Aviation Safety Investigation Report 199301161

Cessna Aircraft Company 402B

30 April 1993

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The Bureau did not conduct an on scene investigation of this occurrence. The information presented below was obtained from information supplied to the Bureau.

Occurrence Number:	199301161	Occur	rence Type:	Accident
Location:	Townsville			
State:	QLD	Inv Ca	ategory:	4
Date:	Friday 30 Apri	1 1993		
Time:	1920 hours	Time	Zone	EST
Highest Injury Level: None				
Aircraft Manufacturer: Cessna Aircraft Company				
Aircraft Model:	402B			
Aircraft Registration:	VH-USV		Serial Num	ber: 402B1027
Type of Operation:	Charter	Passenger		
Damage to Aircraft:	Substantial			
Departure Point:	Kidston QLI)		
Departure Time:	1819 EST			
Destination:	Townsville	QLD		

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On selecting gear down at 130 kts, two loud bangs were heard from the vicinity of the right hand wing root. The nosegear down indicator light was illuminated but no lights were present for the maingear and the landing gear motor was still running. Emergency extension procedures were carried out with no change to the indications. On landing, the left main gear collapsed.

Engineering examination has not been able to determine the cause of the landing gear failure.