Aviation Safety Investigation Report 198500662

Cessna U206C

17 August 1985

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Occurrence Number: 198500662 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Oodnadatta SA

Date: 17 August 1985 **Time:** 1410

Highest Injury Level: Nil

Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	4
Total	0	0	0	5

Aircraft Details: Cessna U206C **Registration:** VH-APH

Serial Number:

Operation Type: Travel
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Leigh Creek SA

Departure Time: 1410

Destination: Oodnadatta SA

Approved for Release: 24th October, 1985

Circumstances:

After touch down the aircraft began a series of bounces. The pilot initially attempted to control the aircraft with the elevators but then applied full power to go-around. However, the aircraft struck the ground in a nose-down attitude tearing off the nosewheel and bending the propeller blades. The pilot was relatively inexperienced in the aircraft type. The circuit was poorly judged and resulted in a steep final approach, at a low power setting, being flown. Following the misjudged landing flare, the pilot delayed in carrying out a go-around.