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# Memorandum

Date: January 12, 2009  
To: Aircraft Accident File ADW-ATCT-0001  
From: Potomac Terminal Radar Approach Control Facility  
Subject: **INFORMATION:** Partial Transcript  
Aircraft Accident, Trooper 2  
District Heights, MD; September 28, 2008

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This transcription covers the Potomac Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON) facility KRANT Position for the time period from September 28, 2008, 0343 UTC to September 28, 2008, 0616 UTC.

Agencies Making Transmissions

Abbreviations

Trooper 2, AS365  
KRANT, Potomac TRACON  
Andrews Airport Traffic Control Tower  
Andrews Fire Chief 74B  
Washington National Airport Traffic Control Tower  
Patuxent River Terminal Approach Control

TPR2  
KRANT  
ADW  
N274B  
DCA  
NHK

I hereby certify that the following is a true transcription of the recorded conversations pertaining to the subject aircraft accident involving Trooper 2.

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Michelle Crain  
Support Specialist  
Potomac TRACON

0343  
(0344-0347)  
0348

0348:01 TPR2 potomac approach uh trooper two

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0348:06 KRANT trooper two potomac

0348:08 TPR2 potomac approach trooper two uh we tried to make a medevac up to p g hospital we're about seven miles northwest of andrews would like to climb to two thousand feet and shoot an approach into uh runway one left at andrews

0349  
0349:15 TRP2 approach trooper two

0349:18 KRANT trooper two potomac

0349:19 TPR2 uh yes sir i was waiting for a reply uh i i'm climbing to two thousand feet and my course is uh is two hundred degrees

0349:31 KRANT all right trooper two present position two hundred degrees is approved the altimeter two niner niner one washington tower one two zero seven five

0349:39 TPR2 no sir i want to shoot the approach at andrews

0349:49 KRANT all right i'll tell you what go direct to the you you want to shoot the i l s nineteen what runway

0349:57 TPR2 are they using nineteen uh runway one nine right

0350  
0350:01 KRANT all right runway one nine right uh turn left go northbound for runway one nine right three sixty heading trooper two

0350:09 TPR2 three six zero trooper two

0350:12 KRANT and uh i'll get your transponder code here momentarily and tell you what you can just stay on that transponder code trooper two three six zero heading vectors i l s runway one nine right just one approach into andrews or are you coming back out for another

0350:23 TPR2 no sir i've got patients onboard i'm trying to get them down

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0350:26 KRANT all right are you landing andrews or are you going to try and brake off and go somewhere else

0350:33 TPR2 uh i'm \*(gonna) land at andrews

0350:35 KRANT all right

0351  
0351:49 KRANT and trooper two the latest weather at andrews is seven miles uh one thousand eight hundred broken and the temperature uh right now is uh two one dew point one niner

0352:02 TPR2 trooper two roger we're level at two thousand feet

0352:05 KRANT trooper two roger

0352:44 KRANT trooper two do you want a uh short approach or do you want to go out to the standard three miles from the final approach fix

0352:51 TPR2 i'll take a short approach

0352:53 KRANT all right trooper two you can turn right to a heading of one zero zero

0352:57 TPR2 one zero zero for trooper two

0353  
0353:46 KRANT trooper two mile and a half from the final approach fix turn right heading one uh seven zero maintain two thousand til you're established on the localizer cleared i l s runway one right approach at andrews

0353:57 TPR2 turn right to one seven zero pick up the localizer cleared for the approach at andrews

0354  
0354:48 KRANT trooper two report established on the localizer

0354:50 TPR2 trooper two roger

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0354:54 KRANT trooper two are you on the localizer

0354:55 TPR2 trooper two affirmative

0354:57 KRANT trooper two uh you're number one andrews tower is one one eight point four

0355:01 TPR2 trooper two roger thanks  
0356  
(0357-0411)  
0412

0412:58 ADW andrews approach andrews

0413  
0413:05 KRANT go ahead yes andrews

0413:11 ADW yes do you know where um trooper was coming from they're looking for him right now

0413:17 KRANT trooper two

0413:18 ADW yeah

0413:19 KRANT he landed on one nine right

0413:22 ADW well he came in for one nine right he dropped off radar at a two mile final and they're looking for him and they wanted to know where he was coming from

0413:28 KRANT he was coming from the hospital he was trying to put a passenger down he said he was landing at andrews

0413:33 ADW yeah but he never made it

0413:35 KRANT oh he never landed at andrews

0413:36 ADW when he was on a two mile final he dropped off radar and we can't find him and

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0413:40 KRANT he was trying to go the hospital he had some passengers he was trying to drop off at the hospital i asked him so he might have went to p g hospital up there

0413:46 ADW uh i don't know he would have turned around then and we would have

0413:48 KRANT he was he turned around but he said he was trying to drop passengers off

0413:52 ADW yeah well he got to about two miles and then you think he would have said something he never said anything and we lost him and i don't know if he's down somewhere or so they're looking for him but he came off from p g

0414:02 KRANT well he came right yeah right in that in that area up in the p g area that's where he called me

0414:07 ADW okay

0414:08 KRANT (unintelligible) because he was trying to go southbound and he said he wanted to do the i l s into andrews

0414:12 ADW yeah well he was on it he called me and then i talked to him twice and then that was the end of it

0414:17 KRANT okay

0414:18 ADW so they're looking for him so they just wanted to know where he was coming from all right thanks

0414:21 KRANT all right

0414:27 ADW two seven four bravo ground

0414:30 N274B november two seven four bravo go

0414:32 ADW yeah potomac is not exactly sure where he came off of but they said he called them in the vicinity of p g hospital so he's assuming he came from there

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0414:41 N247B okay  
0415  
0416  
0416:24 KRANT hey andrews

0416:27 ADW yeah

0416:29 KRANT did you call the maryland uh state trooper

0416:33 ADW no the fire chief here is calling him because they've been waiting for him

0416:37 KRANT okay

0416:38 ADW so he talked to him he's talked to them so uh hopefully someone's looking for him  
\*(cuz)

0416:43 KRANT okay

0416:44 ADW i don't know where he is

0416:44 KRANT all right well i told the supervisor over here and i think they are trying to find  
somebody i talked to the maryland state troopers office

0416:50 ADW yeah the fire chief's uh talking to them now so hopefully they're out there

0416:54 KRANT okay

0416:55 ADW all right thanks

0416:56 KRANT all right  
0417  
(0418-0419)  
0420  
0420:47 KRANT national tower

0420:49 DCA huh

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0420:51 KRANT hello

0420:52 DCA hello

0420:53 KRANT you didn't by any chance uh talk to a trooper two did you

0420:56 DCA say what

0420:57 KRANT did trooper two by any chance call you man

0420:59 DCA call me what

0421:01 KRANT all right he was on approach to andrews and about two miles he dropped off so we're trying to find out if he bothered to call you

0421:06 DCA no he didn't call me

0421:09 KRANT i was trying to see if he diverted and went to the hospital he said he was trying to land at andrews to get his patients on the ground but two miles final andrews said they lost him so we're checking

0421:16 DCA andrews don't they don't have him either

0421:18 KRANT \*(nah) andrews don't know where they at they said too they said he was on a two mile final he was the i l s to nineteen right two miles out they lost radar with him and uh they don't know where he at i was just checking to see if he called you by any chance

0421:29 DCA did anybody check suburban hospital

0421:30 KRANT uh \*(nah) (unintelligible)

0421:31 DCA i mean p g p g

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0421:33 KRANT (unintelligible) he would have had to turn around to go back to p g but i think uh the fire chief at andrews might be checking p g county hospital and uh maybe southern maryland hospital uh southern maryland would have been the one south of andrews so

0421:45 DCA yeah yeah yeah yeah um and nobody called up the trooper trooper barracks right

0421:50 KRANT yeah they called to the troopers already but nobody knows where he's at they don't know trooper barracks don't know where he's at man so

