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- ★Exercise: Determining the extent of an accident investigation
 - ★ To do the exercises, we will use our fictional scenario:
 - ★State Coronaland
 - ★Authority Civil Aviation Authority of Coronaland (CAAC)
 - ★The accident investigation unit is not independent, being part of the CAAC



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- ★Gather all information relevant to the development of the procedure
 - ★Since the procedure of our exercise comes out from a PQ, we need to know the content of:
 - ★the question of the Protocol USOAP
 - ★the ICAO references to that PQ
 - ★the Guidance for Review of Evidence



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Key elements:

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- 1. Established and implemented
- 2. Help determine the extent
- 3. Accident investigation
- 4. Circumstances of the accident
- 5. Safety lessons

Established and implemented

This PQ requires evidence of implementation

Help determine the extent

- How far the investigation will go
- Size of the investigation team
- Deployment to the crash site
- Model of final report
- Etc.

Accident investigation

Not applicable to serious incidents or other incidents

Circumstances of the accident

- Type of operation Category of aircraft

 - Injury level Damage
 - Social repercussion
 - Involvement of other states
 - Presence of illegal activity
 - Ftc.

Safety lessons

- Repetitiveness
- Illegal interference
- Non-qualified personnel
- Non-certified aircrafts
- Etc.

ICAO references

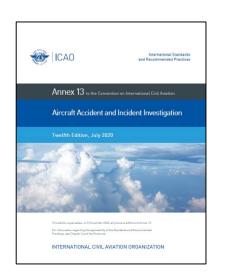
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RESPONSIBILITY FOR INSTITUTING AND CONDUCTING THE INVESTIGATION

ACCIDENTS OR INCIDENTS IN THE TERRITORY
OF A CONTRACTING STATE

ANNEX 13



State of Occurrence

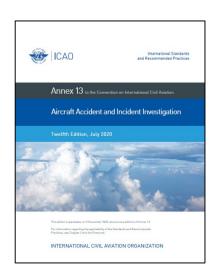
5.1 The State of Occurrence shall institute an investigation into the circumstances of the accident and be responsible for the conduct of the investigation, but it may delegate the whole or any part of the conducting of such investigation to another State or a regional accident and incident investigation organization (RAIO) by mutual arrangement and consent. In any event, the State of Occurrence shall use every means to facilitate the investigation.



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General

- 5.4 The accident investigation authority shall have independence in the conduct of the investigation and have unrestricted authority over its conduct, consistent with the provisions of this Annex. The investigation shall normally include:
- a) the gathering, recording and analysis of all relevant information on that accident or incident;
- b) the protection of certain accident and incident investigation records in accordance with 5.12;



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General

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- 5.4 ...
- c) if appropriate, the issuance of safety recommendations;
- d) if possible, the determination of the causes and/or contributing factors; and
- e) the completion of the Final Report.

Where feasible, the scene of the accident shall be visited, the wreckage examined and statements taken from witnesses. The extent of the investigation and the procedure to be followed in carrying out such an investigation shall be determined by the accident investigation authority, depending on the lessons it expects to draw from the investigation for the improvement of safety.



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General

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5.4.2 **Recommendation**.— The accident investigation authority should develop documented policies and procedures detailing its accident investigation duties. These should include: organization and planning; investigation; and reporting.



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2.6 EQUIPMENT

2.6.1 Proper planning and preparedness are essential in facilitating the prompt arrival of investigators at an accident site and have considerable bearing on the efficiency of the investigation. In this regard, accident investigators should have their investigation field kits and essential personal items packed and ready so that they can proceed without delay to the accident site. Advance consideration should also be given to such details as inoculations, passport requirements and travel facilities. To protect against biological hazards such as blood-borne pathogens, investigators who work amongst wreckage are advised to have tetanus and Hepatitis B vaccinations (and any recommended boosters to immunity) and to wear the necessary personal protective equipment.



