

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199800375**

**Boeing Co
B767**

20 January 1998

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Occurrence Number: 199800375 **Occurrence Type:** Incident
Location: Melbourne, Aerodrome
State: VIC **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Tuesday 20 January 1998
Time: 0500 hours **Time Zone** ESuT
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Boeing Co

Manufacturer:

Aircraft Model: 767-238

Aircraft Registration: VH-EAQ

Serial Number: 23896

Type of Operation: Air Transport Domestic High Capacity Passenger
Scheduled

Damage to Aircraft: Nil

Departure Point: Perth WA

Departure Time:

Destination: Melbourne Vic.

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On final approach into Melbourne at 2,000 feet an Engine Information and Crew Alerting System (EICAS) message alerted the crew to an asymmetrical leading edge slat problem. The crew selected flaps to 20 degrees and initiated a go-around. After completing all checklist actions, another approach was commenced with the flaps set at 20 degrees. The aircraft subsequently made an uneventful landing.

The asymmetric slat fault indication is a known 767 problem. Boeing is currently working on a solution to this recurring system anomaly.