0421:56 DCA all right i'll see if i can track him down i see if i can do something on this end

0421:58 KRANT all right man

0421:59 DCA okay big boy  
0422  
(0423-0424)  
0425

0425:07 KRANT trooper two potomac  
0426  
(0427-0429)  
0430

0430:20 DCA hey big boy you there

0430:22 KRANT yeah go ahead

0430:23 DCA hey i checked at um p g hospital i'm not getting an answer there i guess everybody's looking for him i called the police uh barracks and they uh said they haven't heard from them either uh so i think andrews uh you already switched him to andrews when he uh

0430:36 KRANT yeah he was about i switched him when he was about five miles out andrews said they saw him up to two miles

0430:40 DCA okay

0430:41 KRANT or two miles he went about up to two miles north of andrews said they were talking to him until that point in time

0430:46 DCA yeah trying to figure out what's two miles north of andrews uh landmark wise um only thing i can think of is (unintelligible) beltway about a half mile north north north of the final right

0430:57 KRANT huh

0430:58 DCA the beltway it's probably about a half mile uh north of the airport right

0431:01 KRANT yeah she she said she lost them when they was about two miles out

0431:05 DCA okay i'll just keep calling prince georges county police or not i'll check with the county see if i can (unintelligible)

0431:13 KRANT yeah i was saying he was trying to get some passengers on the ground he said he wanted to get some passengers on the ground i said are you landing at andrews he said yeah i'm \*(gonna) land at andrews so that's why he wanted the i l s nineteen right and she said he the fire chief and everything was sitting out there waiting for him but he never made it

0431:30 DCA okay uh i guess there's uh no need for me to call p g county hospital then because they've already i mean (unintelligible)

0431:36 KRANT because the fire department and everybody i figured everybody's looking for him (unintelligible) i figure i'm \*(gonna) leave it alone scheutte over there looking for him and stuff so

0431:42 DCA okay

0431:43 KRANT i just figured somebody's \*(gonna) let me know what happens with it

0431:45 DCA yeah somebody let you know give me a call and let me know

0431:47 KRANT all right i will man

0431:48 DCA all right big boy bye

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0431:49 KRANT take care bye bye

0431:49 DCA see ya bye  
0432  
(0433-0438)  
0439

0439:55 KRANT andrews

0439:59 ADW yeah

0439:59 KRANT you heard anything about trooper yet

0440:01 ADW no i've been on the phone with the forrestville barracks and everybody else to go look for him nobody knows where he is

0440:06 KRANT okay

0440:09 ADW so i don't think they've looked yet so if i hear anything i'll let you know

0440:12 KRANT all right thanks

0440:14 ADW \*(yep) bye  
0441  
(0442-0453)  
0454

0454:46 NHK krant pax seven six oh correction two nine two mount vernon or uh

0454:50 KRANT mount vernon

0454:52 NHK hey uh have you guys talked to a trooper two helicopter at all

0454:55 KRANT yeah we talked to him he was on final to andrews and uh about a two mile final but they're looking for him now

0455:00 NHK all right so did he ever made it to andrews do you know

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0455:03 KRANT uh no he was on a two mile final and he dropped off the radar at andrews andrews tower was talking to him about two miles out so we're looking for him now

0455:11 NHK so andrews tower doesn't have him though huh

0455:13 KRANT no

0455:14 NHK all right good deal thank you \*(yup)

0456  
0456:01 DCA hey big boy you on

0456:02 KRANT \*(yo) man go ahead

0456:03 DCA hey uh eagle's just east of us he's trying to go out that way and get to them but he's says uh he's got a solid layer out front and they can't get to them so he's \*(gonna) go down south and try to go around the beltway

0456:13 KRANT really

0456:14 DCA yeah

0456:16 KRANT i was showing eighteen hundred for andrews i guess it must have been solid when he was making an approach into andrews

0456:19 DCA yeah we're showing right now we're we're showing we're advertising uh eight hundred a broken layer (unintelligible) overcast at sixteen but uh every one of these guys that's gone down that way they uh i don't know if you saw medstar come off and go down south and go back he couldn't get past the bridge and i don't know if you saw medstar then he came back up he said it's deteriorating around the city at the time it was four hundred feet around the city

0456:40 KRANT yeah okay (unintelligible)

0456:42 DCA but he had to go he had to go back up around the uh p area that's how he (unintelligible) the medstar

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0456:48 KRANT (unintelligible) kind of bad (unintelligible) because he was uh he was given the weather at andrews which i guess is probably not up to date seven miles and one thousand eight hundred broken

0456:58 DCA \*(nah) it's still i mean the weather is still is still showing \*(cuz) we showing ten miles visibility but uh we still showing because uh the latest observation we got here is eight hundred over eight hundred broken fifteen overcast but the visibility is still showing at ten and you can still see i mean clear and unbelievable down low uh nobody's on final you're the only one out there

0457:23 KRANT okay

0457:24 DCA i'm \*(gonna) run around and see what happened

0457:26 KRANT all right

0457:27 DCA okay big boy i'll keep you posted let you know what's happening

0457:28 KRANT all right i appreciate it

0457:30 DCA okay bye bye

0457:45 NHK mount vernon pax

0457:50 KRANT mount vernon mount vernon

0457:56 NHK hey uh hey that trooper helicopter was he uh coming in the northbound runway or the southbound runway

0458:00 KRANT he was landing to the south

0458:02 NHK he was landing from the south

0458:03 KRANT yeah he was on approach to nineteen right

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0458:06 NHK runway one nine right all right thanks

0458:09 KRANT yeah all right  
0459  
(0500-0528)  
0529

0529:41 DCA hey big boy

0529:44 KRANT go ahead

0529:45 DCA yeah the weather is starting to deteriorate uh eagle's going to go ahead and land right now uh andrews they they are \*(gonna) try to get a hold of the coast guard and see if they want to take a stab at it

0529:53 KRANT okay

0529:54 DCA all right man talk to you in a bit

0529:55 KRANT okay  
0530  
(0531-0607)  
0608

0608:25 ADW potomac andrews question potomac andrews

0609  
0609:20 KRANT andrews did you call andrews potomac

0609:47 ADW krant i'm here potomac

0609:50 KRANT yeah did you call

0609:51 ADW yeah uh i was on with somebody else hey um our ops down here was wanting to know what trooper's beacon code was and i never looked so do you have a strip or do you remember

0609:59 KRANT (unintelligible) he was on the standard beacon code for trooper so hold on just a second

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0610:02 ADW okay (unintelligible)

0610:52 KRANT uh andrews it should have been five one zero two

0610:58 ADW five one zero two thanks a lot

0610:59 KRANT all right  
0611  
(0612-0615)  
0616

End of Transcript

\* This portion of the re-recording is not entirely clear, but represents the best interpretation possible under the circumstances.



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## Memorandum

Date: January 14, 2009

To: Aircraft Accident File ADW-ATCT-0001

From: Andrews AFB Airport Traffic Control Tower

Subject: INFORMATION: Partial Transcript  
 Aircraft Accident, TROOPER2  
 District Heights, MD, September 28, 2008

This transcription covers the Andrews AFB Airport Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) LC LC position for the time period from September 28, 2008, 0350 UTC, to September 28, 2008, 0544 UTC.

