

ACCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

UNIT 10 BR Sqdn. Gander, Nfld.	COM. E	PLA R.C.A.F. Stn. Torbay, Nfld.	DATE 23-12-44 TIME 0235Z
A/C TYPE LIBERATOR V		NO. 596	H.Q. FILE 1100-5-96
		CRASH CAT. "C"	S.E. M.E. DAY NIGHT X X

PERSONNEL	RANK	NUMBER	DUTY	INJURIES	SIGNAL	
CHEATER, A.P.V. DFC	F/L	J9135	P	Uninj.	NO. T.116	DATE 24-12
WALKER, B.J.,	F/O	J22256	S/P	Uninj.	D 14 (REVISED)	
McDONALD, R.H.,	WO1	R111175	Nav.	Uninj.	NO.	CHECKED
CARTER, C.S.	F/O	J46895	WAG	Uninj.	1	
KOSTIUK, H. W.,	WO1	R121631	WAG	Uninj.	3	
ARCHER, S.S.W.,	Sgt.	R107529	WAG	Uninj.		
REEVES, W.E.	Sgt.	R72760	F/Eng	Uninj.		

ENGINE	ENGINE NUMBER (S)	HOURS FLOWN BY PILOTS					
		INST.	NIGHT	ON TYPE		TOTAL	
				DUAL	SOLO	DUAL	SOLO
P & W 1830-43	3511/70857 Undamaged						
	3512/70878 "	290	427	4	1300	82	2418
	3513/71013 "	107	186	19	450	116	1555
	3604/300350 "						

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STAGE OF FLIGHT
FORCED LANDING
TAXIING
LANDING
SHUT-OFF
RUBBY
FATAL
SER. INJ.
NON SER. INJ.

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT:

Operations returning to Base after diversion.

TECHNICAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

Failure of nose wheel shimmy damper during take-off

NATURE OF ACCIDENT:

OUC / UTWF

All engines functioned properly on take-off and A/C proceeded down runway.

COURT OF INQUIRY OR INVESTIGATING OFFICER'S REPORT:

Speed approx. 100mph. A/C swerved violently to Port. Full rudder and 7° right

FINDINGS:

SUMMARY No.

Rudder trim had no effect, #3 & #4 engines were cut, Port wheel hit snowbank 4' inside Flare pgt, Both main wheels were completely off runway, nose wheel broke off a/c skidded along on nose, all engines were cut and Pilot got a/c back on runway before it stopped, no injury to crew. A/C abandoned.

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12. Swung

SECONDARY OR CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS:

35. U/C Defect

ACTION TAKEN:

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