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Okay, next up we have Major Cross
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with the Australian Army,
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and he is gonna talk to us today about, uh, risk management,
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lessons learned in experimental flight testing
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Afternoon. Thanks. The opportunity
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to address you on some lessons that we learned in, uh,
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the Roy Flk Attack helicopter program.
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Um, it's all relevant to the risk management issues
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that we've been discussing over the last couple of days.
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So to look at it, we'll
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have a look at some background history,
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14 00:00:43.425 --> 00:00:45.985 where the program came from and how it developed 15 00:00:45.985 --> 00:00:49.625 and came into being the importance of training 16 00:00:50.245 --> 00:00:53.305 and proficiency and currency of crew, which is a vital part 17 00:00:53.305 --> 00:00:54.385 of the risk management process. 18 00:00:56.365 --> 00:00:59.945 The Roy Vol first XDM flight envelope expansion 19 00:00:59.965 --> 00:01:01.065 was the first prototype. 20 00:01:02.365 --> 00:01:03.945 Um, system safety 21 00:01:04.005 --> 00:01:05.305 and planning that went along 22 00:01:05.615 --> 00:01:08.145 with the initial envelope expansion floods, 23 00:01:09.205 --> 00:01:11.545 and this is all took place quite a number of years ago, 24 00:01:11.545 --> 00:01:13.465 but I think the risk management issues that are 25 00:01:14.155 --> 00:01:15.305 still applicable today 26 00:01:15.305 --> 00:01:17.625 and discussed today, they were applicable then 27 00:01:17.845 --> 00:01:20.625

and they don't really change. 28 00:01:22.115 --> 00:01:24.105 We'll have looked at some of the test conditions on the day, 29 00:01:25.445 --> 00:01:27.585 the emergency that resulted in rotation. 30 00:01:28.015 --> 00:01:31.395 Both engines essentially gone. The lessons learned. 31 00:01:31.465 --> 00:01:35.075 What was, what was addressed in the risk management process, 32 00:01:35.825 --> 00:01:38.315 what worked some issues that 33 00:01:39.055 --> 00:01:40.875 in hindsight were not addressed 34 00:01:41.015 --> 00:01:43.195 and reasons why they were perhaps masked 35 00:01:43.695 --> 00:01:46.795 and only came to the being after the incident. 36 00:01:49.215 --> 00:01:53.195 So the background in myself, I'm actually South African 37 00:01:53.295 --> 00:01:54.715 and this all occurred in South Africa. 38 00:01:55.635 --> 00:02:00.115 I did my wings in 1977, flew light aircraft for a couple 39 00:02:00.115 --> 00:02:01.915 of years, did instructors course, 40 00:02:01.915 --> 00:02:04.475 qualified flying instructor in 1980,

41 00:02:05.695 --> 00:02:07.905 converted onto roading in 1985, 42 00:02:09.085 --> 00:02:13.105 and a qualified flying instructor on helicopters in 1987. 43 00:02:13.855 --> 00:02:15.545 Took the test pilot school with 44 00:02:16.065 --> 00:02:19.145 national test pilot school in 1989 in South Africa. 45 00:02:19.415 --> 00:02:21.225 They came to South Africa at that time 46 00:02:22.285 --> 00:02:24.545 and started flying the Roy Faul in 1990. 47 00:02:26.805 --> 00:02:29.585 And in parallel was a production pilot on the Orx 48 00:02:29.755 --> 00:02:32.225 helicopter, essentially a hybrid 49 00:02:32.255 --> 00:02:34.345 between a puma and a super puma. 50 00:02:35.525 --> 00:02:37.745 And then I was the office commanding the Air Force base 51 00:02:37.875 --> 00:02:41.585 Oberg, the fire development center from 2005 and 2009. 52 00:02:42.765 --> 00:02:43.865 And then I went to Australia. 53 00:02:45.325 --> 00:02:47.345 So the background to the program, 54 00:02:48.165 --> 00:02:50.025

