

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Formation flying practise

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

Three aircraft flying in vic formation. Anson 2209 on left swung over to right apparently to form echelon without orders and came up under and struck Anson 6126 and then dived into ground.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

UNAUTHORIZED CHANGE IN THE POSITIONS OF AIRCRAFT FLYING IN FORMATION

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

PILOT UNABLE TO CONTROL AIRCRAFT AND IT CRASHED INTO THE GROUND.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

COURT OF INQUIRY

DATE: 13-6-41

COMPOSITION:

PRESIDENT - S/L RICHER B.D.

MEMBER - F/L PEARCE, F.H.

MEMBER - F/O CAREY, R.F.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT THE IMPORTANCE BE STRESSED THROUGHOUT COMMAND OF USING CLEAR SIGNALS AND REPEATING SIGNALS BEFORE CHANGING A FORMATION IN THE AIR.

ACTION TAKEN:

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

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CHECKED BY _____ DATE _____