

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER TOC/ACC/PSF/N/I/AWI DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED: Tamiliarization flight. OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT: Court of Inquiry. NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT: DATE: COMPOSITION: 25-1-41 to 11-2-41 The aircraft was seen descending in a steep left hand spiral at Squadron Leader R.C. Mair, President. 200 feet elevation and disappeared Flight Lieutenant E.S. Holmes. Member. from view, crashing to the ground RECOMMENDATIONS Officer J.H. Ross. Member. All pilots flying in areas where Chinook winds may be encountered are to be warned that windows PRIMARY CAUSE: Atmospheric conditions are liable to frost over suddenly on reachfrosted the windows over and obscured ing the warm layer of air after leaving air the pilot's vision, perhaps when the which is colder than zero Centigmade. pilots were operating the undercarriage. That Staff pilots perform only such The aircraft was allowed to go into ACTION TAKEN: as are laid down in the T.C. letter.

(A) Disciplinary (B) Technical (C) OTHER crashed before the captain could effect recovery. Approved by A.M.T. 23-3-41. SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: A relatively inexperienced staff pilot permitted a pupil to take-RECORDED BY DATE off, contrary to instructions for O No.4T.C. 12F-LF.D. 4488 (S.A.S.O.) CHECKED BY DATE