

MINISTRY OF WORKS, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION

AIRCRAFT INCIDENT REPORT

REF: INCID/112903/14-101

Category 1.2

Aircraft Type, Registration and Serial No:

Cessna 414 ZS-LZD/4140619

No and Type of Engines

Two Continental TSIO 520J

Year of Manufacture

1974

Date and Time (UTC)

29th November 2003, 0900 hrs

Location

Rundu Airport Taxiway

Type of Flight

Private

Persons on Board

Crew - 2

Passengers - Nil

Injuries

Crew - Nil

Passengers - Nil

Nature of Damage

Commander's License

Propellers, Nose wheel, Undercarriage

Commander's Age

33 years and 8 months

Commander's Flying Experience

CPL

First Officer's Flying Experience

2.400 hours

(co-pilot) not applicable not required for this type of

aircraft

Information Source

Incident Report

NB: The explanation page for accident incident reports forms a part of this report

INTRODUCTION

1.0 FACTUAL INFORMATION

The aircraft was on a ferry flight from South Africa to Namibia with a first stop at Eros Airport. This flight was undertaken by a Instructor from South Africa together with the two Angolan Pilots. According to the pilot, the left brake were in-operative, therefore the aircraft could not be stopped before if left the taxiway.

On the first leg from Lazeria to Eros Airport the instructor converted the Angolan pilots to this type of aircraft. The next flight from Eros to Rundu was undertaken by both Angolans. The Angolan Crew made a night stop at Rundu and refueled the aircraft next morning continue flight to Luanda in

Angola. The taxiway to the holding point for take-off, the pilot lost directional control of the aircraft and it went out of the taxiway into the soft sandy area. When the nose wheel entered the sandy area, the nose landing gear collapsed and both propellers contacted the ground. The propellers were damaged and the aircraft sustained substantial damages.

2.0 ANALYSIS

The pilot lost directional control of the aircraft while taxiing and went into the soft area at the airport in Rundu. The pilot did not have a valid South African license. This flight in the Namibian Airspace from Eros to Rundu and Rundu to Angola was undertaken by the pilot with a valid Angolan Pilot License.

3.0 CONCLUSION

The directional control loss caused the aircraft to leave the taxiway and entered into a sandy (soft) area which resulted in the collapse of the nose gear and subsequent damage of the cone and propeller blades.

4.0 SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

- i. It is recommended that pilots should not taxying to fast on the taxiway.
- ii. It is recommended that pilots should not fly any aircraft without validation from the aircraft's state of registry.



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