Part 1.2 Convening Order and TORs

CONVENING ORDER FOR SERVICE INQUIRY INTO ACCIDENT INVOLVING TWO HAWK T Mk 1 XX233 and HAWK T Mk1a XX253 AIRCRAFT THAT OCCURRED ON 23 MAR 10 AT HELLENIC AIR FORCE KASTELLI, CRETE

- 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 an accident involving two Hawk aircraft at Hellenic Air Force Kastelli, Crete.
- 3. The Inquiry panel is to assemble at HQ 22 Gp Conference Room, RAF High Wycombe on 24 Mar 10 at 0930 hrs.
- 4. The inquiry panel comprises:

President:

San Ldr

Members:

San Ldr

Flt Lt.

- 5. The legal advisor to the inquiry is Sqn Ldr:
- 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.

Ms

, RAFCAM HF Accident Investigator (Advisor) - unrestricted

attendance.

Wg Cdr

, RAFCAM Advisor – unrestricted attendance.

Sqn Ldr

Legal Advisor – unrestricted attendance.

- 8. The Inquiry is not to make any explicit attribution of blame or legal liability and will be guided in this respect by the legal advisor.
- 9. Commanding Officer Hellenic Air Force Kastelli is requested to provide facilities, equipment and assistance suitable for the nature and duration of the inquiry.
- 10. In principle, SI costs are to lie where they fall. Specific additional costs are to be attributed to UIN F0052P.

- 11. The President is to communicate his initial findings to me within 96hrs of the convening of this SI.
- 12. You are to ensure that AOC 22 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.

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Annex:

A. Terms of Reference for Service Inquiry into Hawk T Mk1 XX233 and Hawk T Mk1a XX253 accident.

ANNEX A TO
2 X Hawk T Mk1 ACCIDENT
CONVENING ORDER
DATED 24 MAR 2010

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SERVICE INQUIRY INTO HAWK T Mk1 XX233 and HAWK T Mk1a XX253 ACCIDENT

As the nominated Inquiry Panel for the SI into the accident to Hawk T Mk1 aircraft XX233 and Hawk T Mk1a aircraft XX253 you are to:

- a. Investigate the circumstances of an accident involving Hawk T Mk1 aircraft XX233 and Hawk T Mk1a XX253 at Hellenic Air Force Kastelli in Crete.
- b. Determine the cause or causes of the accident and examine contributory factors.
- c. Investigate and comment on relevant Human Factors implications arising from this accident.
- d. Ascertain whether Service personnel involved were acting in the course of their duties.
- e. Examine what orders and instructions were issued and whether they were complied with.
- f. Determine the state of serviceability of relevant equipment.
- g. Establish the level of training, relevant competencies and qualifications of the individuals involved.
- h. Ascertain the value of loss/damage to the Service and/or Civilian property.
- i. Ascertain if aircrew escape and survival facilities were fully utilized and functioned correctly.
- i. Identify if the levels of planning and preparation met the activities' objectives.
- k. Review the levels of authority and supervision covering the task during which the accident occurred.
- I. Consult your Legal representative if you believe Regulation 18 action is required.
- m. Ensure that any material provided to the Panel by the United States or any other foreign state is properly identified as such, and is marked and handled in accordance with MOD security guidance. This material continues to belong to those nations through the SI process. Before the SI report is released to a third

party authorisation should be sought from the relevant authorities in those nations to release, whether in full or redacted form, any of the material included in the SI report or amongst the documents supporting it. For intelligence material, this should be done through the Defence Intelligence Services (DIS) secretary. You are not to make a judgement on the origin of the classified material. If you are unable to identify the source of the origin of the material, you must seek advice. In addition, the relevant Policy and Defence Relations (PDR) directorate should be informed early when dealing with the US or other foreign state material, and should be engaged in the process where doubt exists.

n. Make appropriate recommendations.