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Our Ref: AIC 18-R01/17-2002

Safety recommendation: AIC 18-R01/17-2002

Addressed to: Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG

Date issued: 17 April 2018

Date reissued: 17 February 2019

Investigation link: AIC 17-2002

Action status: Issued

Safety deficiency description

On 5 December 2017, at 15:04 local time, the Papua New Guinea Accident Investigation Commission was informed of a serious landing incident that occurred at Goroka Airport, Eastern Highlands Province on 2 December at 14:12 local time.

A Papua New Guinea Defence Force CASA CN-235M aircraft, registered P2-502, and operating as Eagle 502, landed on a closed runway (35 Left) while runway works were in progress. The aircraft was observed to continue along the closed runway, before back tracking to a taxiway that was also closed for works, in order to taxi to, and enter, the active runway 35 Right.

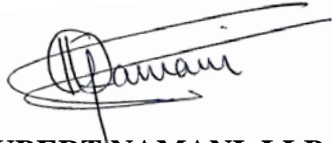
The AIC investigation into this serious incident has found that as a result of the extensive runway works at Goroka Airport, the *Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP) AYGA, Section 3*, is not accurate and therefore does not reflect the correct data, in particular the runway data.

Recommendation number AIC 18-R01/17-2002 to Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG

The PNG Accident Investigation Commission recommends that the Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG should require a review of the *Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP), AYGA, 3.1 to 3.5*, to ensure the information relating to Goroka Airport is accurate, with specific attention to ensure that runway data is accurate, as a result of the extensive runway works.

Action requested

The AIC requests that the Civil Aviation Safety Authority note recommendation AIC 18-R01/17-2002, and provide a response to the AIC within 90 days of the issue date, and explain (including with evidence) how the CASA has addressed the safety deficiency identified in the AIC investigation report AIC 17-2002.



HUBERT NAMANI, LLB
Chief Commissioner

17 April 2017

PNG Accident Investigation Commission comment 16 February 2019

On 16 February 2019, the PNG Accident Investigation Commission noted with concern that no *Safety Action* response has been received from the Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG (CASA PNG) to this *Safety Recommendation AIC 18-R01/17-2002*, and the recommendation, **now 10 months old**, remains **ACTIVE**.

The PNG AIC therefore reissues this *Recommendation* to CASA PNG and reiterates the safety deficiency.

Reissued Recommendation number AIC 18-R01/17-2002 to Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG

The PNG Accident Investigation Commission recommends that the Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG (CASA PNG) should require an urgent review of the *Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP)*, AYGA, 3.1 to 3.5, to ensure the information relating to Goroka Airport is accurate, with specific attention to ensure that runway data is accurate, as a result of the extensive runway works.

Action requested

The AIC requests that the Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG (CASA PNG) note *Recommendation AIC 18-R01/17-2002*, and provide a response to the AIC within 60 days of the reissue date, (no later than 17 April 2019) and explain, including with evidence, how CASA PNG has addressed the safety deficiency identified in the *AIC Investigation Final Report AIC 17-2002* and *Recommendation AIC 18-R01/17-2002*.

The AIC has rated this lack of response by CASA PNG as *Unsatisfactory and Not Accepted*. The status of the recommendation is **ACTIVE**.



HUBERT NAMANI, LLB
Chief Commissioner

17 February 2019

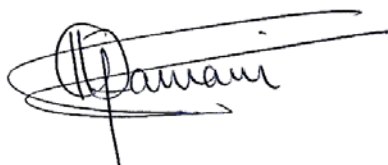
Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG response

On 13 March 2019 the Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG (CASA PNG) wrote to the PNG Accident Investigation Commission (AIC) providing evidence of addressing the safety deficiencies identified in *AIC Recommendation, AIC 18-R01/17-2002*; specifically copies of:

1. **February 2019 Pre-Flight Information Bulletin** with the relevant May 2018 Goroka NOTAMs;
A0648, A0649, A0652.
2. **AIP Amendment 10 Effective 28 February 2019** Checklist and the relevant amendment to Goroka Aerodrome Data in pages AYGA 3-1 – 3-4.

PNG Accident Investigation Commission (AIC) assessment of Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG (CASAPNG) response

The PNG Accident Investigation Commission (AIC) has reviewed the Civil Aviation Safety Authority of PNG (CASA PNG) response addressing the AIC *Safety Recommendation AIC 18-R01/17-2002* addressed to CASA PNG. The AIC has assigned the response a fully satisfactory rating and records the Status of the Recommendation: **CLOSED RESPONSE ACCEPTED**.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Hubert Namani', with a large circular flourish to the left.

HUBERT NAMANI, LLB
Chief Commissioner

18 March 2019