

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED: COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER Escort duty. OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT: COURT OF INQUIRY NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT: DATE: 23-7-42. Flt. Lt. Turner made a right hand circuit. came low over the ship, again S/L Gardner, G.R. 121 (Composite) Sqdn. F/O Pennock C.G. 127 (F) Sqdn. rolled but this time at about 40 to 100 feet, but this time the A/C RECOMMENDATIONS: crashed into the water and sank immediately into about 40 fathoms Steps to be taken to impress personnel in Operational Squadrons with regulations in C.A.P. 100, particularly of water. PRIMARY CAUSE: Section governing all flying regulations. Pilot error doing low aerobatics. A.O.C. recommends that particularly Sec. 1 of C.A.P. 100 be strictly adhered to. ACTION TAKEN: (A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER NiL. CONCLUSIONS OF AIB Hurricane A/C crashed in the water when the pilot was engaging in unauthorized low aerobatics. Although the pilot is missing, there is no reasonable doubt that SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: the pilot was killed when the A/C crashed into the sea. C struck the water. RECORDED BY DATE CHECKED BY R.C.A.F. FORM L20 REQ. 1247 10M-15-11-41 DATE