

FRANK LESZCZYNSKI

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Evening

13 MAY 2011

AT ABOUT 11:00 AM

WAS TAKING OFF FROM MODEL PARKING CC 115
TO THE EAST THIS WAS THE THIRD TAKE OFF
FROM THE PARKING THIS DAY THERE WAS THREE
OF US ON BOARD 2 PILOTS AND 1 PASS. I CAME
TO A HOVER OVER THE DECK I PUT IN ABOUT 5%
MORE POWER AND STARTED UPWARD AND FORWARD
CLEANING THE HOVER DECK AS I DID I LOST
TAIL ROTOR CONTROL THE AIRCRAFT YAWED
TO THE RIGHT I PUT IN ALL LEFT TAIL ROTOR BUT
AIRCRAFT WAS STILL TURNING RIGHT WE MADE
ONE 360 TURN AND WERE STOPPED BY THE
SECOND AIRCRAFT WHICH WAS IN THE DECK
LOWER COLLISION AND COLLAPSED OFF THE DECK
PULLED AFT CYCLIC AND COLLAPSED WERE DOWN ON
AT ABOUT 10 OR 20 FT FROM THE DECK
AIRCRAFT LAID SLIGHTLY MORE LOW WITH
RIGHT DUCT, ROWING OVER TO THE RIGHT.
COPILOT AND PASS EXITED THROUGH THE DOORS
I EXITED OUT THROUGH THE WINDOW WHEN
I SAW THEM OUT WIND WAS 20 TO 30 KTS
THE LIGHT STAYED ABOUT 5 TO 10 KNOTS VIS. COULD
NOT SEE AIRCRAFT

5-13-11

ON FRI 5-13 APPROX 11-10AM, FRANK AND I DEPARTED
MB115CC ENROUTE TO MB115C. ONE PAX. WAS ON BOARD. WINDS
WERE OUT OF THE SOUTHWEST @ APPROX 10 KTS. HOWEVER, THE PLAT-
FORM HAD AN OBSTRUCTION TO THE SOUTHWEST WHICH PREVENTED A
DEPARTURE DIRECTLY TO THE SW. TO AVOID THE OBSTRUCTION
WE DEPARTED TO THE WSW. AS WE CLEARED THE PLATFORM,
THE A/C BEGAN A SLOW ROTATION TO THE RIGHT. AFTER THE
FIRST FULL ROTATION, THE ROTATION SPEED INCREASED, SO
FRANK ANNOUNCED "I DON'T HAVE A T/R", ~~HE~~ THEN LOWERED THE
COLLECTIVE AND ROLLED THE THROTTLE TO IDLE. IMMEDIATELY
AFTER ROLLING OFF THE THROTTLE FRANK DEPLOYED THE
FLOATS FOLLOWED QUICKLY BY IMPACT WITH THE WATER. THE
A/C ROLLED TO THE RIGHT UPON IMPACT, ~~WHEN THE~~ WHEN THE
A/C STOPPED ROLLING, I VACATED THROUGH THE PILOT DOOR
AFTER SURFACING. I NOTICED THE PAX. HOLDING ON
TO THE A/C SKID WHICH WAS ABOVE WATER. I SWAM OVER
TO THE PAX, AS I GOT CLOSER TO THE PAX WE BOTH
AGREED THAT WE COULD SMELL FUEL, SO ~~WE~~ WE SWAM
AWAY FROM THE A/C. WHILE SWIMMING AWAY I NOTICED
FRANK HOLDING ON TO THE ~~A/C~~ A/C. A FISHING VESSEL NEARBY
CAME TOWARD US TO GIVE AID. THE PERSONS ON THE
VESSEL THREW A ROPE TO US, I WAS THE FIRST TO
CLIMB ABOARD. ONCE ABOARD I LAYED FLAT ON MY BACK
ON A BENCH. ^{IMMEDIATELY} AFTER, ~~WE~~ ^{HE} CAME ONBOARD AND LAYED ME ON BACKBOARD.
NEXT, THE PAX. WAS BROUGHT ABOARD FOLLOWED
BY FRANK A FEW MIN. LATER. THE VESSEL BROUGHT US
TO BILLY GOAT HOLE DOCK WHERE COAST GUARD MET US
AT THE DOCK. WE WERE TRANSPORTED TO ~~HOSPITAL~~ THE
HOSPITAL.

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