and there was a need for an armed helicopter 55 00:02:50.455 --> 00:02:53.105 because of the anglin conflict in the 56 00:02:53.105 --> 00:02:54.425 late seventies and early eighties. 57 00:02:54.425 --> 00:02:56.185 So the development started in 1980. 58 00:02:57.005 --> 00:02:59.285 The aircraft first flew in 84. 59 00:02:59.705 --> 00:03:03.325 It was based on allo three dynamics systems, 60 00:03:04.065 --> 00:03:06.205 and essentially just a capability demonstrator 61 00:03:06.225 --> 00:03:09.125 and gathering of a team in creating the capability, uh, 62 00:03:09.125 --> 00:03:10.685 as it was the first little like big project 63 00:03:10.745 --> 00:03:11.925 of this nature in the country. 64 00:03:13.425 --> 00:03:17.885 In parallel with the Roy Fox design of the first prototype, 65 00:03:17.905 --> 00:03:21.965 we had two PMJ model helicopters that were used as test beds 66 00:03:21.965 --> 00:03:25.085 for the development of the avionics, A-A-F-C-S 67 00:03:25.085 --> 00:03:27.085 and MMI as well as weapons.

68 00:03:29.425 --> 00:03:33.325 So XDM first flew in 1990, um, 69 00:03:33.865 --> 00:03:37.325 and the initial flights were all flight envelope expansion, 70 00:03:37.555 --> 00:03:40.245 sort of like focusing on performance and handling qualities 71 00:03:40.745 --> 00:03:42.605 and getting the aircraft up and away. 72 00:03:43.795 --> 00:03:46.095 The second prototype flew in May 92, 73 00:03:46.835 --> 00:03:49.535 and it incorporated all the advanced avionics weapons 74 00:03:49.595 --> 00:03:51.695 and digital A FCS sort of stuff. 75 00:03:54.455 --> 00:03:55.535 EDM incorporated. 76 00:03:55.535 --> 00:03:57.575 The lessons learned from the first two prototypes, 77 00:03:57.595 --> 00:04:00.335 and it is the, it was the production configuration 78 00:04:00.595 --> 00:04:03.255 and 12 of the aircraft we delivered from 1999 79 00:04:03.595 --> 00:04:05.775 and the flying operation now in the demo 80 00:04:05.985 --> 00:04:07.815 Democratic Republic of Congo. 81 00:04:09.935 --> 00:04:11.835

So pilot and test pilot training 82 00:04:12.225 --> 00:04:14.395 that has come out over the past few days 83 00:04:14.415 --> 00:04:15.555 as currency and proficiency. 84 00:04:15.985 --> 00:04:17.075 It's always very important. 85 00:04:17.895 --> 00:04:20.155 And although we live in an automated era, 86 00:04:20.815 --> 00:04:23.595 the importance in training, uh, of visual 87 00:04:23.695 --> 00:04:26.115 and oral cues are still vital 88 00:04:26.215 --> 00:04:27.795 and still essential, uh, 89 00:04:27.795 --> 00:04:29.315 as will become evident with this incident. 90 00:04:30.315 --> 00:04:34.035 Communication, um, is always vital in any, in any program. 91 00:04:35.135 --> 00:04:39.395 And then the team concept, um, the person you fly with, 92 00:04:39.535 --> 00:04:41.395 the currency of the person that you fly with. 93 00:04:41.835 --> 00:04:44.955 I was fortunate to have an FTE that did the course with me, 94 00:04:45.335 --> 00:04:47.795 and we were a team for five years, so we, we got

95 00:04:47.795 --> 00:04:49.115 to know one another extremely well. 96 00:04:49.575 --> 00:04:52.995 Um, we, uh, appreciated one another's skills and abilities, 97 00:04:53.415 --> 00:04:55.995 and I think in the whole process it's pretty vital 98 00:04:56.025 --> 00:04:58.355 that you have a good synergy in the cockpit. 99 00:04:59.015 --> 00:05:01.675 And then, as I say, with the crew resource management. 100 00:05:03.455 --> 00:05:05.235 So with the initial flight development 101 00:05:06.215 --> 00:05:09.515 or envelope expansion of the, the Roy flk XDM, 102 00:05:10.055 --> 00:05:11.795 the first 90 flights all went well. 103 00:05:12.065 --> 00:05:15.195 However, early on due to some, uh, vibration 104 00:05:15.195 --> 00:05:17.635 and resident issues in the lubrication system 105 00:05:17.695 --> 00:05:21.515 by the main gearbox, an oil leak was detected in the, 106 00:05:21.535 --> 00:05:22.795 around the alternator. 107 00:05:22.795 --> 00:05:27.475 Number two, a thorough risk management process was, was, um, 108 00:05:28.395 --> 00:05:31.915

