

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199301794**

**Beech Aircraft Corp
Duchess
Grumman American Aviation Corp
Intruder**

08 June 1993

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Occurrence Number: 199301794 **Occurrence Type:** Incident
Location: Darwin
State: NT **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Tuesday 08 June 1993
Time: 1215 hours **Time Zone** CST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Beech Aircraft Corp
Aircraft Model: 76
Aircraft Registration: VH-MFS **Serial Number:** ME-421
Type of Operation: Instructional Dual
Damage to Aircraft: Nil
Departure Point: Darwin NT
Departure Time: 1130 CST
Destination: Darwin NT

Aircraft Manufacturer: Grumman American Aviation Corp
Aircraft Model: A6
Aircraft Registration: **Serial Number:**
Type of Operation: Non-commercial Other (including military)
Damage to Aircraft:
Departure Point:
Departure Time:
Destination: Darwin NT

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VH-MFS was carrying out circuit training on runway 11. As the aircraft turned onto final the instructor observed a U.S. Military A6 Intruder aircraft above and about 200 metres behind, also turning final for runway 11. The pilot of VH-MFS immediately turned his aircraft to the left. The controller then issued an instruction for VH-MFS to make a left turn and to go around.

The A6 was not observed to take any evasive action and passed within 100 metres of VH-MFS.