

## MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

## AIR ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

## PRELIMINARY REPORT

OPERATOR: Z BOSKOVIC

AIRCRAFT TYPE/MANUFACTURER: Cessna 206/Cessna Co. USA

YEAR OF MANUFACTURE: 1974

AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION: 5Y - AUN

AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBER: 206-02531

DATE OF REGISTRATION: 1974

TYPE OF ENGINE: IO-520-F3B

DATE OF OCCURRENCE: 06/07/2016

TIME OF OCCURRENCE: 1445

LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE: Mara, S 01°43′30.9" E 035°23'0.4"

TYPE OF FLIGHT: Commercial

NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BOARD: 01

INJURIES: Minor

NATURE OF DAMAGE: Substantial

CATEGORY OF OCCURRENCE: Accident

PIC'S FLYING EXPERIENCE: CPL, 5800 hours

All times given in this report is Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)

East African Local Time is UTC plus 3 hours.



## **NARRATIVE**

The aircraft took off on a VFR flight plan with fuel endurance of 3 hrs 20 min for a commercial flight with four passengers on board from Wilson Airport to Borana in Laikipia County at 1030 hours. The flight took 1hr 10 min. The passengers were dropped at Borana and the aircraft was expected to return to Wilson airport after about two hours.

The pilot reported to have taken off alone in the aircraft at 1150 on runway 03° to fly back to Wilson with an intention of flying through Borana- Timau – Nyeri then Wilson for 1hr. 20 min. On a climb out the pilot noticed the weather was not favourable for VFR on the intended route, turned left heading westwards and inadvertently entered into Instrument Meteorological Conditions, IMC. The aircraft climbed to FL 105 to clear high terrain en route. The pilot is not instrument rated.

The pilot could not estimate the duration he was in IMC. He neither requested for

radar vectoring from JKIA nor communicate to any controlling agency or other

aircraft during the flight. He did not communicate to the company operations

either. He maintained the unmanned area radio frequency on one radio...

The pilot reported that after descending to about 2000 ft. above ground level the

aircraft engine started running rough. His attempt to restart the engine was

unsuccessful because of the proximity of the aircraft with the ground surface. He

opted to execute a forced landing at an area one nautical mile from the Kenya

Tanzania border in the Masai Mara of Narok County. The aircraft came to a halt

one hundred meters from the first touchdown point. There was no post impact

fire.

Both left and right wings were damaged on the leading edge. The flaps control

was broken. The wings struts attachments to the fuselage were severed. The

under carriage was also damaged. The cockpit glass canopy was shattered. One

of the blades had a spiral twist and broken at the hub. The aircraft remained

intact and there was no dispersion of debris.

The pilot suffered from shock was taken to hospital where he was medically

examined and discharged the following day.

Further investigation is in progress.

**Chief Investigator of Accidents** 

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