approached and, uh, from that it was decided that 109 00:05:32.655 --> 00:05:35.795 to keep the program going ahead while they addressed the, 110 00:05:36.015 --> 00:05:37.715 the issues from an engineering perspective, 111 00:05:38.105 --> 00:05:40.475 that they would put a blanking pallet on, remove 112 00:05:40.475 --> 00:05:42.715 that alternator and put an invert on 113 00:05:42.715 --> 00:05:44.355 that would give you if you needed 114 00:05:44.695 --> 00:05:46.475 to get back about a 30 minutes. 115 00:05:47.015 --> 00:05:49.355 We tested mostly within 10 to 15 minutes 116 00:05:49.415 --> 00:05:51.035 of the test flight facility at 117 00:05:51.035 --> 00:05:52.515 Johannesburg International Airport. 118 00:05:52.935 --> 00:05:54.715 And so risk managed, 119 00:05:54.715 --> 00:05:56.515 we felt we had managed the issue quite well. 120 00:05:56.735 --> 00:05:59.245 And so we conduct carried on and conducted the flying 121 00:05:59.825 --> 00:06:02.645 and it all went well to roundabout nine, flight 90.

122 00:06:03.265 --> 00:06:05.285 And at that time, it was necessary for the aircraft 123 00:06:05.425 --> 00:06:07.605 to have the infrared, the pressors fitted, 124 00:06:08.275 --> 00:06:09.405 they were dually fitted. 125 00:06:09.735 --> 00:06:11.245 There was some envelope expansion 126 00:06:11.245 --> 00:06:14.285 and to ensure that everything was working well. 127 00:06:14.425 --> 00:06:16.605 And then we came, we came to the point where we needed 128 00:06:16.605 --> 00:06:18.045 to do engine re lights. 129 00:06:20.825 --> 00:06:24.725 So as I'd said the fire hazard issue, it occurred quite a, 130 00:06:24.775 --> 00:06:27.085 quite a while before, it was about 12, 15 months 131 00:06:27.085 --> 00:06:28.845 before it had been addressed, 1.32 00:06:29.305 --> 00:06:32.165 and we were quite happy that that was still under control 133 00:06:32.425 --> 00:06:35.205 and we thought that was not really an issue. 1.34 00:06:35.625 --> 00:06:37.565 And we had our get, get home capability. 135 00:06:37.585 --> 00:06:40.445

And we, as part of the test, obviously one 136 00:06:40.445 --> 00:06:42.285 of the first things you would do emergency would be 137 00:06:42.675 --> 00:06:43.885 what about an engine failure? 138 00:06:44.345 --> 00:06:45.685 So you do it over an airfield. 139 00:06:46.145 --> 00:06:48.365 Um, so it was the inverters, we were overhead, 140 00:06:48.585 --> 00:06:52.685 an airfield over a runway commenced at a safe altitude, 141 00:06:53.425 --> 00:06:55.445 and the, we decided 142 00:06:55.465 --> 00:06:59.245 to do it in Pretoria at the Air Force base water cliff along 143 00:06:59.245 --> 00:07:02.165 12,000 foot runway, an ideal sort of scenario 144 00:07:02.165 --> 00:07:05.085 with all the emergency services available should you require 145 00:07:05.085 --> 00:07:09.765 it As part of the safety and test planning. 146 00:07:09.785 --> 00:07:11.485 We were still in the development, uh, 147 00:07:11.535 --> 00:07:12.685 stage and all those sort of things. 148 00:07:12.685 --> 00:07:14.685 So telemetry control was in burg