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2.6 EQUIPMENT

2.6.2 Accidents and incidents are apt to occur anywhere: at airports, in mountains, swamps, deeply wooded areas, deserts, etc. Hardships are often encountered in reaching accident sites in remote areas, and it is therefore important that investigators be physically fit and that working gear be selected with due consideration to terrain and weather.



ICAO REFERENCES



2.6 EQUIPMENT

2.6.3 Clothing should be comfortable and afford protection against the conditions or elements that may be encountered. Spare clothing may also be required. The most essential items of personal clothing are good footwear, a windproof and waterproof jacket and trousers, and appropriate headgear. The investigator should wear suitable boots which provide protection against the hazards at the accident site. Specifically, the boots should provide protection against crushing and piercing injuries and should be waterproof and oil and acid resistant. A "paratroop" type of boot with a heavy moulded sole gives good service as general-purpose footwear in difficult terrain and, "desert" boots have been found suitable in dry, broken ground. Protective items, such as sun block, anti-glare spectacles and insect repellent, should also be available.



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2.6 EQUIPMENT

2.6.4 Before proceeding to the accident site, investigators should have adequate supplies and equipment most appropriate to the territory to be covered (food, water, first-aid kit, camping gear, communication equipment, etc.) and should have a competent guide if it is necessary to enter wild or rugged terrain. They should anticipate the need for special equipment (i.e. snowmobiles and skis) and have ready access to this type of equipment so that there is no delay in procuring it. They should also be familiar with the use of such equipment.



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2.6 EQUIPMENT

2.6.5 The investigation field kit should contain sufficient equipment to enable examination of the wreckage, the plotting of impact points and wreckage patterns, parts identification and the recording of observations. The list of items in Appendix 1 to this chapter provides guidance on the type of equipment which might be selected for the investigation field kit.







Chapter 3

PLANNING THE INVESTIGATION

- 3.1 ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION MANAGEMENT
- 3.2 THE INVESTIGATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



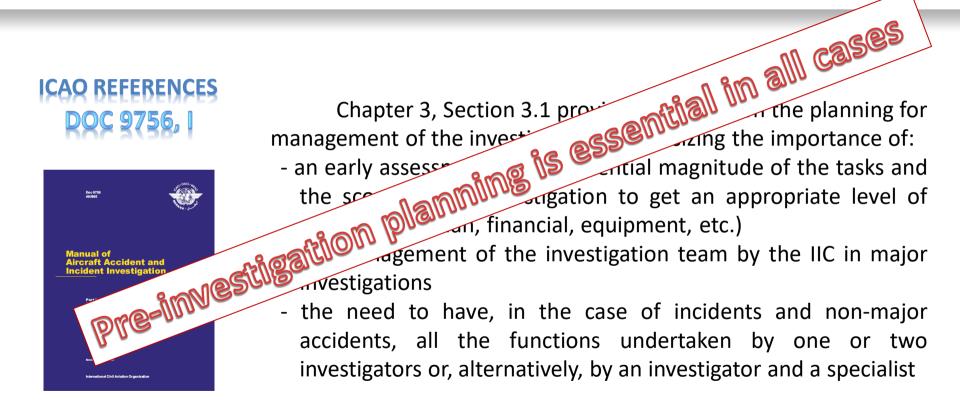
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Chapter 3, Section 3.1 provides guidance on the planning for management of the investigation, emphasizing the importance of:

- an early assessment of the potential magnitude of the tasks and the scope of the investigation to get an appropriate level of resources (human, financial, equipment, etc.)
- the management of the investigation team by the IIC in major investigations
- the need to have, in the case of incidents and non-major accidents, all the functions undertaken by one or two investigators or, alternatively, by an investigator and a specialist





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Chapter 3, Section 3.2 provides specific guidance on the effective management of a major investigation, presenting a system based on a comprehensive plan, checklists, and a method and flow charts to track the progress of the investigation



ICAO REFERENCES DOC 9756, II



In Part II, paragraph 1.1.3, the Manual presents some factors that, among others, may impact the scope and complexity of the investigation:

- a) injuries, deaths and damage to equipment, third parties and the environment;
- b) identified and potential safety issues underlying the accident/incident;
- c) the likelihood of recurrence, the probability of adverse consequences, and the severity of adverse consequences;
- d) accident and incident history related to the type of operation, size and type of aircraft, the operator, manufacturer, and regulator; and
- e) actual and potential deviations from industry safety and operational regulations, standards, procedures and practices.



