

 <b>National Transportation Safety Board</b> <b>PRELIMINARY REPORT</b> <b>AVIATION</b>		NTSB ID: ENG09RA003		Most Critical Injury: None	
		Occurrence Date: 01/06/2009		Investigated By: Foreign	
		Occurrence Type: Incident			
Location/Time					
Nearest City/Place		State	Zip Code	Local Time	Time Zone
Ho Chi Minh City				1552	
Aircraft Information					
Registration Number		Aircraft Manufacturer		Model/Series Number	
VN-A143		BOEING		777/206	
Type of Aircraft: Airplane			Amateur Built Aircraft? No		
Injury Summary:		Fatal	Serious	Minor	None 332
Revenue Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No		
Narrative					
Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:					
<p>On January 1, 2009, a Vietnam Airlines Boeing 777-200, registration VN-A143, flight number VN224, departed the Tan Son Nhat Airport, SGN (Ho Chi Minh City) and while climbing through 8,000 feet, a loud metallic noise was heard followed by a L ENGINE FAIL EICAS message, airplane vibration, and a acid burning smelled followed by rapidly by a FIRE ENGINE LEFT warning. The flight crew performed the engine fire checklist and the fire warning ceased after discharging the first fire bottle. The flight crew declared an emergency and returned to SGN for a successful single engine landing. There were no reported injuries to the two flight crew members, twelve cabin crew members or the 318 passengers on board.</p> <p>The accident is being investigated by the Vietnamese Civil Aviation Administration. Further information pertaining to this incident may be obtained from:</p> <p>VIETNAM  Director General  Civil Aviation Administration  Gia Lam Airport  Hanoi  VietNam</p> <p>Tel.: (84) 4 827 3384  Fax: (84) 4 827 1913  SITA: HANCFVN  AFTN: VVVVYAYX  Telex: 412242 BGTVT VT</p> <p>This report is for informational purposes only and contains only information obtained for, or released by, the Government of Vietnam.  Updated on Mar 16 2009 4:08PM</p>					
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Other Aircraft Involved		
Registration Number	Aircraft Manufacturer	Model/Series Number

Accident Information	
Aircraft Damage: Minor	Accident Occurred During:

Crew	Name	Certificate No.	Injury
Pilot			
2			
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Operator Information		
Name Vietnam Airlines	Operator Designator Code	Doing Business As

Street Address 200 Nguyen Son Str., Long Bien Dist.	City Ha Noi city	State	Zip Code
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-Type of Certificate(s) Held: None
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):

Operating Certificate: Large Aircraft Operator	Operator Certificate:
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Non-U.S., Commercial	
Type of Flight Operations Conducted: Scheduled; Domestic; Passenger Only	

Flight Plan/Itinerary			
Type of Flight Plan Filed: IFR			
Last Departure Point Ho Chi Minh Cit	State	Airport Identifier SGN	
Destination HaNoi	State	Airport Identifier HAN	

Weather Information			
Investigator's Source: Unknown	Facility ID:	Observation Time (Local):	
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition:		Ft. AGL	
Lowest Ceiling:	Ft. AGL	Visibility:	SM Altimeter: "Hg

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<b>Weather Information</b> (Continued from page 2)			
Temperature: °C	Dew Point: °C	Wind Direction:	
Wind Speed: Kts.	Gusts: Kts.	Weather Conditions at Accident Site:	

<b>Administration Data</b>	
Notification From Vietnam Civil Aviation Adminis	Date
FAA District Office/Coordinator	Investigator-In-Charge (IIC) Jean-Pierre M. Scarfo