

(Complete on all individuals with physical, psychological or physiological trauma. Give detailed injury description to include exact location and extent. Under item 4 include equipment failure and phase of accident, if applicable.)

SECTION C - FLIGHT SURGEON'S ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

(CONTINUED ON ATTACHED SHEET)

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ROOF DOWNWARD AND CAUSED THE TRAUMA TO THE MR. HOLDITCH AND SFC TOVEY. SP4 SCHNIEDER WAS THROWN CLEAR OF THE AIRCRAFT DURING THE ROLLING MOTIONS AND RENDERED UNCONSCIOUS BY THE CONCUSSION HE SUFFERED ON IMPACT WITH THE WATER, BUT DROWNING CAUSED HIS DEATH. MR. HOLDITCH AND SFC TOVEY BOTH EXPERIENCED HIGH DECLERATIVE FORCES BUT SINCE THEY WERE DISTRIBUTED OVER THE ENTIRE BODY THEY WERE WITHIN HUMAN TOLERANCES. I BELIEVE THAT BOTH MEN WERE KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS AND DIED MINUTES LATER OF DROWNING. SINCE THE BODIES WERE NOT EXAMINED BY ME WHILE STILL IN THE AIRCRAFT, A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THE INJURIES IS NOT POSSIBLE. MATERIAL FAILURE HAS NOT BEEN RULED OUT COMPLETELY AND CERTAIN COMPONENTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED FOR ANALYSIS TO HELP DETERMINE THIS.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

CLOSER MONITORING FOR SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF FATIGUE BY COMMANDERS AT ALL LEVELS. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE NOT ONLY HOURS FLOWN BUT TOTAL HOURS WORKED AND EVEN BEHAVIOR CHANGES.

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