149 00:07:14.795 --> 00:07:17.005 that was about 40, 45 kilometers away. 150 00:07:17.005 --> 00:07:18.405 But at the altitude that we'd be flying, 151 00:07:18.405 --> 00:07:20.005 we would've telemetry monitoring us, 1.52 00:07:20.065 --> 00:07:21.205 we would've communication. 153 00:07:21.205 --> 00:07:22.245 So that would all be good. 154 00:07:23.345 --> 00:07:27.285 We would've active circuit at water cliff with fighters, um, 155 00:07:28.005 --> 00:07:30.965 mirage's and Buccaneers Canberra, and then C one 30 156 00:07:30.965 --> 00:07:33.325 and C one 60 transporters and some light aircraft. 157 00:07:34.065 --> 00:07:35.965 But we were happy that from the risk management, 158 00:07:35.965 --> 00:07:38.805 we had applied ourselves to the best of our ability 1.59 00:07:39.225 --> 00:07:42.765 and all the things that we thought we should have identified 160 00:07:42.765 --> 00:07:44.485 that could go wrong had we identified. 161 00:07:45.105 --> 00:07:46.285 So what could go wrong. 162 00:07:46.465 --> 00:07:48.445

And we were, had a warm fuzzy feeling. 163 00:07:48.865 --> 00:07:51.525 We had gone through 90 odd flights without any incidents, 164 00:07:51.685 --> 00:07:53.965 mishaps or anything really exciting to report. 165 00:07:56.585 --> 00:07:58.285 So the test conditions on the day, the, 166 00:07:58.385 --> 00:08:00.205 the elevation is 4,500. 167 00:08:00.225 --> 00:08:01.565 We were gonna be at 7,000. 168 00:08:01.565 --> 00:08:04.525 So that's lots of altitude runway's extremely long. 169 00:08:04.865 --> 00:08:06.725 And there's taxiways full length 170 00:08:06.725 --> 00:08:08.565 of the runway on the eastern and the western side. 171 00:08:09.685 --> 00:08:11.405 I mentioned about the aircraft in the circuit, 172 00:08:11.825 --> 00:08:12.925 but we didn't, we hadn't really 173 00:08:12.925 --> 00:08:14.365 contemplated that they would be an issue. 174 00:08:14.665 --> 00:08:17.085 We would do this at a, at v wide, about 80 knots. 175 00:08:17.585 --> 00:08:19.285 The weather was good, temperature was fine,

176 00:08:19.585 --> 00:08:20.605 and it was early morning. 177 00:08:21.105 --> 00:08:22.445 So we were ready for the test. 178 00:08:25.375 --> 00:08:27.395 So we wedu shut down engine number one 179 00:08:28.215 --> 00:08:30.635 and there was nothing to report. 180 00:08:31.055 --> 00:08:32.195 The other engine was running 181 00:08:32.655 --> 00:08:34.355 and we were flying, and so that was good. 182 00:08:34.455 --> 00:08:36.915 So we commenced with the engine relight. 183 00:08:38.255 --> 00:08:42.355 We then had a total electrical failure engine number two 184 00:08:42.895 --> 00:08:47.235 in this mode within default to about, uh, 82% ng, 185 00:08:49.825 --> 00:08:51.005 but there was worse to come. 186 00:08:51.005 --> 00:08:53.365 There was now no communication, no ICS, 187 00:08:53.365 --> 00:08:56.005 there's no communication between front seat and back seat. 188 00:08:56.705 --> 00:08:58.525 Uh, the flight engineer was in the front. 189 00:08:58.945 --> 00:09:01.045

He had a tacker meter, 190 00:09:01.625 --> 00:09:03.805 but unfortunately in the back cockpit there were no 191 00:09:03.805 --> 00:09:05.005 engine temps and pressures. 192 00:09:05.005 --> 00:09:08.365 Nothing was working, no flight instruments were working 193 00:09:09.025 --> 00:09:11.005 and no telemetry. 194 00:09:11.065 --> 00:09:13.005 So telemetry was lost at this stage as well. 195 00:09:13.625 --> 00:09:16.365 The only thing functioning were the Peter statics, 196 00:09:16.745 --> 00:09:19.325 so air speed, vertical speed, and ultimatum. 197 00:09:23.765 --> 00:09:26.985 So the only option at this stage is to enter rotation 198 00:09:27.685 --> 00:09:29.785 as you always train, focus on flying the aircraft 199 00:09:30.205 --> 00:09:31.905 and then try and manage 200 00:09:32.285 --> 00:09:36.065 and get an engine lighted if possible as you're coming down. 201 00:09:37.165 --> 00:09:40.185 One important factor is that, um, with the oral cues, 202 00:09:40.985 --> 00:09:42.305 NR min was 2 45.

