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Subject: ERA25FA201, Spouse Interview
Contact: Teri Pung, Pilot's Spouse

Mrs. Pung was interviewed at the airport by the NTSB and FAA IICs. Below is a summary of that conversation.

- Mrs. Pung identified herself as the spouse of the pilot and confirmed the registration number of the accident airplane was the airplane they owned.
- When asked to discuss their morning she reported that they had had breakfast that morning together at a restaurant on Amelia Island, during breakfast she reported that they were checking the weather throughout the morning.
- After breakfast the pilot dropped her and their dogs off at Fernandina Beach Municipal Airport and drove back to Nassau Airport, where the airplane was hangered.
- The plan was for the pilot to finish loading the airplane and then depart Nassau Airport for Fernandina Beach Airport where they would wait for inclement weather to pass through the area. After the weather passed, they planned to fly to Tennessee.
 - When asked why they were going to wait for the weather to pass in Fernandina Beach, she reported that it was a more comfortable airport with better amenities and a longer runway.

- She reported that the pilot knew of the approaching weather and had been watching the weather all morning.
- She reported that the plan was for the pilot to depart Runway 12 at Nassau Airport and make the short flight to Fernandina Beach.
- She reported that the airplane had a nose baggage compartment on the passenger side of the airplane.
- When asked about any medical conditions she reported that the pilot was flying using Basic Med and was taking medication for a thyroid condition but other than that was in good health and spirits.
- When asked if there were any known issues with the airplane, she reported that there were none.
- When asked about the fuel state of the airplane she reported that they had flown about 1 hour, from Clearwater Air Park (CLW), Clearwater, FL to 83FL, since filling the airplane with fuel several weeks prior to the day of the accident flight.
- When asked about the pilot's experience taking off and landing on the shortened runway at Nassau Airport, she reported that the pilot had flown in and out of the airport with the shortened runway multiple times.
- She reported that when departing Nassau Airport, the pilot would normally take off with the flaps extended but she did not know which setting.
- She reported that they had owned the airplane for about 8 or 9 years.
- She confirmed that the dog food found on the runway was food they used for one of their dogs.