

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Armament exercise.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

FM/AOC/PSP/A/E/EF/EM/D/L/AE/GE

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C appeared to pancake very hard,
after fire occurred in the air.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2080

Investigated by Flight Lieutenant J.L.Dexter:

Defective starter switch caused fire. Pupil
pancaked during forced landing.

Pilot allowed airspeed to decrease on approach during
forced landing and stalled a/c, crashing into ground.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

Agree with the findings.

Note: Starting and engaging switch in Harvard are
not considered adequate for the job. Substitute
being investigated when necessary modification
action will be taken.

CLASSIFICATION:

~~33. Technical defect.~~

4. Heavy

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SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

~~27. Fire in the air.~~

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~~40. Heavy landing - flying into ground.~~

28. Fire - In Air

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil