

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
Washington, D. C. 20594

PASSENGER STATEMENT

The National Transportation Safety Board, a Federal Agency, is charged by an Act of Congress with the investigation of transportation accidents. The Safety Board issues reports and makes recommendations to other federal and local agencies and to the industry to prevent future accidents and to prevent unnecessary injuries caused by such accidents.

We would appreciate very much your assistance in giving us the benefit of your personal observations and comments regarding this accident so that we may better evaluate the facts, conditions and circumstances surrounding this accident. Your observations also could assist us greatly in our evaluation of the cause of injuries as well as the adequacy of equipment and procedures affecting your survival and escape.

In addition to completing the following specific information, please feel free to comment on any aspect, before, during or after the accident, that you believe may have had a bearing on the accident cause or on subsequent events.

STATEMENT

Name: Mariela Alfonso Age: 46 Height: 5'6 Weight: 155
Address: [REDACTED] Venezuela [REDACTED] RB Sucreto
Occupation: Administrator Telephone: [REDACTED]
Injuries: Hip Contusion, Abdominal Pain

If you sustained injuries and were treated, provide name and address of doctor or treatment facility:

HCA Florida, Osceola Hospital Gue, Shyne MD
[REDACTED], Kissimmee, FL [REDACTED]

Are you handicapped (through vision, missing limbs, spinal problems, etc., which may affect your movements.)
Please specify:

No

Seat Location: If you do not recall your seat number, please specify your position as on the left or right, aisle or window location, number of rows from the front or back, near a specific door or any other method which will assist in locating your position.

Co Pilot Seat

Describe your observations before the accident happened such as the weather conditions; the lighting conditions; whether or not you have a seatbelt fastened; your outside observations, etc.

It was Cloudy, but I did not see a presence of rain.
I did have my Seatbelt on.

B. MY OBSERVATIONS DURING THE ACCIDENT

Describe the accident circumstances considering such things as any unusual occurrences during the accident; the presence of fire or smoke; the direction in which you were thrown; the severity of the impact; etc.

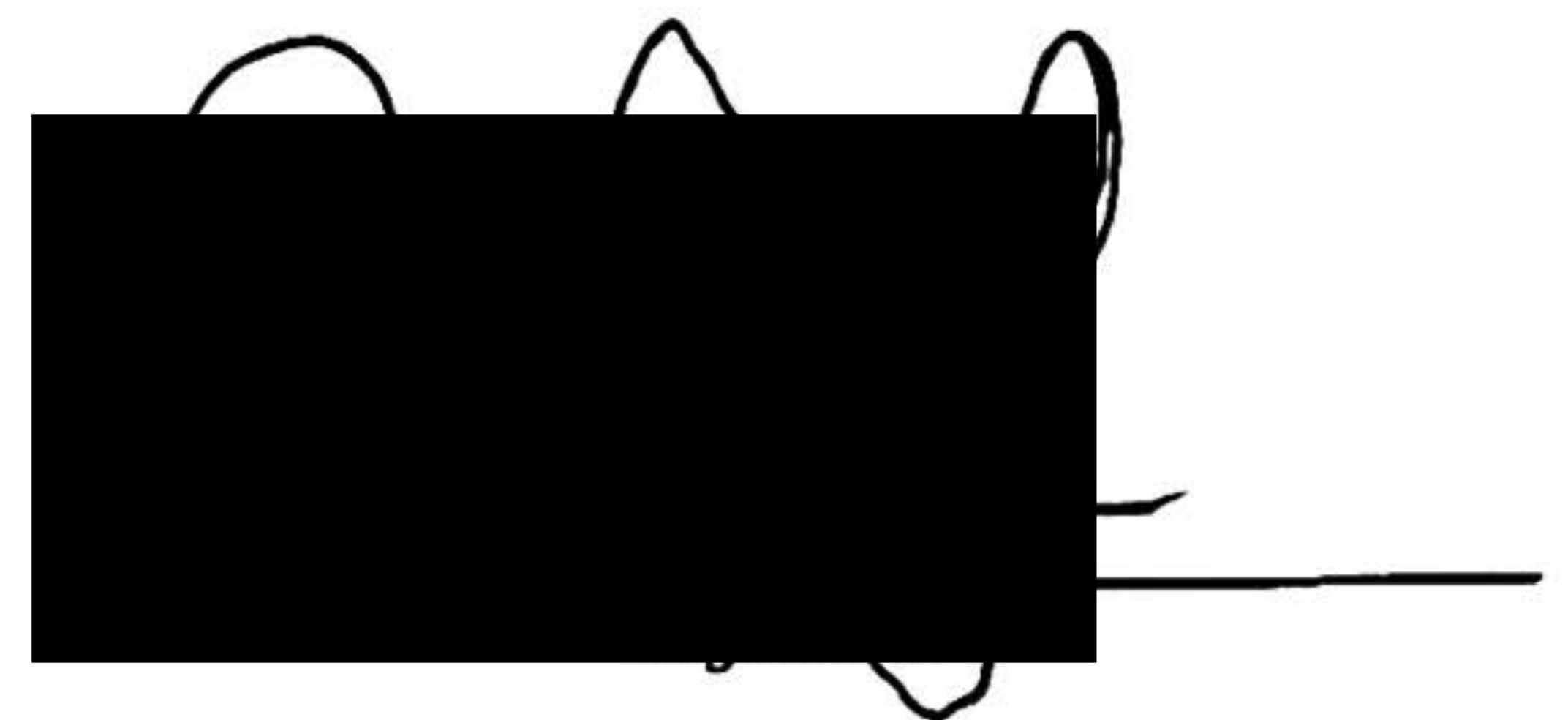
I did not notice anything Unusual. I noticed something was wrong when the alarm started to make sound.
The Impact was Strong, even more when it (the plane) dragged us.

Describe your method of escape and any difficulties encountered with your seat, seatbelt, debris, etc.; the reaction and behavior of other passengers; your observations of any outside rescue attempts; any occurrence which seemed unusual to you; etc.

We followed the instructions of Alex (the Pilot) and exited through the exit window. Alexander I felt was in control and handling the Situation. The other passenger following instructions. The rescue was timely and efficient.

D. OTHER GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

You may use this space to comment on any other aspect of the accident or you may sketch the general accident scene as you observed it, your escape method or the location of fire, etc.



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Name: Maria Molero Age: 16 Height: 5'6 Weight: 128
Address: [REDACTED] Venezuela
Occupation: Student Telephone: [REDACTED]
Injuries: None

If you sustained injuries and were treated, provide name and address of doctor or treatment facility:

HCA Hospital Osceola Hospital, League, Amber H MD
[REDACTED], Kissimmee, FL [REDACTED]

Are you handicapped (through vision, missing limbs, spinal problems, etc., which may affect your movements.)
Please specify:

No

Seat Location: If you do not recall your seat number, please specify your position as on the left or right, aisle or window location, number of rows from the front or back, near a specific door or any other method which will assist in locating your position.

Passenger Seat Right.

Describe your observations before the accident happened such as the weather conditions; the lighting conditions; whether or not you have a seatbelt fastened; your outside observations, etc.

It was a normal day, Clouds but no rain, I could see clearly.
I had my seatbelt on.

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Describe the accident circumstances considering such things as any unusual occurrences during the accident; the presence of fire or smoke; the direction in which you were thrown; the severity of the impact; etc.

There was nothing unusual as far as I could tell. It was normal until it began to feel like we were falling and things started floating and the alarm went off. It was a strong impact, and then further I could see the plane being dragged but I was already off.

Describe your method of escape and any difficulties encountered with your seat, seatbelt, debris, etc.; the reaction and behavior of other passengers; your observations of any outside rescue attempts; any occurrence which seemed unusual to you; etc.

When the plane finally stopped on the ground, it was inverted in a way that the seatbelt was choking me as I sat. It hanged, the Pilot (Alex) was able to get to me quickly and took my seatbelt off, then opened the escape window and let me out first. Once outside the plane was dragged further with the Pilot and other passengers inside. After some time I saw a man come out into the swamp to help, he had called the authorities.

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Signature