203 00:09:43.625 --> 00:09:46.105 NR max was two 90, but I didn't have an indication. 204 00:09:46.885 --> 00:09:48.735 The fellow in front did have an indication. 205 00:09:48.895 --> 00:09:52.015 I was chatting team to Egon in the last week or two, 206 00:09:52.315 --> 00:09:55.215 and he said, um, it was quite disconcerting from his 207 00:09:55.215 --> 00:09:57.975 perspective because he could see the NRA increasing, 208 00:09:58.635 --> 00:09:59.895 but he didn't know what I was doing. 209 00:09:59.915 --> 00:10:01.055 And when something, when I did, 210 00:10:01.085 --> 00:10:04.015 when I raised the collective, he was fairly happy 211 00:10:04.015 --> 00:10:05.815 because he said, okay, well he, he, he's got some sort 212 00:10:05.815 --> 00:10:08.055 of thing to monitor and control it with. 213 00:10:08.555 --> 00:10:09.735 But when the aircraft rolled, 214 00:10:09.875 --> 00:10:11.695 he wasn't too sure whether it was a commanded 215 00:10:11.695 --> 00:10:15.495 or un uncommanded role, but credit to his training 216 00:10:15.715 --> 00:10:18.855

and our crew sort of like compatibility 217 00:10:18.915 --> 00:10:19.935 and confidence in one another. 218 00:10:20.155 --> 00:10:23.175 He, he left it there and enjoyed an unpleasant ride. 219 00:10:24.875 --> 00:10:26.975 So we, um, I attempted the real light 220 00:10:27.315 --> 00:10:30.095 and in hindsight it was never gonna happen. 221 00:10:30.875 --> 00:10:33.815 But, um, we now we turned it to the right, 222 00:10:33.955 --> 00:10:36.455 to the eastern side, and now we had 223 00:10:36.455 --> 00:10:38.295 to avoid fuel dumps and bomb dumps. 224 00:10:39.035 --> 00:10:41.255 The first thing I had was an open field, so I thought, well, 225 00:10:41.255 --> 00:10:42.335 we'll head for the open field. 226 00:10:42.645 --> 00:10:44.535 That will be somewhere 227 00:10:44.535 --> 00:10:47.295 where you could conduct a fairly safe landing. 228 00:10:47.925 --> 00:10:49.375 What is really in, uh, 229 00:10:49.375 --> 00:10:53.295 pleasing from per personal perspective was the oral cues on

230 00:10:53.295 --> 00:10:57.775 the aircraft, um, are particularly noticeable. 2.31 00:10:57.995 --> 00:11:01.615 Um, the normal tone around about 2 60, 2 70 sort 232 00:11:01.615 --> 00:11:04.375 of like remains constant until around about two 80 raves. 233 00:11:04.635 --> 00:11:07.175 And then the tone picks up quite markedly in that point. 234 00:11:07.175 --> 00:11:09.735 Then the revs start increasing quite, quite rapidly as well. 235 00:11:10.395 --> 00:11:13.095 So all the way down, all you, all I knew I had to do was 236 00:11:14.285 --> 00:11:15.575 keep the collective on the bottom. 237 00:11:16.115 --> 00:11:18.695 If at any stage the revs got to that point, we had started, 238 00:11:18.715 --> 00:11:20.015 the tone changed markedly, 239 00:11:20.015 --> 00:11:21.495 and they started, the red started increasing. 240 00:11:22.005 --> 00:11:24.815 Take a handful, a thousand, 1000 241 00:11:24.815 --> 00:11:27.655 and 2003, put it down, the noise went away. 242 00:11:27.955 --> 00:11:29.815 The, the, the waves had sort of come back to 243 00:11:29.815 --> 00:11:32.575

