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COSPAS-SARSAT is working closely with ICAO on the development of specifications for second-generation beacons. A number of accident investigation reports provided information that no ELT signal was received by the COSPAS-SARSAT system. In many cases, antenna separation from the transmitter unit has been determined to be the primary cause of the inability of the COSPAS-SARSAT system to receive the distress signal. In the accident in question, no ELT signal was transmitted. In that regard, the recommendation from the Libyan Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) is in line with the current work of the Expert Working Group on Second-Generation Beacons to review the performance of current ELTs with the aim of improving it.