

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198404503**

Cessna 210N

5 September 1984

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Occurrence Number: 198404503 **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: Go Go Station, 15 km South of Fitzroy Crossing WA
Date: 5 September 1984 **Time:** 1300
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	2
Total	0	0	0	3

Aircraft Details: Cessna 210N
Registration: VH-FOK
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Property Inspection
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Go Go Station WA
Departure Time: 1300
Destination: Go Go Station WA

Approved for Release: 23rd August, 1985

Circumstances:

The pilot selected a 340 metre long taxiway as the take-off path. After a ground roll of about 250 metres, at an indicated airspeed of approximately 55 knots, the pilot rotated the aircraft and it became airborne, but did not climb away. He then closed the throttle and the aircraft collided with several trees before coming to rest. The pilot was unfamiliar with the airfield but had been advised that the strip was 915 metres long. He was unaware that the take-off path he had selected was along the taxiway which led to the strip. Prior to the attempted take-off, he had been involved in an argument with his employer and was probably also fatigued after a week of extensive business travel.