

National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Final Report

Location:	ANDROS IS, AO	Accident Number:	MIA82DA182
Date & Time:	08/06/1982, 0255 EDT	Registration:	N35PK
Aircraft:	BEECH 65	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Defining Event:		Injuries:	3 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

Analysis

WHILE EN ROUTE AT 9000 FT MSL AT NIGHT, THE RIGHT ENGINE REPORTEDLY LOST POWER AND WAS FEATHERED. THE PILOT REPORTED THAT THE LEFT ENGINE HAD A PARTIAL LOSS OF POWER AND THE AIRCRAFT WOULD NOT MAINTAIN ALTITUDE. COMMUNICATION WAS MAINTAINED WITH MIAMI CENTER UNTIL THE PILOT REPORTED DITCHING ABOUT 40 MILES SOUTH OF NASSAU, BAHAMAS. AT 0600, A U.S. NAVY VESSEL RESCUED THE PILOT AND TWO PASS ENGERS. THE AIRCRAFT WAS NOT RECOVERED FROM THE OCEAN.

Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF ENGINE POWER Phase of Operation: CRUISE - NORMAL

Findings 1. (C) AIRCRAFT PERFORMANCE,TWO OR MORE ENGINES - INOPERATIVE 2. (C) REASON FOR OCCURRENCE UNDETERMINED

Occurrence #2: FORCED LANDING Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Occurrence #3: DITCHING Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings

3. (F) LIGHT CONDITION - DARK NIGHT

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Flight Instructor; Commercial	Age:	21, Female
Airplane Rating(s):	Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land	Seat Occupied:	Unknown
Other Aircraft Rating(s):		Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	Airplane Multi-engine; Airplane Single-engine	Toxicology Performed:	
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	08/05/1981
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	2240 hours (Total, all aircraft), 21 hours (Total, this make and model), 1960 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 99 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	BEECH	Registration:	N35PK
Model/Series:	65 65	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:		Serial Number:	LC123
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	9
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	7700 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	0 Hours	Engines:	2 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	IGSO 480-A1B6
Registered Owner:	DESARROLLO N.Y. PANAMANIAN COR	Rated Power:	340 hp
Operator:	DESARROLLO N.Y. PANAMANIAN COR	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Night/Dark
Observation Facility, Elevation:	, 0 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	0 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	0000	Direction from Accident Site:	0 °
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 2000 ft agl	Visibility	10 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Unknown / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	13 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	180°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	/ 0°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	MIAMI, FL (OPF)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	IFR
Destination:	GREAT INAGUA (MY1G)	Type of Clearance:	
Departure Time:	0115	Type of Airspace:	

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Passenger Injuries:	2 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	3 None	Latitude, Longitude:	

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Re	Report Date:	08/06/1983
Additional Participating Persons:			
Publish Date:			
Investigation Docket:	NTSB accident and incident dockets serve as perm investigations. Dockets released prior to June 1, 2 Record Management Division at <u>pubing@ntsb.gov</u> , this date are available at <u>http://dms.ntsb.gov/pu</u>	2009 are publicly , or at 800-877-6	y available from the NTSB's

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