



N145TT Accident Preliminary Report

Released 3rd February 2022

Location	Accident number
Near Chub Cay, Berry Islands, Bahamas (4.48 NM West of Chub Cay Int'l Airport)	OCC-2022/0001
Occurrence Date & Time	Registration
5 th January 2022 8:32 AM EST (1332 UTC)	N145TT
Aircraft Flight Conducted Under	Injuries
Visual Flight Rules	2 Minor

Information:

Narrative:

The Aircraft Accident Investigation Authority (AAIA) received reports from the Bahamas Air Navigation Services Authority (BANSAs), air traffic control, of a Cessna 402B aircraft with United States registration N145TT having crashed into waters approximately 4.48 NM west of the Chub Cay airport (MYBC), Berry Islands, Bahamas at 8:32 AM EST (1332 UTC).

The aircraft, operated by Noble Air Charters, departed the Opa Locka Executive Airport (KOPF), Opa Locka, Florida, USA at 7:52 AM EST (1252 UTC) with 2 persons on board enroute to Chub Cay. Further reports indicate that prior to approaching the island of Chub Cay, the pilot in command contacted Miami air traffic control to advise of a dual engine failure which resulted in the aircraft crashing into waters.

In the immediate aftermath, the United States Coast Guard along with the Royal Bahamas Police Force (RBPF) and the Royal Bahamas Defense Force (RBDF) were alerted by aviation authorities. Jointly, aerial and marine assets were dispatched and additional assistance was provided by local mariners and pilots flying in the area to conduct search and rescue. They were successful in locating and retrieving the two occupants who were then airlifted to the United States to receive further medical attention for minor injuries.



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The area of the downed aircraft was identified at coordinates 25° 24.884' N and 077° 58.030' W, approximately 4.48 NM west of the Chub Cay International Airport (MYBC), Berry Islands, Bahamas. However, an assessment of the depth of the ocean in that general vicinity, revealed depths in excess of 600 ft. which rendered the aircraft inaccessible, according to the salvage and recovery team engaged by the aircraft insurer.

This is preliminary information, subject to change, and may contain errors. Any errors in this report will be corrected when the final report has been completed.

Aircraft and Owner / Operator Information:

Aircraft Manufacturer

Cessna

Registration

N145TT

Model / Series

402B

Aircraft Category

Normal

Amateur Built**Operator**

Not Applicable

Air Carrier**Operating Certificate**

Yes

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan:

Conditions at Accident site

Visual Meteorological Conditions

Condition of Light

Day

Observation facility**Elevation**

7 ft.

Observation Time

1300 UTC; 8:00 AM EST

Distance from Site

35 NM

Temp /Dewpoint**Lowest Cloud Condition**

SCT

Wind Speed / Gust**Direction**

VRB 02 knots



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Lowest Ceiling

SCT 020 ft.

Visibility

> 6 SM

Altimeter Setting

30.06 in HG

Type of flight Plan

Filed

Visual Flight Rules

Departure Point

Opa Locka Executive
Airport (KOPF) , Opa
Locka, Florida, USA

Destination

Chub Cay International
Airport (MYBC), Berry
Islands, Bahamas

Wreckage and Impact Information:





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Crew Injuries

1 Minor

Aircraft Damage

Unknown, Submerged

Passenger Injuries

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Aircraft Fire

Not Applicable

Ground Injuries

Nil

Aircraft Explosion

Not Applicable

Total Injuries

2 Minor

Latitude, Longitude

25° 24.884' N 077° 58.030' W

Administrative Information:**Investigator in Charge**

Mr. Kendall Dorsett Jr.

Additional Information
