

DUTY ON WHICH ENGAGED:

Flying Training.

COURT OF INQUIRY, INVESTIGATING OFFICER

OR COMMANDING OFFICER'S REPORT:

MULT

NATURE OF ACCIDENT AND STAGE OF FLIGHT:

On break away on completion of formation exercise Sgt. Simpson set course for base. After five minutes was struck by X6593 which overtook him from below. Sgt. Simpson abandoned A/C. Other A/C spun in.

COURT OF INQUIRY

DATE: 1-4-43

COMPOSITION:

S/L Finland, F.V. No. 4 T.O.
S/L Blezard, E.R.J. No. 39 S.F.T.S.
F/O Marjoram, P.C. No. 39 S.F.T.S.
F/O Langley, C.D. No. 39 S.F.T.S.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Stricter supervision of flying formation instruction particularly the giving and interpretation of signals and the method of breaking off formation. Instructors should indicate in writing that pupils are safe and steady in formation before sending them solo in formation.

PRIMARY CAUSE:

~~26. Collision in the air.~~

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ACTION TAKEN:

(A) DISCIPLINARY (B) TECHNICAL (C) OTHER

CONCLUSIONS OF A.I.B.

See accident summary No. 902.

SECONDARY CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

~~32. Pilot error.~~

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