where they needed to be and we managed to get 244 00:11:32.575 --> 00:11:34.535 around the field and get around the circuit, 245 00:11:34.985 --> 00:11:36.295 avoid the aircraft in the circuit 246 00:11:36.295 --> 00:11:38.655 and landed on the eastern taxiway. 247 00:11:41.775 --> 00:11:44.355 So the risk management, what went right, what went wrong, 248 00:11:44.855 --> 00:11:46.155 why did we miss some of the things? 249 00:11:46.575 --> 00:11:48.915 As was mentioned on the opening day, the number of accidents 250 00:11:48.915 --> 00:11:50.955 that have occurred, they certainly didn't occur 251 00:11:50.955 --> 00:11:53.075 because there was no risk management 2.52 00:11:53.705 --> 00:11:55.045 or anything along those lines. 253 00:11:56.155 --> 00:11:59.085 That fire hazard we had identified had been treated 2.54 00:11:59.745 --> 00:12:01.685 and it wasn't initiated to be taken care of. 255 00:12:03.335 --> 00:12:06.705 However, I think with the time period that had gone on, um, 256 00:12:07.085 --> 00:12:09.625 all going well, it attended to mask the things

257 00:12:09.625 --> 00:12:12.465 that we didn't pay enough attention to. 2.58 00:12:12.685 --> 00:12:14.865 The fact that we're now going to relight an engine 259 00:12:15.165 --> 00:12:18.265 and we're not having an alternator on the other engine. 2.60 00:12:18.685 --> 00:12:20.105 Um, what would that effect be? 261 00:12:22.365 --> 00:12:23.625 The other thing that we didn't consider, 2.62 00:12:23.625 --> 00:12:25.585 which would've probably highlighted this issue is, um, 263 00:12:25.585 --> 00:12:27.905 while you're on the ground, why not conduct a dry run? 264 00:12:28.685 --> 00:12:32.025 Do the start take away the, the power ground power units 265 00:12:32.815 --> 00:12:34.465 shut down engine one, you're now shut, 266 00:12:34.565 --> 00:12:36.425 now you're now on the ground in the same condition 267 00:12:36.425 --> 00:12:38.545 as you would be at a, except at 8,000 foot. 268 00:12:38.965 --> 00:12:40.385 And then try and start the engine. 269 00:12:40.485 --> 00:12:43.185 And I'm quite sure you would've got the same effect 270 00:12:43.485 --> 00:12:45.305

and then you wouldn't have had the excitement either. 271 00:12:46.725 --> 00:12:49.465 But that was one of those things, the engine failure, 272 00:12:49.565 --> 00:12:51.705 you know, you can sort of like say, did we plan for it? 273 00:12:51.705 --> 00:12:52.785 We certainly planned for it. 274 00:12:52.785 --> 00:12:54.825 We had a plan, we executed the plan and, 275 00:12:55.005 --> 00:12:56.145 and, and, and was safe. 276 00:12:56.885 --> 00:12:59.425 But the question I ask you now, and I, 277 00:12:59.425 --> 00:13:01.585 and I've asked myself over the last couple of years, 278 00:13:02.085 --> 00:13:03.745 did we really expect it in the planning? 279 00:13:03.925 --> 00:13:05.185 And the answer is no, not really, 280 00:13:05.185 --> 00:13:08.865 because you go through the process, you apply the process, 281 00:13:09.565 --> 00:13:11.585 but are you expecting to have 282 00:13:11.585 --> 00:13:14.985 to execute those emergency procedures and all the rest of it 283 00:13:14.985 --> 00:13:17.905 because you, you, you have gone through the motion,