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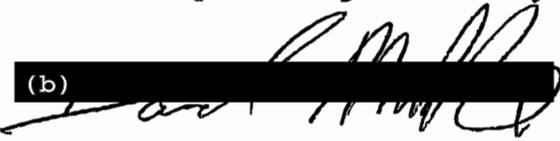
Abbreviations

Trooper Two  
 Local Control  
 Chief 74B  
 BASE WEATHER  
 BASE FIRE DEPARTMENT  
 KRANT SECTOR  
 PCT OMIC  
 REAGAN NATIONAL TOWER  
 ANDREWS BASE OPERATIONS  
 ANDREWS COMMAND POST  
 GROUND OPERATIONS  
 MARYLAND STATE POLICE  
 SYSCOM- MSP DISPATCH  
 P G AIR ONE

TRP2  
 LC  
 CHIEF74B  
 BASEWX  
 ADWFD  
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 P G AIR1

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0350  
 (0351-0354)  
 0355  
 0355:12 TRP2 andrews tower trooper two

0355:20 LC trooper two andrews tower

0355:22 TRP2 andrews tower trooper two's with you off uh on the localizer for runway one nine right

0355:30 LC trooper two roger runway one inner right cleared for the option wind zero nine zero at five

0355:35 TRP2 uh trooper two roger we'll be landing at the base of the tower

0355:38 LC okay

0355:39 LC and you can break it off at your discretion for the ramp use caution there's a closure of whiskey just abeam of the tower rows uh looks like two and three

0355:48 TRP2 trooper two roger  
0356

0356:45 TRP2 andrews tower trooper two i'm not picking up the glide slope

0356:50 LC trooper two roger uh it's showing green on the panel but uh you're the only aircraft we've had in a long time so i don't really know if it's working or not

0357:00 TRP2 okay can i get an a-s-r approach in

0357:04 LC i don't have anybody to do that um i'm not current on that i can't do it  
0358  
0359

0359:34 CHIEF74B andrews ground control chief seven four b

0359:47 LC chief seven four bravo andrews

0359:48 CHIEF74B yes ma'am good evening almost morning have you been advised of uh trooper two being inbound

0359:50 LC yeah he's somewhere on final i lost him on radar but he was on or about a three mile final

0359:58 CHIEF74B okay we were called by p-g fire apparently due to weather he's going to land at the bears den and they're going to have two ground units come in and transport

some patients um i need to go to the bears den from row one to help facilitate that

0400:16 LC (unintelligible) last i heard he was coming straight to the tower so i'm not sure what's going on

0400:22 LC trooper two ground

0400:56 LC trooper two you on tower  
0401

0401:06 LC chief seven four bravo ground

0401:08 CHIEF74B yes ma'am go ahead

0401:10 LC do you see him anywhere i lost him on radar when he was about two and a half miles out he's not answering me now and last i heard he was coming to the uh you know breaking off for the ramp here but uh i can't see out the window at all i can see your lights and that's about it

0401:26 CHIEF74B no ma'am i do not see him at this point and i don't see him over in front of the bears den uh i'll try to check another radio frequency and get back to you

0401:37 LC trooper two ground

0401:47 LC can you ride out chief seven four bravo can you ride out to the north there maybe he landed short or something happened i just he's not answering the radio and i (unintelligible) just lost radar on him at about a two mile final so i don't know what's going on

0402:00 CHIEF74B okay ma'am i'm trying to reach him on another frequency uh stand by

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0404:10 CHIEF74B andrews ground seventy four bravo

0404:12 LC seven four bravo ground

0404:13 CHIEF74B yes ma'am they tell me on the other frequency he was planning on going to the bears den i'd like get i'd like clearance to go there to see if he's on the ground there

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0404:24 LC uh chief seven four bravo affirmative you can cross both  
runways proceed to the bears den

0404:33 CHIEF74B seventy four bravo proceeding  
0405  
0406

0406:21 BASEWX go ahead tower

0406:22 LC is there new weather

0406:24 BASEWX yeah he just sent it

0406:25 LC huh

0406:26 BASEWX he just sent it

0406:27 LC uh it's just still showing the two five five so

0406:29 BASEWX he just sent it this second

0406:31 LC okay

0406:32 BASEWX okay

0406:32 LC alright thanks

0406:33 BASEWX bye

0406:34 LC bye  
0407

0408:00 ADWFD fire department

0408:01 LC hi i'm putting the generators on we have a five hundred  
foot ceiling

0408:04 ADWFD you're putting the generators on

0408:05 LC yeah

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0408:06 ADWFD alright thanks

0408:07 LC bye bye

0408:26 CHIEF74B andrews ground chief seven four bravo

0408:29 LC seven four bravo go ahead

0408:33 CHIEF74B yes ma'am i do not see the maryland state police  
helicopter here at the bears den can you attempt to  
raise on their frequency again

0408:44 LC trooper two andrews tower

0408:52 LC trooper two andrews

0408:56 LC chief seven four bravo i lost his radar at about a two  
mile final i don't know if he was low and it's just lost  
on radar or if he went down out in the to the north so i  
don't know what's happened to him

0409

0409:09 CHIEF74B okay i see the two p g mobile units approaching the  
hangar uh we're gonna make contact with the state police  
uh in forestville and see if they know his whereabouts

0409:18 LC alright

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0411

0412

0412:15 LC chief seven four bravo ground

0412:21 CHIEF74B yes ma'am i'm on the phone with maryland state police  
forestville they're asking um do you know when they were  
uh two miles out approaching from the north do you know  
where they they were coming from

0412:33 LC i don't know where he was coming from he just said he  
was he was just on the approach an i l s approach and um  
i lost him about two miles out he had been flying the  
approach um but i don't know where he was coming from um  
i can call potomac they might have known

0412:49 CHIEF74B okay are you gonna call them

0412:52 LC yeah i'll call them for you

0412:58 LC andrews approach andrews  
0413

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0416:50 LC yeah the fire chief's uh talking to them now so hopefully they're out there

0416:54 KRANT okay

0416:55 LC alright thanks

0416:56 KRANT alright

0416:59 LC chief seven four bravo ground  
0417

0417:01 CHIEF74B seventy four bravo ground

0417:04 LC can either the troopers or you or somebody go check the fields north of here because i'm just afraid if he had to put it down or something he's been out there for a while and um you know maybe somebody should go look up there

0417:15 CHIEF74B yes ma'am i'm um while i'm on the phone with m s p forestville i'm gonna head north on echo and check up at the north end

0417:23 LC (unintelligible)  
0418  
(0419-0420)  
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0421:16 CHIEF74B andrews ground control chief seventy four b

0421:19 LC chief seven four bravo go ahead

0421:20 CHIEF74B yes ma'am i don't see anything yet i'm up on the north end do i have clearance to move around up here freely and take a look

0421:27 LC yeah you can have uh you can cross both runways as you need and like i said i lost him about two miles out so if he did have to set it down he might be a good couple miles north of the field

0421:39 CHIEF74B okay i'm gonna move around

0421:43 LC (unintelligible)  
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0422:45 CHIEF74B andrews ground chief seventy four b uh is your phone number three o one nine eight one four seven six eight

0422:51 LC yeah that's one of them

0422:53 CHIEF74B okay m s p forestville will probably be calling you momentarily

0422:57 LC okay  
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0424:10 OMIC andrews potomac

0424:14 LC andrews

0424:15 OMIC hey how ya doing

0424:16 LC uh huh

0424:17 OMIC hey um understand that trooper two was going to be coming in landing and the fire chief is waiting on him there

0424:23 LC what

0424:25 OMIC uh right he never made it

0424:27 OMIC he never made it okay i understand that

0424:29 LC right

0424:30 OMIC it was there's somebody at the airport waiting for him

0424:33 LC um i don't know (unintelligible) (unintelligible) he told me he wanted to land in front of the tower the fire chief was out there saying he wanted to go over to the (unintelligible) and i don't know who was coming for him or where he was going so i mean there is nobody right in front of the tower

0424:49 OMIC right and

0424:50 LC i'm assuming that there was going to be an ambulance over here you know to pick up patients but there's nobody over here and i can't see that well over to the (unintelligible)

0424:57 OMIC okay so he never cancelled with you and you lost radar with him about two north

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0425:01 LC yeah yeah he came over he said he wasn't picking up the glide slope i said it's showing green but you're the only airplane you know we've had in a long time and then he asked for an a s r and i'm not current and i said i can't give him one

