


# SAFETY RECOMMENDATION SR18-023

## Details


Synopsis	<p>On 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018, an Embraer Bandeirante (EMB-110), aircraft, registration C6- MIC, registered to Pineapple Air Limited, (a Bahamas Air Operator Certificate (AOC) holder), operating as Pineapple Air flight 978 was involved in a runway excursion accident at the Governors Harbor Int'l Airport, Governors Harbor, Eleuthera, Bahamas.</p> <p>Information received was that at approximately 8:05 pm, after landing, the left main landing gear of the aircraft collapsed, resulting in a runway excursion to the left side of runway 33.</p> <p>The aircraft departed the Lynden Pindling International Airport (LPIA) at 7:00 pm on an instrument flight plan with a total of seventeen (17) on board, (2 crew and 15 passengers).</p> <p>Post-crash investigations uncovered the aircraft attempted a landing on runway 15 at Governors Harbor Airport, but a go-around was executed when visual contact was lost due to heavy rain. On the second landing attempt, the decision was made to switch to runway 33.</p> <p>While on final approach to runway 33, visual contact was lost once again, and a second go-around was executed. On the third and final attempt, a hard landing was made on runway 33, however, 2 seconds after touchdown the left main landing gear collapsed resulting in a runway excursion on the left side of runway 33.</p> <p>Heavy rain occurring at the time of the landing around 7:40pm prevented a rescue attempt by firemen stationed at the airport. Weather conditions were described as severe, at the time of the accident. Several severe weather warnings for the Northwest and Central Bahamas including Eleuthera were forecasted and included heavy rain showers, gusty winds, and thunderstorms. These conditions were all present at the time of touchdown. Weather has been determined to be a contributing factor in the accident.</p>
Recommendation	<p><b>To the Bahamas Civil Aviation Authority, Aviation Security Department (AvSec).</b> The AAIA recommends that the AvSec Department conduct an investigation to determine the extent to which the tenant restricted area security program is not effective. As the program has been violated repeatedly by individuals gaining unescorted access, with unapproved credentials, a determination needs to be made as to what corrective action/sanction (if applicable) is appropriate for violators of the tenant agreement, or to see what measures are required to strengthen gaps in the program that allows for such violations or deviations from established guidelines.</p>
Original Recommendation Transmittal Letter	 <p>Avsec Rec 023, 24 , 45.pdf</p>


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Overall Status	Open – Response Received
Location	Governors Harbor, Eleuthera, Bahamas
Accident Number	A18-000002
Accident Report	Runway Excursion
Accident Date	9 January, 2018
Issue Date	31 August, 2018
Date Closed	18 June, 2020
Addressee(s)	Mr. Andrew Bonaby – Manager – Aviation Security Department (BCAA)
Addressee(s) Response	Open – Response Received

## Safety Recommendation History

From	AAIA
To	BCAA/AvSec
Date	31 August, 2018
Response	 Avsec Rec 023, 24 , 45.pdf

From	BCAA/AvSec
To	AAIA
Date	11 September, 2018
Response	 BCAA AVSEC and FAL Response to AAID Report - D. Major.pdf

From	AAIA
To	BCAA/AvSec
Date	18 June, 2020
Response	 Safety Recommendation Closure Letter (AvSec).pdf

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