284 00:13:18.125 --> 00:13:19.465 you have addressed the issue, 285 00:13:20.125 --> 00:13:23.105 but have you really got those things really that you think, 286 00:13:23.665 --> 00:13:25.505 I, I, I'm really gonna expect this to happen? 2.87 00:13:26.085 --> 00:13:29.985 So when it does happen, you um, have, 288 00:13:29.985 --> 00:13:31.265 maybe your preparation 289 00:13:31.285 --> 00:13:32.625 is probably a little bit more thorough. 290 00:13:33.565 --> 00:13:38.035 For instance, um, there probably was no need 291 00:13:38.175 --> 00:13:41.155 to have to deviate around fuel dumps and bomb dumps 292 00:13:42.275 --> 00:13:45.085 because a better approach you would've been 293 00:13:45.505 --> 00:13:46.725 to just have a straight in 294 00:13:46.925 --> 00:13:48.925 approach, start short of the runway. 295 00:13:49.105 --> 00:13:51.885 You could even conducted a practice alteration 296 00:13:51.885 --> 00:13:55.165 with both engines running, get down to the height, see 297 00:13:55.165 --> 00:13:56.365

that you can get in, you, 298 00:13:56.465 --> 00:13:58.125 you've checked the conditions on the day, 299 00:13:58.545 --> 00:14:00.165 the prevailing winds, and, 300 00:14:00.305 --> 00:14:03.965 and then you've also got clearance from air traffic control 301 00:14:04.625 --> 00:14:06.405 so that when you, once you conduct the test, 302 00:14:06.405 --> 00:14:08.125 you're at the alt your test altitude, 303 00:14:08.125 --> 00:14:10.005 they've got the circuit clear for you, the runway clear 304 00:14:10.005 --> 00:14:12.765 for you, and then you could enter, you can prepare, 305 00:14:13.255 --> 00:14:16.085 start conducting the test and if needs be, 306 00:14:16.505 --> 00:14:18.165 and then enter auto rotation 307 00:14:18.625 --> 00:14:20.165 and conduct a straighten landing. 308 00:14:22.545 --> 00:14:25.245 But on the day it all worked, worked out well. 309 00:14:26.045 --> 00:14:28.685 I think what was was pretty crucial in the success 310 00:14:28.865 - > 00:14:33.245and the successful outcome was the crew resource management.

311 00:14:33.545 --> 00:14:35.485 It worked out well. We had been 312 00:14:35.865 --> 00:14:37.245 flying together for a long time. 313 00:14:37.455 --> 00:14:39.725 There was an appreciation of one another's skills 314 00:14:39.825 --> 00:14:41.805 and what one another brought to the party. 315 00:14:42.345 --> 00:14:45.805 And, um, he, we, he is happy to be the passenger 316 00:14:46.345 --> 00:14:47.525 and not interfere, 317 00:14:48.125 --> 00:14:49.885 although he wasn't too sure that I was in control 318 00:14:49.885 --> 00:14:51.245 of anything in, in any case. 319 00:14:53.335 --> 00:14:55.755 So team synergy is vital for efficient 320 00:14:55.755 --> 00:14:58.195 and coordinated testing at the best of times, 321 00:14:58.335 --> 00:15:01.275 but particularly also, so in, in the event of an emergency, 322 00:15:02.225 --> 00:15:04.715 know your team, have confidence in your team 323 00:15:05.095 --> 00:15:06.235 and respect their skillset. 324 00:15:09.055 --> 00:15:11.035

Be focused. And it was mentioned 325 00:15:11.035 --> 00:15:12.915 by I think Darren in the first presentation, 326 00:15:13.485 --> 00:15:16.195 avoid complacency when things are going well for too long, 327 00:15:16.645 --> 00:15:17.875 think about that volcano 328 00:15:17.975 --> 00:15:20.075 or that earthquake you closer 329 00:15:20.175 --> 00:15:22.315 to when something can potentially go wrong. 330 00:15:23.255 --> 00:15:27.395 Always expect the worst and then plan accordingly. 331 00:15:29.465 --> 00:15:32.255 Thank you. Are there any questions? 332 00:15:51.605 --> 00:15:54.655 When you found that it was time to remove the alternator 333 00:15:54.655 --> 00:15:57.575 and replace it with the inverter, what kind of limitation 334 00:15:57.755 --> 00:16:00.295 or attachment did that have for anyone 335 00:16:00.295 --> 00:16:02.055 who further would use the aircraft other than you? 336 00:16:02.685 --> 00:16:05.335 Just say that again, sorry. At some point you removed 337 00:16:05.335 --> 00:16:06.975 the alternator and replaced it with the inverter.