0425:12 OMIC okay

0425:13 LC and that was it i mean he didn't say okay or anything and uh he was still on radar for a little while and then that was about three and a half to four out and then around two out i just lost him on radar and i called and i didn't get anything

0425:26 OMIC okay

0425:27 LC and the fire chief was looking for him

0425:29 OMIC okay

0425:30 LC and so he's looking for him now

0425:32 OMIC okay

0425:33 LC so i don't know where he is

0425:34 OMIC okay thank you very much bye

0425:35 LC alright bye  
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0428:31 DCA andrews tower national tower

0428:39 LC andrews

0428:40 DCA hey you guys ah probably sure everybody's been checking with you you guys haven't talked to that trooper two at all though right

0428:45 LC no i'm the one that's looking for him he

0428:48 DCA you you're looking for him

0428:49 LC i lost radar about two miles out and i go i can't find him

0428:53 CHIEF74B ground chief seven four b

0428:56 LC chief seven four bravo ground

0428:59 CHIEF74B yes ma'am i've been uh talking with the p g fire folks and m s p forestville and they're checking with syscom out of baltimore nobody's able to put their finger on exactly where uh trooper two might be located and that's me coming south on whiskey i'm just looking around

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0429:17 LC okay well i don't know if there's any way but somebody needs to look a couple miles north of the field because he was inbound when i lost radar and he didn't turn around so i mean he might have put it down or but he's he might be on a road or a field somewhere just north

0429:36 CHIEF74B okay ma'am m s p forestville was asking for uh for lat and long did you give that to them

0429:43 LC i haven't talked to them they haven't called and i wouldn't know it would be whatever two miles north or the field is

0429:54 CHIEF74B okay ma'am if you're able it might be beneficial if you speak to them and let them know what you have they're at uh three o one five six eight eight one zero one

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0430:09 LC okay thanks  
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0431:26 OMIC hey andrews

0431:33 LC hey andrews

0431:34 OMIC hey uh this is ken uh from potomac again

0431:37 LC uh huh

0431:38 OMIC hey do me a favor and uh just make some notes of uh this incident while it's still fresh in your mind

0431:44 LC okay

0431:45 OMIC we're starting to get everything rolling on this okay

0431:47 LC okay

0431:48 OMIC hey thanks a lot

0431:49 LC alright bye bye  
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(0433-0435)  
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0436:04 CHIEF74B andrews ground chief seven four b

0436:06 LC chief seven four bravo go ahead

0436:08 CHIEF74B yes ma'am i'm at the north end up on november uh i've

looked all around here i don't see him here and uh hopefully you've passed the (unintelligible) information you have on to uh m s p forestville and w're doing some additional checking i'm heading back over to the uh to the bears den to meet with the p g units

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0439:55 KRANT andrews

0439:58 LC yeah

0439:59 KRANT you heard anything about trooper yet  
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0440:01 LC no i've been on the phone with the forrestville barracks and everybody else to go look for him nobody knows where he is

0440:06 KRANT okay

0440:09 LC so i don't think they've looked yet so if i hear anything i'll let you know

0440:12 KRANT alright thanks

0440:14 LC yep bye

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0442:39 BASEOPS go ahead

0442:40 LC hey just wanted to let you know i had trooper inbound uh forty minutes ago and he never arrived and i lost him about two miles out uh i'm notifying you he's still missing

0442:53 BASEOPS still missing okay

0442:54 LC they haven't found him and he hasn't called that he diverted anywhere no one's heard from him so

0442:59 BASEOPS okay  
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0443:01 LC but he was inbound right around midnight and uh like i said i lost radar on him about two miles so chief seven

four b's been out there but he really doesn't go beyond the fence

0443:09 BASEOPS okay

0443:10 LC and i told forestville the troopers so hopefully they're looking out there

0443:16 BASEOPS alright thank you

0443:17 LC alright yep

0443:18 BASEOPS bye  
0444

0444:02 LC andrews tower recorded line

0444:07 LC uh huh

0444:08 ADWCP uh quick question do you know anything about a lost aircraft cause we're get we're hearing rumors a out that i was wondering what kind of aircraft it was

0444:15 LC it's one of uh it's uh trooper two the state police helicopter state police

0444:18 ADWCP oh okay

0444:21 LC uh he was inbound here and uh we lost him on radar about two miles out and uh i couldn't get a hold of him and nobody's heard from him and uh chief seven four b's been driving around the field and the um state troopers are looking for him north of the field i don't know if he set down somewhere if he crashed or if he diverted and just

0444:40 ADWCP hi this is sergeant mcrae i'm calling from the andrews command post

0444:44 ADWCP hasn't called in yet

0444:45 LC i have no idea it's been like forty five minutes now and no one's found him yet so but that's who it was but i

can't tell you much more cause they haven't found him i  
don't really know what's going on with him

0444:59      ADWCP      thank you for your help  
0445

0445:01      LC            okay

0445:02      ADWCP      bye

0445:03      LC            bye  
0446  
(0447-0451)  
0452

0452:16      DCA            andrews tower pointout

0452:22      LC            yeah go ahead

0452:23      DCA            two north northeast of national gonna go over to your  
side with eagle two he wants to stay on my frequency if  
that's fine with you he's looking for trooper

0452:30      LC            yeah that's approved

0452:31      DCA            thank you (unintelligible)  
0453  
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0454:27      LC            tower

0454:28      GO            hey it's ground ops um do you know like what was your  
last transmission uh the state trooper the head  
department wants to know like if you have coordinates or  
anything on him or

0454:39      LC            he was about a two mile final

0454:41      GO            he was on a two mile final

0454:43      LC            yeah he was inbound i guess he was uh was gonna drop his  
passengers off and they were going to take them by  
ambulance because the weather was coming down he was  
inbound on the i l s he complained he couldn't pick up  
the glide slope and uh (unintelligible) that was about  
three and a half four miles out at about two miles he  
dropped off radar

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0455:03 GO alright

0455:04 LC and i haven't talked to him since they're looking for him now

0455:06 GO right

0455:07 LC yeah

0455:08 GO okay

0455:09 LC alright bye

0455:48 CHIEF74B andrews ground chief seven four b

0455:49 LC chief seven four bravo ground

0455:51 CHIEF74B yes ma'am i'm still at the bears den with the p g units any updates from your side

0455:59 LC no the only thing i know is that eagle two is out there looking for him

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0456:04 CHIEF74B copy eagle two's up okay thank you  
0457

0457:32 LC andrews tower recorded line

0457:33 ADWCP hey sergeant mcrae again i'm sorry um quick question when was the last time you guys got a hold of the state troopers and do you know if they've been in contact with him since

0457:43 LC i've talked to syscom their dispatch i've talked to the forestville barracks matter of fact i have them on the phone now no one's talked to him chief seven four b has talked to them ten times also and no one knows where he is and no one's gotten a hold of him

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0458:02 ADWCP and you said you just got off the phone with them though

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0458:04 LC no they're waiting for this i said hold on one second  
cause you just called they're on the phone right now but  
they're just asking for more information they don't know

0458:15 ADWCP okay

0458:16 LC i have no i guess no other information other than you  
know two miles out is the last time i saw him

0458:23 ADWCP two miles out

0458:25 LC on radar i can't see out the window (unintelligible)

0458:28 ADWCP we don't have the windows either

0458:30 LC oh i have windows but the weather's just bad out there  
so i can't see

0458:32 ADWCP oh

0458:35 LC yeah and that's it

0458:36 ADWCP alright and what are your initials

0458:38 LC t m tango mike

0458:40 ADWCP thank you

0458:41 LC uh huh bye

0458:42 ADWCP bye  
0459  
0500

0500:05 LC andrews tower recorded line

0500:07 MSP hey this is sergeant lipsky state police forestville is  
there any way that we can get a hold of the coast guard  
or something with their blackhawks or something that can  
check the area cause they can fly in this weather