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2.2.3 In some investigations, the apparent causes/contributing factors may become evident early in the investigation. In such situations, the subsequent prime investigative effort may then be channelled to good effect into a relatively narrow but specialized area. Nevertheless, it will still be necessary to investigate all factors that might have contributed to the accident and to eliminate those factors that did not. In situations wherein the causes are not readily apparent, the investigator must progress steadily through all aspects of the occurrence, and this type of situation may require substantive effort of many groups of investigators working in a balanced and coordinated manner.



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Chapter 4 MAJOR ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS

Chapter 4 brings relevant guidance on:

- The need maintain coordination with all the groups in order to maintain and manage the progress of the investigation during the post-field phase of the investigation
- The importance of timely and effective release of investigation information, including preliminary and other reports, interim statements, final reports and safety recommendations
- The Investigation Management System
- Major Accident Investigation Guide



Chapter 4 MAJOR ACCIDENT INVESTIGATIONS





- 4.1 GENERAL
- 4.2 RESPONDING TO A NOTIFICATION
- 4.3 SECURING DOCUMENTATION
- 4.4 FIELD PHASE OF THE INVESTIGATION
- 4.5 POST-FIELD PHASE OF THE INVESTIGATION
- 4.6 INVESTIGATION REPORTING
- 4.7 INVESTIGATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (IMS)
- 4.8 MAJOR ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION GUIDE (MAIG)



Manual on Accident and Incident Investigation Policies and Procedures



Organization



Chapter 1. Introduction

Chapter 2. Legislative requirements

Chapter 3. Investigation objective and independence

Planning

Chapter 4. Planning and preparation for investigation



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Investigation

Chapter 5. Initial notification and response

Chapter 6. Investigation policies and procedures

Chapter 7. Actions at the accident site

Chapter 8. Organization and management of the investigation

Chapter 9. Tests and component examinations



Reporting



Chapter 10. Writing the Final Report and making safety recommendations

Chapter 11. Reporting to the ICAO Accident/Incident Data (ADREP) Reporting System

Chapter 12. Accident prevention measures



Appendix A

Model Accident Investigation Authority Act



Appendix B

Model Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation (AIG) Regulations



Appendix C

Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with other Organizations



Appendix D



List of examples of serious incidents (Reference to ICAO Annex 13, Attachment C)



Appendix E

Individual Development Plan

Appendix F

Wreckage and Parts Release Form



Guidance for Review of Evidence

- 1) Review policies, procedures and guidance material established.
- 2) Ensure that the policies, procedures and guidance material established are sufficiently detailed and are customized to the system in place.
- 3) Review evidence to confirm effective implementation.

Verify existing guidance on the scope and depth of the investigation, and whether or not investigators will be deployed on site



★As we have seen in the session 2 of the Project (and some of you might have seen in the webinar series of 2020), the State needs to develop different approaches regarding the investigation, thus it is necessary to establish the different categories of accidents



- ★In our example of Coronaland, we have accidents distributed into 6 different classes (each one will have a different investigation approach)
- ★Differences might be, for example, in the size of the investigation team, in the deployment or not to the site, in the involvement of pathologist, in the model of the final report, etc.

