

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

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2259Z 28 DEC 65

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TO : DIRECTOR 25X1A

FROM : []

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1. AIRCRAFT NO. 126 DESTROYED IN ACCIDENT ON TAKEOFF. OFFICIAL TIME OF ACCIDENT IS 2055Z/28 DECEMBER. FOLLOWING IS OFFICIAL WEATHER OBSERVATION AT TIME OF ACCIDENT: 6500 FEET SCATTERED, 13000 FEET BROKEN, HIGH OVERCAST, VISIBILITY 15 MILES, TEMPERATURE 40 DEGREES FARENHEIT, DEWPOINT 27 DEGREES FARENHEIT, WINDS 090 DEGREES MAGNETIC AT 02 KNOTS. ALTIMETER SETTING 29.89, PRESSURE ALT 4491 FEET, RUNWAY CONDITION DRY. LAKERED GENERALLY COVERED WITH A SHEET OF ICE. FORECAST WEATHER FOR FLIGHT GIVEN AT BRIEFING: FOR TAKEOFF; TEMPERATURE 41 DEGREES FARENHEIT, PRESSURE ALTITUDE 4460 FEET; SURFACE WINDS GUSTY GENERALLY FROM 200 DEGREES AVERAGE 5 KNOTS GUSTS TO 12 KNOTS WITH INTERMITTENT CONDITIONS OF 15 KNOTS GUSTS TO 28 KNOTS.

2. GROSS WEIGHT 118,300 POUNDS, TAKEOFF C.G. 20.9 PERCENT. LEFT ENGINE NBR 224 WITH FROSTY HAMILTON STANDARD FUEL CONTROL, RIGHT ENGINE NBR 255 WITH LATE BENDIX FUEL CONTROL. PURPOSE OF FLIGHT WAS A PERFORMANCE CHECK FLIGHT AFTER "GOODIE MODIFICATIONS" AND A BEACON

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CHECK AGAINST AN AIRBORNE KC-135.

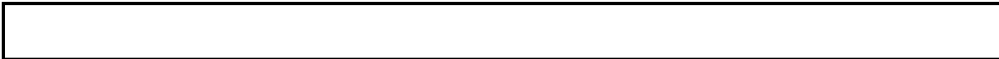
3. FOLLOWING ACTIONS HAVE BEEN AND ARE BEING TAKEN:

A. ALL RECORDS, PILOT TRAINING, MEDICAL AND AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN IMPOUNDED.

B. HAVE OBTAINED TAPED STATEMENT OF PILOT, CHASE PILOT, AND MOBILE CONTROL OFFICER (ALL PROJECT PILOTS). OBTAINING STATEMENTS FROM TOWER AND FIRE PERSONNEL AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL. HAVE OBTAINED STATEMENTS FROM TDY KC-135 PILOT AND CO-PILOT WHO WITNESSED ACCIDENT. ACCIDENT SCENE UNDER GUARD WITH NO ACCESS BEING PERMITTED. PICTURES FROM AIR AND ON GROUND TAKEN. COCKPIT CAMERAS LOCATED AND HAVING FILM DEVELOPED.

C. HAVE TALKED WITH DIG SAFETY, NORTON AFB, AND AM SFNDING DC-3 TO NORTON AFB TO DEPART THERE AT 1700 LOCAL TODAY WITH 6 MEMBERS OF TEAM. PERSONNEL AS FOLLOWS: TEAM CHIEF, [REDACTED]

Passport TAPS

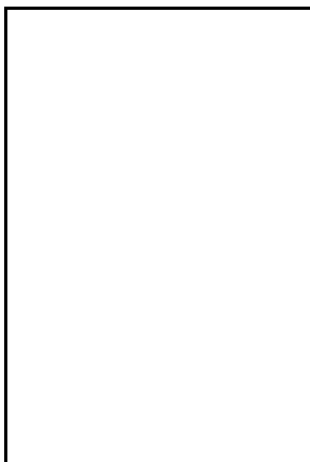


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