0500:16 LC uh huh i thought eagle was out he didn't go out

0500:20 MSP oh eagle well i thought they said eagle was it was too dense for eagle to go

0500:24 LC oh last i heard he was going out but uh maybe he didn't cause i don't see him on radar um let me call i tell ya i'll call potomac and see if they can get a hold of them i don't

0500:33 MSP alright who am i talking to

0500:35 LC my name is teal tango mike teal

0500:37 MSP teal

0500:37 LC yeah

0500:38 MSP like the color

0500:39 LC yep

0500:39 MSP t e a l

0500:40 LC yep

0500:41 MSP and the last name

0500:42 LC hyman h y m a n

0500:43 MSP h y m a n alright thank you very much

0500:45 LC and i'll try to call potomac approach i don't have a direct number for them but maybe they do

0500:49 MSP okay

0500:50 LC alright

0500:51 MSP alright thank you

0500:52 LC yep bye

0500:53 MSP huh  
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0503:24 LC andrews tower recorded line

0503:26 SYSCOM hi this is captain noyes from syscom

0503:28 LC uh huh

0503:28 SYSCOM um i need to get some information i got people uh asking a lot of questions i need to make sure i have the information correct if you can help me um when as the can you recall the last what the time was when you last um had contact with the

0503:43 LC right around midnight i mean give or take a minute or two

0503:46 SYSCOM it was around midnight

0503:47 LC zero four zero two something like that

0503:49 SYSCOM double zero triple zero two something like that

0503:52 LC yeah

0503:53 SYSCOM okay and

0503:54 LC sorry i said four zero two zulu

0503:56 SYSCOM now they were making an approach to the airport to the air base right

0503:59 LC yeah

0504:00 SYSCOM and you had radio contact with him at the time

0504:02 LC yeah

0504:03 SYSCOM and then what happened

0504:04 LC he complained he wasn't picking up some of the equipment for the approach

0504:08 SYSCOM um hmm

0504:09 LC and um i told him that our panel was showing it's green which means it's working but that i didn't have any other airplanes so i thought (unintelligible)

0504:16 SYSCOM he was um about three to four miles out

0504:17 LC yeah when he complained and um

0504:20 SYSCOM what'd he say what about the glide slope

0504:21 LC that's what he complained about

0504:22 SYSCOM okay he had no glide slope

0504:24 LC he couldn't pick it up yeah i don't know if you're a pilot but that's what

0504:28 SYSCOM yeah no i'm not a pilot i just (unintelligible)

0504:30 LC this one keeps you up and down it's not the left right it's the up and down one it's like the line that slants down that keeps ya your altitude correct

0504:39 SYSCOM you know do you have a particular location a north and west location

0504:45 LC you know i can't do lat longs here i mean i don't know how to do it all i can tell you is he was on a two mile final which is approximately two miles north of andrews

0504:54 SYSCOM do you know if he was north directly north or northwest

0504:57 LC well it's a zero one zero heading the runway you know so almost due north and um but when he complained he was



0506:21 LC yeah

0506:22 SYSCOM okay and let them know that you'd lost him okay  
(unintelligible)

0506:24 LC and the fire chief also

0506:27 SYSCOM and the fire chief (unintelligible) fire

0506:29 LC talked to him

0506:31 SYSCOM okay what's your name ma'am

0506:32 LC teal hyman t e a l

0506:34 SYSCOM t e a l

0506:35 LC uh huh

0506:36 SYSCOM that's the first name

0506:36 LC uh huh

0506:37 SYSCOM and the last name

0506:39 LC hyman h y m a n

0506:40 SYSCOM h y m okay alright thank you very much

0506:41 LC uh huh

0506:42 SYSCOM bye bye

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0508:13 LC chief seven four b you still on ground

0508:23 LC chief seven four b ground

0508:27 CHIEF74B yes ma'am still at the bears den go ahead

0508:30 LC yeah i had a question do you know if anyone's notified the p g county police i don't know if they have more resources to go look um i don't know if they've been notified or if they have to be

0508:41 CHIEF74B uh ma'am i don't know for sure but m s p forestville i'm sure has probably notified them to have all their patrols keep an eye out but we're gonna we're gonna double check that now

0508:52 LC alright thanks

0508:57 CHIEF74B and ma'am is eagle two are they up on one one nine point three  
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0509:02 LC i've never talked to them the weather is um getting worse and worse here so last i heard he turned back he wasn't able to come

0509:09 CHIEF74B okay understand thank you  
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0510:54 LC andrews tower recorded line

0510:56 BASEOPS hey this is p w downstairs i'm about to call captain holtzman about this state trooper is there uh you got any updates on him  
0511

0511:02 LC nope uhhh no one's found him they don't know where he is um eagle the park police was going to look for him but turned back because of the weather

0511:13 BASEOPS okay the park police

0511:16 LC yeah and uh but he wasn't able to work we have like a two hundred foot ceiling now so i's going to be rough for anybody to get there

0511:23 BASEOPS yeah

0511:25 LC um the forestville barracks the state police know the chief's out there doing his thing

0511:30 BASEOPS have y'all alerted your local city police

0511:33 LC the state police know i don't know about p g county i asked chief seven four b if anyone has called them he didn't know but i've called their syscom their dispatch state police and also their barracks and the we still haven't found them so i don't know

0511:50 BASEOPS okay thank you

0511:52 LC alright bye  
0512

0512:13 LC andrews tower recorded line

0512:15 ADWCP hey how you doin matthews down here in the command post hey you don't know anything about a lifeflight coming in do you

0512:21 LC uh yeah he was uh i lost him about two miles out about an hour ago

0512:27 ADWCP oh is that the state trooper or the lifeflight

0512:29 LC um that the only i don't know if you're talking about somebody else i don't know i don't have any any strips or anything but trooper was due in

0512:37 ADWCP right yeah i'm aware of that one i just got a phone call from the emergency room and they said a family just arrived there said they got a family member en route to andrews lifeflight

0512:48 LC maybe they meant trooper trooper you know was putting it down here i don't know

0512:52 ADWCP but you haven't heard anything else

0512:54 LC i don't haven't gotten any i don't have anything on anybody right now and um with our weather i don't think anybody's going to make it here we're like two hundred foot ceilings now so i anybody can try but i doubt they'd make it anyway  
0513

0513:08 ADWCP alright thank you very much

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0513:09 LC okay

0513:10 ADWCP bye bye  
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0514:20 LC andrews tower recorded line

0514:21 PGAIR1 yeah this is p g air one how are you doing

0514:25 PGAIR1 have you guys been talking to trooper two

0514:27 LC no we've been looking for him for an hour

0514:30 PGAIR1 did you ever have contact with him

0514:31 LC yes he was inbound on final he complained he wasn't picking up the glide slope about three and a half four miles out and then about two miles i lost him on radar and i haven't been able to find him talk to him or they're all looking for him now

0514:48 PGAIR1 okay thank you  
0515  
(0516-0517)  
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0518:36 LC andrews tower recorded line

0518:37 PGAIR1 yeah andrews this is p g again

0518:39 LC uh huh

0518:40 PGAIR1 hey what they were shooting an i l s to which runway

0518:42 LC one nine right

0518:43 PGAIR1 one nine right thanks  
0519  
(0520-0534)  
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0535:51 OMIC andrews potomac

0535:55 LC andrews

0535:56 OMIC hey how you doin

0535:57 LC uh huh

0535:58 OMIC okay hey uh we switched him over to you about fifty five  
0536 after the hour uh zero three five five zulu

0536:04 LC okay

0536:05 OMIC and you talked to him correctly

0536:07 LC yes

0536:08 OMIC okay do you know what time you lost him

0536:10 LC uh right around midnight

0536:12 OMIC so right about zero four hundred

0536:13 LC yeah

0536:14 OMIC yeah okay and he no indication nothing correct

0536:18 LC what

0536:19 OMIC there was nothing he didn't say anything other than the  
fact that he wasn't getting the glide slope

