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Alexander Schleicher Gmbh & Co ASW 22

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Occurrence Number: 199600573 Occurrence Type: Accident

Location: Tintinara

State: SA Inv Category: 4

Date: Sunday 14 January 1996

Time: 1715 hours **Time Zone** CSuT

Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Alexander Schleicher Gmbh & Co

Aircraft Model: ASW 22

Aircraft Registration: VH-UKG Serial Number:

Type of Operation: Non-commercial Pleasure/Travel

Damage to Aircraft: Substantial **Departure Point:** Gawler SA

Departure Time:

Destination: Horsham Vic

Crew Details:

Hours on

RoleClass of LicenceType Hours TotalPilot-In-Command6000

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Approaching Tintinara on a cross country flight, lift conditions deteriorated, necessitating an outlanding. The pilot chose what appeared to be a suitable paddock and made an approach and landing. During the landing roll, as the glider came up over a rise in the terrain, a fence appeared across the landing path. The glider could not be manoeuvred to avoid the fence and a collision ensued. The pilot had not seen the fence during the visual inspection of the intended landing area from the air.