## NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD MAJOR INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION 490 L'ENFANT PLAZA, S.W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20594

## NOTIFCATION TO INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITIES OF ACCIDENT/INCIDENT

TO: Bureau d'Enquêtes et d'Analyses pour la Sécurité de l'Aviation civile (BEA) Office/Name:

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	ACCID
a) The Identifying abbreviation ACCID/INCID:	
<ul> <li>b) Type, model, nationality, and registration marks of the aircraft:</li> </ul>	Fixed Wing Multi-Engine, Boeing 737-524, USA, registration N18611, serial number 27324
c) Name of owner, operator and hirer if any of the aircraft:	A/C owner: Wells Fargo Bank Northwest NA Trustee A/C operator: Continental Airlines
d) Name of pilot-in-command, nationality of crew and passengers.:	TBD
e) Date and time (UTC) of the accident:	12/20/2008 1818 standard mountain time (local)
<ul> <li>f) Last point of departure and point of intended landing of the aircraft:</li> </ul>	Denver, Colorado, USA to Houston, Texas USA
g) Position of the aircraft with reference to an easily defined geographical point and latitude and longitude:	Denver International Airport (KDEN)
<ul> <li>h) Number of crew and passengers aboard killed and serious injured; others killed and serious injured:</li> </ul>	5 crew / 110 passengers aboard 0 crew fatalities / 0 passenger fatalities 37 people transported to the hospital; extent of injuries TBD, but most reported as minor
<ul> <li>Description of the accident and the extent of damage to the aircraft so far as it is known:</li> </ul>	Continental flight 1404, a Boeing 737-500 (registration N18611), equipped with CFM engines, departed the left side of runway 34R during takeoff from Denver International Airport (DEN). The aircraft veered off of the left side of runway 34R, approximately 4000' - 5000' down the runway, while attempting to takeoff. The aircraft traveled down an embankment and up the other side before coming to rest. There was a post-crash fire, and an evacuation was conducted via emergency exits on the left side of the aircraft.
<ul> <li>j) An indication as to what extent the investigation will be conducted or is proposed to be delegated by the State of Occurrence:</li> </ul>	Major accident investigation, investigation team launched to scene
<ul> <li>k) Physical characteristics of the accident area as well as an indication of access difficulties or special requirements to reach the site.:</li> </ul>	Near runway 34R at DEN; easy access to site
<ol> <li>Identification of the originating authority and means to contact the investigator-in-charge and the accident investigation authority of the State of Occurrence at any time:</li> </ol>	NTSB – Washington, D.C. USA IICMr. Bill English NTSB CommCenter: Telephone 202/314-6290 Fax: 202/314-6293 Email: <u>cc@ntsb.gov</u>

m) Presence and description of dangerous good on	TBD
board aircraft.	

In accordance with the provisions of Annex 13 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, NTSB welcomes the participation of States with an interest in the investigation and representation from the aircraft manufacturer and the aircraft operator. If you wish to participate or require further information, please contact this agency at the telephone numbers given above.



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Le Bourget, le 22/12/2008

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From P.L ARSLANIAN Director

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Τo Mr Bill ENGLISH NTSB Télécopie : 202/314-6293

Subject: Accident to the Boeing 737-524 registered N18611 on December. 20<sup>th</sup> at Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr English,

Thank you for the notification of the accident to the Boeing 737-524 registered N18611. Mr Sartorius has been appointed as accredited representative. He does not currently plan to travel to the scene of the accident but he remains at your disposal for any assistance you may require. The BEA would appreciate to receive a copy of the FDR read out, in order to asses the proper functioning of the engines.

Mr Sartorius can be reached by phone on +33 1 49 92 78 21 or by email at leopold.sartorius@bea-fr.org.

Our duty investigator can be reached 24 hours a day on + 33 1 48 35 86 54.

Sincerely,

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