0536:23 LC he wasn't getting the glide slope he asked for an a s r  
and i said i'm not current i can't do that

0536:28 OMIC right

0536:29 LC he seemed to be right on the localizer fine i mean you  
know watching him track the only other thing that was  
odd was he's i got one hit he was like at fifteen  
hundred feet

0536:35 OMIC yeah

0536:36 LC and then i start getting the #'s and i don't know if that was him not putting it out or you know it's not updating

0536:42 OMIC right okay you're not getting his e l t right

0536:44 LC no never got anything

0536:46 OMIC okay

0536:47 LC and uh i told him i couldn't do an a s r and another you know mile and a half or whatever went by and then i lost him on radar

0536:53 OMIC okay um if i would uh you got a controller statement there

0536:59 LC no i'm by myself i don't we don't have forms i don't believe up in the tower i got notes but that's it i mean

0537  
0537:05 OMIC okay do this just write up your notes kind of in chronological order because you probably uh t! y'll probably (unintelligible)

0537:12 LC yeah yeah i've been too busy i got everybody calling me

0537:16 OMIC and uh do you have any other aircraft up looking for him or what are they doing

0537:19 LC they can't do it because of the weather

0537:20 OMIC aw jeez

0537:21 LC we're two hundred and a half now

0537:22 OMIC what what's north of ya is that water or ground

0537:26 LC uh it's it's ground it's um just west of the beltway it's like between pennsylvania avenue and cen al avenue i don't know if you know where that is but

0537:34 OMIC yeah

0537:35 LC it's uh it's south of fed ex and just stuff up there i mean little warehouses and houses

0537:41 OMIC oh great

0537:42 LC you know but you think someone would see him if he

0537:45 OMIC yeah well probably (unintelligible)

0537:46 LC you know it's saturday night

0537:48 OMIC yeah i talked to maryland state police and they haven't talked to him

0537:50 LC no they haven't found him they're supposedly looking for him and uh i called the dispatch out of baltimore they have not heard from him either

0537:56 OMIC okay

0537:57 LC and um i think i guess you or uh national somebody told me eagle attempted to go out and turned back

0538 0538:02 OMIC yeah okay

0538:03 LC and uh i talked to the blackjack guys and they told me to call atlantic city because they do the search and rescue and to talk to them

0538:10 OMIC okay and you did that

0538:12 LC um that's my next call

0538:13 OMIC okay

0538:14 LC and i've gotta call the r o c i haven't done them yet

0538:15 OMIC alright okay i already talked to the r o let the r o c

know that we're looking for this guy

0538:19 LC oh so i don't have to call them

0538:20 OMIC uh they know what's going on on this but um i'll see what they're doing on the uh search and rescue side of it

0538:26 LC okay i'll give them a call then alright

0538:28 OMIC alright i'll let you do that and you let me know what's going on

0538:30 LC okay alright

0538:31 OMIC and let me give you my phone number here uh five four zero

0538:35 LC i'm sorry uh my line cut off what did you say

0538:38 OMIC my uh phone number here five four zero

0538:39 LC uh huh

0538:40 OMIC three four nine

0538:41 LC uh huh

0538:42 OMIC seven five eight six

0538:43 LC seven five eight six okay

0538:45 OMIC thank you bye bye

0538:46 LC yeah  
0539  
(0540-0543)  
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# Memorandum

Date: January 12, 2009  
To: Aircraft Accident File ADW-ATCT-0001  
From: Potomac Terminal Radar Approach Control Facility  
Subject: **INFORMATION:** Partial Transcript  
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This transcription covers the Potomac Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON) Operations Manager In Charge (OMIC) Position for the time period from September 28, 2008, 0419 UTC to September 28, 2008, 0605 UTC.

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Abbreviations

Operations Manager In Charge, Potomac TRACON	OMIC
Andrews Airport Traffic Control Tower	ADW
National Capital Region Coordination Center	NCRCC
Washington Flight Service Station	FSS
Washington Air Route Traffic Control Center	ZDC

I hereby certify that the following is a true transcription of the recorded conversations pertaining to the subject aircraft accident involving Trooper 2.

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Michelle Crain  
Support Specialist  
Potomac TRACON

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0424:10    OMIC    andrews potomac

0424:14    ADW    andrews

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0424:15 OMIC hey how ya doing

0424:16 ADW uh huh

0424:17 OMIC hey um understand that trooper two was going to be coming in landing and the fire chief is waiting on him there

0424:23 ADW what

0424:25 OMIC uh trooper two coming to your airport

0424:26 ADW all right he never made it

0424:27 OMIC he never made it okay i understand that

0424:29 ADW right

0424:30 OMIC it was there's somebody at the airport waiting for him

0424:33 ADW um i don't know (unintelligible) he told me he wanted to land in front of the tower the fire chief was out there saying he wanted to go over to the (unintelligible) end i don't know who was coming for him or where he was going so i mean there is nobody right in front of the tower

0424:49 OMIC right and

0424:50 ADW i'm assuming that there was going to be an ambulance over here you know to pick up patients but there's nobody over here and i can't see that well over to the (unintelligible)

0424:57 OMIC okay so he never cancelled with you and you lost radar with him about two north

0425:01 ADW yeah yeah he came over he said he wasn't picking up the glide slope i said it's showing green but you're the only airplane you know we've had in a long time and then he asked for an a s r and i'm not current and i said i can't give him one

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0425:12 OMIC okay

0425:13 ADW and that was it i mean he didn't say okay or anything and uh he was still on radar for a little while and then that was about three and a half to four out and then around two out i just lost him on radar and i called and i didn't get anything

0425:26 OMIC okay

0425:27 ADW and the fire chief was looking for him

0425:29 OMIC okay

0425:30 ADW and so he's looking for him now

0425:32 OMIC okay

0425:32 ADW so i i don't know where he is

0425:34 OMIC okay thank you very much bye

0425:35 ADW all right bye  
0426  
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0431:26 OMIC hey andrews

0431:33 ADW hey andrews

0431:34 OMIC hey uh this is uh ken uh from potomac again

0431:37 ADW uh huh

0431:38 OMIC hey do me a favor and uh just make some notes of uh this incident while it's still fresh in your mind

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0431:44 ADW okay

0431:45 OMIC we're starting to get everything rolling on this okay

0431:47 ADW okay

0431:48 OMIC hey thanks a lot

0431:49 ADW alright bye bye

0432  
0432:31 OMIC potomac tracon schuette

0432:33 NCRCC hey this is stephanie over here at the n c r c c how are you

0432:35 OMIC hey stephanie how you doing

0432:36 NCRCC hey not bad hey secret service called or was that inquiring about i guess trooper two

0432:42 OMIC right i'm starting to check up we lost radar with him uh a couple miles north of andrews he was on an approach and uh state maryland state police cannot get a hold of him so we may have an aircraft down

0432:54 NCRCC he may be down

0432:55 OMIC he may be down they can't get a hold of him they tried his cell phone and on radio and uh so i'm starting to do the notifications uh i just talked to the andrews controller and uh i told her to start making uh notes about uh the incident for in case we go that way you know to keep it fresh and i'm going to start calling my folks

0433:14 NCRCC okay and his last position was two north of andrews

0433:16 OMIC yeah that's uh that's a rough guesstimate from the controllers statements and uh let me see do you guys have the preset beacon codes for these guys you could probably do a uh track

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0433:27 NCRCC yeah

0433:28 OMIC and see if you can see anything can you do a historical track on it

0433:31 NCRCC well uh only if it's up and running so i was looking to see if you know i could find an old track of his c d p and we couldn't find anything

0433:41 OMIC okay okay so he may be down

0433:45 NCRCC so okay so his last known position was two north and who was he talking to though