Classes of Accidents in Coronaland

CLASS	TYPE OF OPERATION	INJURY LEVEL	SOCIAL REPERCUSSION	PARTICIPATION OF OTHER STATES	SAFETY LESSONS EXPECTED
1	Commercial – PAX (Schedule)	Fatal Non-fatal	High profile	Accredited representative No accredited representative	Expected
2	Commercial – PAX (Non-schedule) General aviation	Fatal	High profile	Accredited representative	Expected
3	Commercial – PAX (Non-schedule)	Fatal	Low profile	No accredited representative	Expected
	Commercial – PAX (Non-schedule)	Non-fatal			
4	General aviation Agricultural Other	Fatal	Low profile	No accredited representative	Expected
5	General aviation Agricultural Other	Non-fatal	Low profile	No accredited representative	Expected
6	General aviation Agricultural Other	Non-fatal	Low profile	No accredited representative	Not expected

NOTES:

- a) Any accident may be put in a higher class at the discretion of the Chief Investigator
- b) Accidents that cannot be directly classified in any of the classes will be assigned to one of them by the Chief Investigator

Investigation Approaches for Each Class of Accident

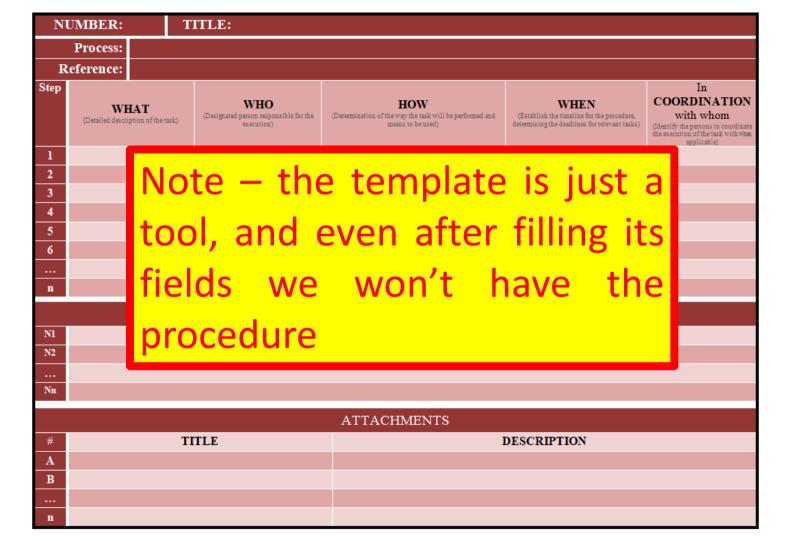
CLASS	MINIMUM SIZE OF INVESTIGATION TEAM	DEPLOYMENT TO THE SITE	INVOLVEMENT OF PATHOLOGIST	INVOLVEMENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER	INVOLVEMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICER	MODEL OF FINAL REPORT
1	1 IIC, 1 Coordinator, and 3 Group Chairman	Υ	Y/N	Υ	Υ	Complete
2	1 IIC, 1 Coordinator, and 3 Group Chairman	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Complete
3	1 IIC, 1 Investigator (OPS or AIR)	Υ	Υ	If requested by IIC	N	Complete
4	1 IIC, 1 Investigator (OPS or AIR)	Y	Y/N	If requested by IIC	N	Complete
5	1 IIC	IIC decision	N	If requested by IIC	N	Short
6	1 IIC	N	N	If requested by IIC	N	Short
	NOTES: a) The inputs in this Appendix must be seen as a guidance for the initial steps towards the investigation, and different approaches may be adopted when required by the circumstances of the investigation and approved by the Chief Investigator b) Nothing in this Appendix precludes the IIC from requesting any assistance in accordance with the circumstances of the accident					



- ★"Brainstorm" to find out which tasks would be part of the procedure
- ★We may use the template we developed to guide us in the process

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Stage 2 – Defining the framework

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Let's build it together

- ★Stage 1 Gathering relevant information
- **★**Stage 2 Defining the framework
- ★Stage 3 Writing the procedure



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★After this "brainstorm" and with the template completed, we will probably be able to write the procedure



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INTRODUCTION

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POLICY

It is the policy of the CAAC to carry out, through the AIG Section, the investigation of all accidents in accordance with the pre-established plans developed to ensure an effective process of investigation to achieve the best possible results in terms of safety, yet with a balanced effort commensurate with the characteristics of the civil aviation system of Coronaland.