338 00:16:06.995 --> 00:16:09.935 Yep. Uh, was there some sort of limitation that flewed 339 00:16:09.935 --> 00:16:12.055 with the aircraft or with the test team, 340 00:16:12.515 --> 00:16:14.215 uh, for downstream effects? At that time 341 00:16:14.585 --> 00:16:15.975 There were no further limitations. 342 00:16:16.035 --> 00:16:17.455 As I said, we had, um, 343 00:16:17.455 --> 00:16:20.775 because we operated pretty close to the, the airfield 344 00:16:20.955 --> 00:16:24.295 or the airport where we operated from, we had a git, um, 345 00:16:24.425 --> 00:16:26.655 capability where we were operating. 346 00:16:26.655 --> 00:16:27.695 There were numerous fields 347 00:16:27.795 --> 00:16:30.215 and air fields that you could land on if you, if you, 348 00:16:30.215 --> 00:16:32.095 if you needed to land immediately in your 349 00:16:32.255 --> 00:16:33.975 vicinity as a test team. 350 00:16:34.475 --> 00:16:36.055 Um, we had two crews 351 00:16:36.595 --> 00:16:38.095

and each, the crew sort 352 00:16:38.095 --> 00:16:39.775 of like alternated from flight to flight. 353 00:16:39.795 --> 00:16:41.695 So everybody was on the same page with 354 00:16:41.695 --> 00:16:43.575 where you were in the development, uh, 355 00:16:43.575 --> 00:16:44.895 where you were with the program. 356 00:16:45.595 --> 00:16:49.415 Um, it gave the team that was arguably to say off 357 00:16:49.415 --> 00:16:52.295 for the day in, in the control room time to get the admin 358 00:16:52.295 --> 00:16:53.975 and things up to, up to date. 359 00:16:54.515 --> 00:16:58.255 But you always as the, as the team pretty much a phase to 360 00:16:58.255 --> 00:16:59.295 where the program was and 361 00:16:59.295 --> 00:17:00.535 what the status of the program was. 362 00:17:01.245 --> 00:17:03.135 It's a, it's a thought that I had, uh, 363 00:17:03.135 --> 00:17:04.975 currently working on a slightly larger program 364 00:17:05.565 --> 00:17:08.415 that we always have a fear that with such a large program

365 00:17:08.565 --> 00:17:10.735 that someone might not realize the implication 366 00:17:10.735 --> 00:17:11.895 of some change we've made. 367 00:17:12.275 --> 00:17:14.775 So the documentation effort tends to go a little further, 368 00:17:15.475 --> 00:17:17.655 but explore all the downstream effects of what you've done, 369 00:17:17.755 --> 00:17:19.135 not just agree that, uh, 370 00:17:19.485 --> 00:17:21.935 that we all understand what's happening, but, 371 00:17:22.075 --> 00:17:24.095 but sometimes that's something you feel like you 372 00:17:24.095 --> 00:17:25.175 don't need on a smaller program. 373 00:17:25.275 --> 00:17:27.695 But in this case, seems like that would've been one place 374 00:17:27.715 --> 00:17:30.495 to catch downstream effects of having done this replacement 375 00:17:30.875 --> 00:17:32.295 or this work around for flight test. 376 00:17:32.525 --> 00:17:33.525 Sure. 377 00:17:40.825 --> 00:17:44.055 Thank you Trevor. Thank you, uh, not only for the brief 378 00:17:44.055 --> 00:17:45.175

but for this back on top. 379 00:17:46.385 --> 00:17:49.325 Thank You. 380 00:17:50.975 --> 00:17:51.645 Thank you very much. 381 00:17:55.555 --> 00:17:58.205 Alright. Uh, Trevor got us back on time there, so 382 00:17:58.895 --> 00:18:00.765 we'll take a break now until 1500. 383 00:18:00.865 --> 00:18:02.645 If everybody get back in your seats 1500, 384 00:18:02.645 --> 00:18:05.285 we'll kick it off again and try and get done on time. 385 00:18:05.425 --> 00:18:05.845 Thanks.