0433:49 OMIC he was talking to andrews tower

0433:50 NCRCC and they said they hadn't been able to raise him

0433:52 OMIC that's that's correct

0433:54 NCRCC do you know what time this happened do you know

0433:55 OMIC uh about uh seventeen after the hour

0433:58 NCRCC about seventeen after

0433:59 OMIC right i was notified about that and it just happened so anywhere from uh say between ten and seventeen

0434:05 NCRCC okay

0434:06 OMIC i'm gonna go through some uh some tapes and see if i can uh figure it out

0434:10 NCRCC right and

0434:11 OMIC but i've gotta start doing some calls

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0434:12 NCRCC you're gonna call your regional office and all that right

0434:15 OMIC i'm gonna call my um i'm and i'm actually starting to look at my checklist now

0434:19 NCRCC okay i'll just send a little message to my guys just my folks about you know last communicated at seventeen after

0434:26 OMIC yeah

0434:26 NCRCC okay sounds great

0434:27 OMIC okay and i'll try to get you another

0434:29 NCRCC an update

0434:30 OMIC uh another update as soon as i can

0434:30 NCRCC okay

0434:31 OMIC all righty thanks bye

0434:32 NCRCC uh huh bye bye  
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0509:42 FSS flight service how may i help you

0509:43 OMIC hey flight service potomac tracon uh we might have a possible aircraft down so could you just put an alnot out

0509:49 FSS okay sure not a problem gonna need some information from you and uh start with the call sign here

0509:54 OMIC okay it was trooper two

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0509:57 FSS trooper two

0509:58 OMIC yeah maryland state police aircraft it's a helicopter it's a dauphin and uh it was last on radar about two north of andrews air force base and uh do you guys print something up on that when you do it

0510:17 FSS well actually we just you know we do not uh frankly i've never had to do an alnot before in my life

0510:24 OMIC okay

0510:25 FSS but uh let's take a look here uh might i ask we're printing something up uh why do you ask about that

0510:33 OMIC uh that came from the uh folks at the regional office one of the guys was asking for it and i'm just trying to placate it

0510:42 FSS okay did you talk to the r c c about that already

0510:45 OMIC uh actually i talked to the r o c

0510:47 FSS oh okay yes

0510:49 OMIC you know so they were asking about the alnot

0510:51 FSS okay so they just want a formality

0510:53 OMIC yeah

0510:54 FSS roger that

0510:55 OMIC okay

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0510:56 FSS you know what the the way we send alnots over here we do he was um let's see uh because for an alnot i do need quite a bit of information over here hold on just a second okay

0511:07 OMIC sure uh it's gonna be a long night

0511:23 FSS uh just because of that huh

0511:24 OMIC yeah well hopefully we'll find him but uh a little discomfort on my part doesn't matter

0511:37 FSS and uh i'm sure you told me that but i missed it but what kind of aircraft was it type (unintelligible)

0511:42 OMIC it was a dauphin helicopter

0511:45 FSS okay and as far as flight plan information um no he wasn't a flight plan right

0511:58 OMIC no no he was a pick up i f r going into andrews

0512:07 FSS all right i'll tell you what if i need anymore questions i will just go ahead and call you and you said you had a contact last time two north of andrews uh what was the time uh on it

0512:16 OMIC uh it was about quarter after the hour i'm actually trying to nail it down

0512:19 FSS okay roger that so it was four forty five at this time roger okay if i have any questions i'll call you

0512:26 OMIC okay you got my number

0512:28 FSS eh you see can you give me a commercial phone number just so it's more it's easier

0512:32 OMIC all right five four zero

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0512:33	FSS	five four zero
0512:34	OMIC	three four nine
0512:35	FSS	three four niner
0512:36	OMIC	seven five eight six
0512:37	FSS	seven five eight six roger that thank you so much bravo hotel
0512:40	OMIC	okay thank you s k bye bye
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0535:51	OMIC	andrews potomac
0535:55	ADW	andrews
0535:56	OMIC	hey how you doin
0535:57	ADW	uh huh
0535:58	OMIC	okay hey uh we switched him over to you about fifty five after the hour uh zero three five five zulu
0536:04	ADW	okay
0536:05	OMIC	and you you talked to him correctly
0536:07	ADW	yes
0536:08	OMIC	okay do you know what time you lost him
0536:10	ADW	uh right around midnight

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0536:12 OMIC so right about zero four hundred

0536:13 ADW yeah

0536:14 OMIC yeah okay and he no indication nothing correct

0536:18 ADW what

0536:19 OMIC there was nothing he didn't say anything other than the fact that he wasn't getting the glide slope

0536:23 ADW he wasn't getting the glide slope he asked for an a s r and i said i'm not current i can't do that

0536:28 OMIC right

0536:29 ADW he seemed to be right on the localizer fine i mean you know watching him track the only other thing that was odd was he's i got one hit he was like at fifteen hundred feet

0536:35 OMIC yeah

0536:36 ADW and then i start getting the z's and i don't know if that was him not putting it out or you know it's not updating

0536:42 OMIC right okay you're not getting his e l t right

0536:44 ADW no never got anything

0536:46 OMIC okay

0536:47 ADW and uh i told him i couldn't do an a s r and another you know mile and a half or whatever went by and then i lost him on radar

0536:53 OMIC okay um if i would do uh you got a controller statement there

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0536:59 ADW no i'm by myself i don't we don't have forms i don't believe up in the tower i got notes but that's it i mean

0537:05 OMIC okay do this just write up your notes kind of in chronological order because you probably uh they'll probably (unintelligible)

0537:12 ADW yeah yeah i've been too busy i got everybody calling me

0537:16 OMIC and uh do you have any other aircraft up looking for him or what are they doing

0537:19 ADW they can't do it because of the weather

0537:20 OMIC aw jeez

0537:21 ADW we're two hundred and a half now

0537:22 OMIC what what's up north of ya is that water or ground

0537:26 ADW uh it's it's ground it's um just west of the beltway it's like between pennsylvania and central avenue i don't know if you know where that is but

0537:34 OMIC yeah

0537:35 ADW it's uh it's south of fed ex and just just stuff up there i mean little warehouses and houses

0537:41 OMIC oh great

0537:42 ADW you know but you think someone would see him if he

0537:45 OMIC yeah well probably (unintelligible)

0537:46 ADW you know it's saturday night

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0537:48 OMIC yeah i talked to maryland state police and they haven't talked to him

0537:50 ADW no they haven't found him they're supposedly looking for him and uh i called the dispatch out of baltimore they have not heard from him either

0537:56 OMIC okay

0537:57 ADW and um i think i guess you or uh national somebody told me eagle attempted to go out and turned back

0538:02 OMIC yeah okay

0538:03 ADW and uh i talked to the blackjack guys and they told me to call atlantic city because they do the search and rescue and to talk to them

0538:10 OMIC okay and you did that

0538:12 ADW um that's my next call

0538:13 OMIC okay

0538:14 ADW and i've gotta call the r o c i haven't done them yet

0538:15 OMIC all right okay i already talked to the r o let the r o c know that we're looking for this guy

0538:19 ADW oh so i don't have to call them

0538:20 OMIC uh they know what's going on on this but um i'll see what they're doing on the uh search and rescue side of it

0538:26 ADW okay i'll give them a call then all right

0538:28 OMIC all right i'll let you do that and you let me know what's going on

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0538:30 ADW okay all right

0538:31 OMIC and let me give you my phone number here uh five four zero

0538:35 ADW i'm sorry uh my line cut off what did you say

0538:38 OMIC my uh phone number here five four zero

0538:39 ADW uh huh

0538:40 OMIC three four nine

0538:41 ADW uh huh

0538:42 OMIC seven five eight six

0538:43 ADW seven five eight six okay

0538:45 OMIC thank you bye bye

0538:46 ADW yeah

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0543:37 OMIC ken schuette potomac tracon

