEATHER INSTS. HANDS. MISCELLANEOUS CAUSES

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Formation & attacks @ 12000 ft.

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

DATE: 21 Feb./43

INVESTIGATING OFFICER

S.L. Nicholas, P.A., #34 OTU.

COMPOSITION:

Collided with another plane
in mid air.

12A/PCU ✓
12A/PCU/1XA ✓

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Nil

Nil

While making attacks on each other
at 12,000 ft. one a/c collided with
the other, resulting in the total
destruction of both a/c & pilots.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~26. Collision in the air.~~

(21)

~~That during a practice dog fight
between 2 a/c, an error in judgment
made by the pilot of the attacking
a/c in that he got too close in
his attack & failed to realize
his own high forward speed.~~

ACTION TAKEN:

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

~~21 Collision - 12/6~~
SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. (#847)

Mid-air collision. Error in judgment
on part of one of the pilots while engaging
in an authorized attack practice.

NOTE: It is considered that the pilot
of 5644, F.O. Gagnon, who is missing,

may reasonably be presumed dead.

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DATE