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26 May 2009
FOIA reference: F0000835

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing in respect of your recent application of 25 April 2009, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority.

Your request:

"A list of all fatal air accidents involving UK registered aircraft, in which 6 or more people died, which occurred between 1970 & today, including the following data fields:

*Date
Registration
Aircraft type
Location
Number of fatalities"*

In assessing your request in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are pleased to be able to provide the information below.

The CAA's Mandatory Occurrence Reporting (MOR) Scheme is intended to record reportable occurrences which endangered or which, if not corrected, would have endangered an aircraft, its occupants or any other person. We have searched the CAA database for all fatal air accidents involving UK registered aircraft in which six or more people died. As the MOR database was set up in 1976, we have produced a summary table of the relevant reports from 1976 to 21 May 2009 inclusive.
(See attachment).

Accident reports dated between 1970 and 1976 can be accessed at the CAA library at the address below here in Aviation House, Gatwick airport. Directions to Aviation House can be found on our website www.caa.co.uk. Please contact our library staff if you wish to make an appointment, in order that they have any relevant material available for your visit (01293 573725).

If you are unhappy with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you may approach the Freedom of Information Case Manager in writing at:-

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Aviation House
Gatwick Airport South
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The CAA has a formal internal review process for dealing with appeals or complaints in connection with Freedom of Information requests. The key steps in this process are set in the attachment.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner at:-

Information Commissioner's Office
FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk/complaints.aspx

Should you wish to make further Freedom of Information requests, please use the e-form at <http://www.caa.co.uk/foi>.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rick Chatfield', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Rick Chatfield
FOIA & EIR Case Manager

CAA INTERNAL REVIEW & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

- The original case to which the appeal or complaint relates is identified and the case file is made available;
- The appeal or complaint is allocated to an Appeal Manager, the appeal is acknowledged and the details of the Appeal Manager are provided to the applicant;
- The Appeal Manager reviews the case to understand the nature of the appeal or complaint, reviews the actions and decisions taken in connection with the original case and takes account of any new information that may have been received. This will typically require contact with those persons involved in the original case and consultation with the CAA Legal Department;
- The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and with the CAA Legal Department, agrees on the course of action to be taken;
- The Appeal Manager prepares the necessary response and collates any information to be provided to the applicant;
- The response and any necessary information is sent to the applicant, together with information about further rights of appeal to the Information Commissioners Office, including full contact details.

Occurrence Number	Date Of Occurrence	Aircraft Type	Aircraft Registration	Phase Of Flight	Location Of Occurrence	Fatalities
197603298	27/07/1976	Piper PA23	G-AYSF	Cruise	LOCH SKEEN	6
197604033	10/09/1976	Trident 3B	G-AWZT	Cruise	ZAGREB	176
197701768	14/05/1977	B707	G-BEBP	Approach	LUSAKA	6
197902296	08/06/1979	Cessna 337 Turbo Skymaster	G-ATNY	Cruise	MOUNT MOEL	6
197903100	31/07/1979	HS748	G-BEKF	Take Off	SUMBURGH (SUM)	17
198000515	16/02/1980	Britannia	G-BRAC	Climb	12NW BOSTON	7
198001358	25/04/1980	B727	G-BDAN	Hold	TENERIFE	146
198002337	02/07/1980	Prospector	G-AOZO	Climb	ASHFORD	6
198102509	13/08/1981	Wessex	G-ASWI	Cruise	NORTH SEA	13
198202646	14/09/1982	Bell 212	G-BDIL	Cruise	MURCHISON	6
198301880	16/07/1983	Sikorsky S61	G-BEON	Cruise	ST MARYS NR	20
198303563	08/12/1983	Cessna C500 Citation	G-UJES	Approach	Stormway (STN) NR	10
198402514	19/08/1984	Varsity	G-BDFT	Cruise	MARCHINGTON	11
198502815	22/08/1985	B737	G-BGJL	Take Off	MANCHESTER (MCT)	55
198600990	08/04/1986	SA355 Ecureuil Twin	G-BKIH	Cruise	SWALCLIFFE	6
198603733	06/11/1986	Chinook	G-BWFC	Descent	NORTH SEA	45
198702828	20/10/1987	Cessna 421 Golden Eagle	G-HAST	Initial Climb	STANSTED 2SW	6
198900005	08/01/1989	B737	G-OBME	Approach	KEGWORTH	47
199003279	25/07/1990	Sikorsky S61	G-BEWL	Landing	BRENT SPAR	6
199200749	14/03/1992	SA332 Super Puma	G-TIGH	Climb	NORTH SEA	11
199502022	24/05/1995	EMB 110 Bandeirante	G-OEAA	Initial Climb	Leeds Bradford (LBA) 6NE	12
199905929	03/09/1999	Cessna 404 Titan	G-ILGW	Initial Climb	Glasgow (GOW)	8
200204900	16/07/2002	Sikorsky S76	G-BJX	Approach	North Sea	11
200611599	27/12/2006	SA365 Dauphin	G-BLUN	Initial Climb	Morecambe Bay	7
200903003	01/04/2009	SA332 Super Puma	G-REDL	Cruise	North Sea	16

