

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Night Cross Country.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

ZLC 6/10/43 16

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

A/C lost returning from Pat Bay to Tofino via Straits of Juan de Fuca at night. This area overcast at 3000 ft. Weather conditions at tofin CAVU.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No. 2369

CAUSE: Due to pilot error, not flying at a safe height over existing terrain and struck trees on a peak approx. 3500' high and crashed on peak 200' lower.

Recommendations: That all a/c make W/T contact with signals section on leaving local flying area of any station no matter how short the flight and carry out same procedure as on patrols, that is, a position report once an hour thereafter.

When ops. room in W.A.C. informed the signal sect. of all flights including familiarization and Nav. exercise so that signal section know when a/c from their Unit are in the air and can be on the alert for any messages.

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B. : See Summary No.2369.

CLASSIFICATION:

~~Confidential~~

22 Collisions - photos (22)
SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

ACTION TAKEN: