## SOUTH AFRICAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT REPORT**

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Aircraft Registration	ZS-NCN	ı	Date of Accident	25	Jun	e 2004	Time of Accident	0910Z
Type of Aircraft	Beech 58		58	Type of Operation		peration	Domestic Charter	
Pilot-in-command Licence Type			Airline Transport Pilot Licence	Age		34	Licence Valid	Yes
Pilot-in-command Flying Experience		9	Total Flying Hours	2 645.5		5.5	Hours on Type	172
Last point of departure			Johannesburg International Aerodrome					
Next point of intended landing		Skukuza Aerodrome						
Location of the accident	site with re	fere	ence to easily define	d geogr	aph	ical points	(GPS readings if pos	ssible)
Runway 17, Skukuza Aero	drome							
Meteorological Informati	on Wi	Wind speed: light and variable; CAVOK.						
Number of people on boa	ard	1+3	No. of people in	jured		0 <b>N</b>	o. of people killed	0
Synopsis						•		

The pilot stated that he was accompanied by three passengers on a flight from Johannesburg International Aerodrome to Skukuza Aerodrome. As he landed on Runway 17, he heard a thud as the main landing gear of the aircraft touched the surface of the runway. He thought that the nose landing gear might have collapsed, and immediately shut down the engines and switched off all electrical systems, for fear of the aircraft catching fire.

He pulled the yoke all the way back to keep the nose off the ground for as long as possible. The nose eventually collapsed onto the runway and the aircraft skidded to a stop. The pilot and passengers evacuated the aircraft. On investigation they saw a dead warthog lying on the centreline of the runway, a few metres behind the aircraft.

On the basis of the information forwarded to the investigator-in-charge, it appears that the nose landing gear collapsed due to the impact force of hitting the warthog. Corroborating evidence was also received from the passengers, who stated that on landing, the aircraft had collided with a warthog.

The aircraft sustained damage to the port flap, nose landing gear and propeller blades. The pilot and passengers did not sustain any injuries.

The Aircraft Maintenance Organisation – AMO 076 – responsible for the maintenance of the aircraft had last been audited by the SACAA on 10 June 2003. No major or minor findings were identified in the audit.

The last Mandatory Periodic Inspection (MPI) had been certified on 12 September 2003 at total of 3 412 airframe hours. The aircraft had accumulated an additional 98.0 hours since then.

## **Probable Cause**

The nose landing gear of the aircraft collapsed onto the runway after the aircraft collided with a warthog during landing.

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