Occurrence Number	Prefitile
197603298	UK Reportable Accident : A/C HIT HIGH GROUND. DESTROYED BY FIRE.
197604033	Occurrence : REP ACC MID AIR COLLISION WITH DC9 AT FL330 176 KILLED
197701768	UK Reportable Accident : RH HORIZONTAL STABILIZER & ELEVATOR BECAME DETACHED. AIRCRAFT DIVED INTO GROUND.
197902296	UK Reportable Accident : A/C HIT HIGH GROUND IN SNOWDONIA.
197903100	Occurrence : NOTIF ACC A C OVERRAN R W END INTO SEA
198000515	Occurrence : NOTIF ACC CRASHED INTO WOOD SHORTLY AFTER T OFF
198001358	UK Reportable Accident : A/C HIT HIGH GROUND NEAR DESTINATION AIRPORT. ALL OCCUPANTS KILLED.
198002337	Occurrence : NOTIF ACC CRASHED AFTER T O 1 PILOT 5 PAX DEAD
198102509	UK REPORTABLE ACCIDENT : A/C CRASHED INTO SEA FOLLOWING LOSS OF ENGINE POWER TO MAIN ROTOR GEARBOX. ALL 13 POB KILLED.
198202646	UK REPORTABLE ACCIDENT : A/C COLLIDED WITH WATER. 6 FATALITIES. CAUSE NOT ESTABLISHED.
198301880	UK Reportable Accident : A/C CRASHED IN SEA 2NM EAST OF ST MARYS. 20 FATALITIES.
198303563	Occurrence : REP ACC CRASHED IN SEA NEAR STORNOWAY ALL TEN ON BOARD KILLED
198402514	UK Reportable Accident : NRT ENG FAILED & NR2 ENG LOST POWER. FIRE AFTER IMPACT. 2 CREW & 9 PAX KILLED.
198502815	UK Reportable Accident : UNCONTAINED LH ENGINE COMBUSTOR CAN FAILURE - FIRE, T/O ABORTED, 55 KILLED.
198600990	UK Reportable Accident : ENG FAIL. DISTRESS CALL. STRUCK LEVEL GRND. ALL 6 ON BOARD KILLED.
198603733	UK Reportable Accident : CRASHED IN SEA 1.5 MILES OFF SUMBURGH & SANK. 47 POB - 45 FATALITIES.
198702828	UK Reportable Accident : CRASHED & DESTROYED AFTER REPORTING PROBLEM & INTENDED RETURN. ALL 6 POB KILLED.
198900005	UK Reportable Accident : ENGINE PROBLEMS/VIBN/SMOKE NEAR TOC. DIVERTED, RH ENGINE SHUT DOWN, CRASHED ON APPROACH. 47 PAX KILLED. LH ENGINE FAN BLADE FAILED.
199003279	UK Reportable Accident : TAIL ROTOR STRUCK RIG STRUCTURE. A/C FELL INTO SEA & SANK. 6 FATALITIES.
199200749	UK Reportable Accident : A/C CRASHED INTO SEA & SANK KILLING 11 OF THE 17 PERSONS ON BOARD.
199502022	UK Reportable Accident : Crew reported instrumentation problem & intended return. A/c crashed whilst vectoring for priority approach. 12 POB fatal.
199905929	UK Reportable Accident : LH engine failed shortly after take off. A/c crashed and was destroyed by fire. 11 POB - 8 fatalities, 3 serious injuries.
200204900	The aircraft crashed into the sea and was destroyed following the failure of a main rotor blade. 11 POB fatal. AAIB Formal investigation.
200611599	UK Reportable Accident: Helicopter seen to descend into sea close to offshore platform. Seven POB fatal. AAIB Formal investigation.
200903003	UK Reportable Accident: A/c crashed into sea following gearbox failure and rotor head separation. 16 POB fatal. Subject to AAIB Formal investigation.