



INTERIM STATEMENT
AERO/2016/04/09/INTR/01

Accident Investigation Bureau

Interim statement on the serious incident involving
Aero Contractors Nigeria Limited B737-500 with
nationality and registration marks 5N-BLG at Murtala
Muhammed International Airport, Ikeja, Lagos
on 9th April, 2016.



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On 9th April 2016 at 18:18 h, a Boeing 737-500 with nationality and registration marks 5N-BLG, a domestic scheduled commercial flight, operated by Aero Contractors Company of Nigeria Ltd. as flight NIG316 veered off runway 18R to the right of the centreline into the grass verge at Murtala Muhammed International Airport, Lagos, Nigeria.

The flight originated from Port Harcourt (PHC) DNPO and the destination was Lagos (LOS) DNMM.

Weather information indicated rain overhead the station with a visibility of 3,000 m. During ILS approach on runway 18L, at an altitude of about 500 ft, the crew executed a missed approach due strong crosswind. The crew requested for runway 18R with weather information indicated 090/15 kt with a visibility of 3,000 m in moderate rain.

The second approach appeared stable but on closing the throttles, the aircraft veered off the runway to the right of the centreline into the grass verge, with increase in intensity of rain associated with obscured and reduced visibility to the crew. All 59 passengers onboard the airplane, including five crew disembarked with no injuries.

ACTION

The draft final report has been completed. A technical review will be conducted and subsequently sent to stakeholders for review and comments within 60 days.

This interim statement is being issued on the 3rd Anniversary of the serious incident in accordance with ICAO Annex 13.

In accordance with Annex 13 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, Civil Aviation Act 2006, Civil Aviation (Investigation of Air Accident and Incidents) Regulations 2016, the sole purpose of this Investigation is to prevent Aviation accidents and serious incidents. It is not the purpose of any such investigation and the associated Investigation report to apportion blame or liability.