PROCEDURE

- 1- The investigator on duty will, within 1 hour after becoming aware of the accident, establish the class of the accident in accordance with the Appendix 1 (Classes of Accidents in Coronaland), based on the his/her assessment of the information available and in coordination with the Chief Investigator.
- 2- The Chief Investigator will, within 1 hour after the classification of the accident and based on the class of the accident, designate the investigator-in-charge through the Form 08/AIG (Designation of the investigator-in-charge), which will be sent through email to the designee with copy to the Administrative Assistant.
- 3- The investigator-in-charge will propose, within 1 hour after the being designated as IIC and based on the class of the accident, the assignment of other personnel to form the investigation team, sending the proposal by email to the Chief Investigator with copy to the Administrative Assistant.
 - Note 1: For classes 5 and 6 accidents, this step is not applicable.

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PROCEDURE

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- 3- The investigator-in-charge will propose, within 1 hour after the being designated as IIC and based on the investigation approach for that class of the accident (Appendix B), the assignment of other personnel to form the investigation team, sending the proposal by email to the Chief Investigator with copy to the Administrative Assistant.
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Appendix A - Classes of Accidents in Coronaland

CLASS	TYPE OF OPERATION	INJURY LEVEL	SOCIAL REPERCUSSION	PARTICIPATION OF OTHER STATES	SAFETY LESSONS EXPECTED
1	Commercial – PAX (Schedule)	Fatal Non-fatal	High profile	Accredited representative No accredited representative	Expected
2	Commercial – PAX (Non- schedule) General aviation	Fatal	High profile	Accredited representative	Expected
3	Commercial – PAX (Non- schedule)	Fatal	Low profile	No accredited representative	Expected
	Commercial – PAX (Non- schedule)	Non-fatal			
4	General aviation Agricultural Other	Low profile Fatal		No accredited representative	Expected
5	General aviation Agricultural Other	Non-fatal	Low profile	No accredited representative	Expected
6	General aviation Agricultural Other	Non-fatal	Low profile	No accredited representative	Not expected

NOTES

- a) Any accident may be put in a higher class at the discretion of the Chief Investigator
- b) Accidents that cannot be directly classified in any of the classes will be assigned to one of them by the Chief Investigator

Appendix B – Investigation Approaches for Each Class of Accident

CLASS	MINIMUM SIZE OF INVESTIGATION TEAM	DEPLOYMENT TO THE SITE	INVOLVEMENT OF PATHOLOGIST	INVOLVEMENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER	INVOLVEMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OFFICER	MODEL OF FINAL REPORT		
1	1 IIC, 1 Coordinator, and 3 Group Chairman	Y	Y/N	Y	Y	Complete		
2	1 IIC, 1 Coordinator, and 3 Group Chairman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Complete		
3	1 IIC, 1 Investigator (OPS or AIR)	Y	Y	If requested by IIC	N	Complete		
4	1 IIC, 1 Investigator (OPS or AIR)	Y	Y/N	If requested by IIC	N	Complete		
5	1 IIC	IIC decision	N	If requested by IIC	N	Short		
6	1 IIC	N	N	If requested by IIC	N	Short		
	NOTES: a) The inputs in this Appendix must be seen as a guidance for the initial steps towards the investigation, and different approaches may be adopt required by the circumstances of the investigation and approved by the Chief Investigator b) Nothing in this Appendix precludes the IIC from requesting any assistance in accordance with the circumstances of the accident							







Informs acts of unlawful interference

6.347 Has the investigation authority established and implemented procedures to ensure that it informs the aviation security authorities immediately if an act of unlawful interference was involved or is suspected?