0543:40 ZDC hey this is bob kegis from washington center

0543:42 OMIC what's up

0543:43 ZDC you guys know anything about this trooper two i just got andrews just called me

0543:46 OMIC okay trooper two was uh it's a maryland state helicopter

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0543:51 ZDC uh huh

0543:52 OMIC was cleared for an i l s approach to one niner right into the andrews air force base and they lost radar about two north of the airport about zero four zero zero zulu

0544:04 ZDC zero four

0544:06 OMIC uh huh so about midnight

0544:09 ZDC okay

0544:10 OMIC he was switched to tower about fifty five so between fifty five and zero four hundred was when they think they lost it

0544:19 ZDC okay switched to tower

0544:21 OMIC uh huh

0544:22 ZDC um what's the uh three letter for the call sign is it t r p or

0544:28 OMIC it uh trooper is uh let me look at the security thing it's uh actually t r p two let me look at the preassigned and see what it says on it yeah t r p two

0544:38 ZDC okay

0544:39 OMIC yeah do you want the side number of the aircraft

0544:41 ZDC the uh the oh yeah

0544:43 OMIC okay november niner two mike delta

0544:45 ZDC niner two mike delta

0544:47 OMIC it's a uh dauphin a s three sixty five

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0544:51 ZDC a s

0544:53 OMIC three six five

0544:54 ZDC a s three six five

0544:56 OMIC right maryland it's operated by maryland police there was um to their knowledge four souls two crew two uh passenger

0545:06 ZDC okay two crew and two passengers

0545:09 OMIC right the r o c has been called

0545:11 ZDC oh you did already

0545:12 OMIC yeah i called i started (unintelligible) so did andrews tower we're both kind of working on it

0545:16 ZDC okay

0545:17 OMIC and uh so and we've talked to flight service flight service did an alnot out on it um you know we're kind of working all those angles and i've let my uh my boss know about it so he's you know because it'll be a little bit newsworthy with it being a trooper

0545:31 ZDC oh yeah

0545:32 OMIC so if there's anything else you want me to do let me know because

0545:34 ZDC okay he just called me i gotta get off the phone with him i'm like oh okay

0545:38 OMIC who is this

0545:39 ZDC uh base ops at andrews

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0545:40 OMIC okay what did they say

0545:42 ZDC they wanted to know if we've seen him out there i'm like we're not going to see him potomac would see him before we would that low

0545:46 OMIC nobody's seen him

0545:47 ZDC yeah

0545:48 OMIC and i've talked to um maryland state police their their ops and they have tried to call him on radio and also on cell phone and they get no answer

0545:57 ZDC wow that's not good

0545:58 OMIC no it's not good

0545:59 ZDC no okay

0546:01 OMIC so what i told the andrews controller is

0546:03 ZDC they said they were out looking for him too the p g police department and stuff

0546:07 OMIC they tried to get a helicopter up but the weather's kinda foggy so nobody can really fly

0546:12 ZDC yeah

0546:12 OMIC so we can't get an air (unintelligible) up there looking and uh i told the andrews controller to put everything into notes because she didn't have a controllers statement there to put it into notes so that your have it fresh in your mind and i've got it my controller who worked him into andrews doing the same thing

0546:30 ZDC okay and um

0546:33 OMIC and i've let my boss know and i've also called my q a guy

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0546:36 ZDC okay there's no uh i'm sure there's nobody out there you can get e l t reports from or nothing

0546:41 OMIC uh yeah if they get any airplanes up i'll have them do it

0546:44 ZDC okay

0546:44 OMIC all right

0546:45 ZDC all righty

0546:46 OMIC all right anything else

0546:47 ZDC that's it man thanks

0546:48 OMIC okay give me a call if you need anything bud all right bye bye

0546:49 ZDC all righty bye  
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0552:54 OMIC andrews potomac

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0553:01 ADW andrews

0553:02 OMIC sorry to bug you hey do you know what the weather was at the time this thing happened

0553:05 ADW uh i know what the weather i had was i don't know what it actually was because it was like an hour and something old

0553:11 OMIC yeah

0553:12 ADW it was uh thirteen hundred foot broken seven miles

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0553:11 OMIC yeah

0553:12 ADW it was uh thirteen hundred foot broken seven miles

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0553:15 OMIC okay

0553:16 ADW and the next one came out about five minutes later because we still had the two fifty five because the three fifty five hadn't come out it didn't come out until about six or eight after that was five hundred broken four miles and mist

0553:28 OMIC and what time was that

0553:30 ADW four o six it was when we actually got it was after this happened

0553:34 OMIC okay and how many miles

0553:36 ADW the weather after the fact was five hundred broken four miles and the weather that i had at the time when he was coming in was thirteen hundred broken seven miles

0553:44 OMIC okay all right so uh five hundred broken four miles was that fog

0553:49 ADW no mist

0553:50 OMIC mist

0553:51 ADW i think it's gotta go down to a half or under

0553:53 OMIC okay okay and uh thirteen broken and seven miles at the time of the accident

0553:59 ADW well i don't know what it actually was but that's what it was showing but that's an hour old but that's what our equipment had

0554:05 OMIC all right but shortly thereafter it was (unintelligible)

0554:06 ADW right right

0554:08 OMIC so it sounds like it degraded on us okay

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0554:09 ADW right

0554:10 OMIC yeah i just wanted to see what we had

0554:11 ADW okay

0554:12 OMIC so it was about zero two five five on the uh thirteen broken

0554:15 ADW yes

0554:16 OMIC zero two five five and we didn't we had had a late report until after zero four zero

0554:20 ADW well as a matter of fact i called him up a couple minutes after and said are you sending the weather she said we just sent it now and that was like six or eight after

0554:26 OMIC you got a um who who is that is that national weather service

0554:30 ADW no that's our uh air force weather metro

0554:33 OMIC okay can you got a number for them

0554:36 ADW uh i don't have a phone number i just have a direct line

0554:38 OMIC okay could you see if they did a real uh a good weather maybe on the hour or if they've got any historical data for us

0554:45 ADW okay

0554:46 OMIC all right

0554:46 ADW all right i'll call you back

0554:48 OMIC all righty bye bye

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0558:04 OMIC potomac

0558:05 ZDC hey bud it's bob kegis from washington center again

0558:07 OMIC hey bob what's up

0558:09 ZDC did you did you guys call headquarters by chance on that

0558:11 OMIC uh the r o c

0558:12 ZDC yeah

0558:13 OMIC yeah we sure did

0558:14 ZDC the r o c

0558:15 OMIC yeah um yeah we talked to uh let's see that's a seven one eight number isn't it

0558:21 ZDC oh no i'm talking about the headquarters you know we have the direct line from them

0558:26 OMIC uh i called the regional office the roc yeah

0558:29 ZDC you you you guys are the den right now right

0558:31 OMIC yeah we're the den and the o m so

0558:33 ZDC yeah

0558:34 OMIC i'm kind of running around listening to tapes and doing everything else i called the region uh the regional operations center but i haven't called headquarters i think they notified headquarters though

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0558:43 ZDC r c c is what you called because i called them too to make sure they got everything

0558:47 OMIC yeah yeah we've had unfortunately we've had kind of two facilities kind of involved

0558:51 ZDC yeah okay

0558:52 OMIC we've both been calling

0558:54 ZDC okay

0558:55 OMIC so and i just talked to andrews and i'm trying to get better weather data for the time of the incident too

0559:01 ZDC yeah okay

0559:02 OMIC so anything else we need

0559:04 ZDC nope

0559:06 OMIC and let's see got controllers statements and all that neat stuff and so the powers that be know so we're at where we're at

0559:12 ZDC all right buddy i do appreciate it

0559:14 OMIC hey no problem bud anything you need you let me know

0559:16 ZDC all righty thanks

0559:17 OMIC all right bye bye  
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