03 Jul 09

CONVENING ORDER FOR SERVICE INQUIRY INTO ACCIDENT TO TORNADO F3 ZE982 THAT OCCURRED ON 02 JUL 09 NEAR TO ARROCHAR

- 1. A service inquiry (SI) is to be held under section 343 of AFA 06.
- 2. The purpose of this SI is to investigate the circumstances of the accident to Tornado F3 ZE982 near to Arrochar on 2 Jul 09.
- 3. The Inquiry panel is to assemble at HQ 1 Gp, RAF High Wycombe on 03 Jul 09 at 0830 hrs.
- 4. The inquiry panel comprises:

President: Members:

Wg Cdr Sqn Ldr

San Ldr

- 5. The legal advisor to the inquiry is Wg Cdr
- 6. The SI is to investigate and report on the facts relating to the matters specified in its Terms of Reference (TOR) and otherwise to comply with those TOR (attached at Annex A). It is to record all evidence and express opinions as directed in the TOR.
- 7. The following advisors/observers may attend the inquiry subject to the following conditions:

Sqn Ldr DARS SI (Advisor) – unrestricted attendance.

RAFCAM HF Accident Investigator (Advisor) - unrestricted attendance.

Wg Cdr RAFCAM Advisor – unrestricted attendance.

- 8. CO RAF Leuchars is requested to provide facilities, equipment, and assistance suitable for the nature and duration of the SI.
- 9. In principle, costs will lie where they fall. Specific additional SI costs are to be attributed to UIN F1065A.
- 10. You are to ensure that AOC 1 Gp and RAF Flight Safety are regularly updated on the progress and findings of the inquiry. Specifically, you should report any tactical, operational or flight safety matters of an urgent nature without delay.

Original Signed

G J BAGWELL AVM AOC 1 GP

Annex A: Terms of Reference for SI into Tornado F3 ZE982 accident – 2 Jul 09

ANNEX A TO TORNADO F3 ZE982 ACCIDENT CONVENING ORDER DATED 03 JUL 09

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SI INTO TORNADO F3 ZE982 ACCIDENT

As the nominated Inquiry Panel for the SI into the accident to Tornado aircraft ZE982 you are to:

- A. Investigate the circumstances of the accident to tornado aircraft ZE982 near Arrochar on 02 Jul 09.
- b. Determine the cause or causes of the accident and examine contributory factors.
- c. Investigate the medical cause of death, as established from expert testimony.
- d. Investigate and comment on relevant Human Factors, with specific comment on fatigue, implications arising from this accident.
- e. Ascertain whether Service personnel involved were acting in the course Of their duties.
- f. Examine what orders and instructions were issued and whether they were complied with.
- g. Determine the state of serviceability of relevant equipment.
- h. Establish the level of training, relevant competencies and qualifications of the individuals involved.
- i. Ascertain the value of loss/damage to the Service and/or Civilian property.
- j. Ascertain if aircrew escape and survival facilities were utilized and functioned correctly.
- k. Identify if the levels of planning and preparation met the activities' objectives.
- I. Review the levels of authority and supervision covering the task during which the accident occurred.
- m. Make appropriate recommendations.
- n. Comment on media handling and notification aspects immediately post the incident.

