NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

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OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMA	ATION					
Registered Aircraft Owner			City: Newark			
Name: Hunter Aviation International, Inc	ა		State: DE	ZIP: <u>19713-1927</u>		
Fractional Ownership Aircraft: O Yes O			Country: USA			
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Name: Airborne Tactical Advantage Con			City: Newport News			
			State: VA	ZIP: <u>23602</u>		
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Proximity to Airport: OOff Airport/Airstrip		a	rection From Airport: irport Elevation:			
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Middle Initial: O					State: _C	A		ZIP: 9301	2	
Last Name: Kurtz					Country:	USA				
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ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)									
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DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY									
Aircraft Dam O None O Minor	age O Substantial O Destroyed O Unknown	Aircraft Fire None In-Flight On-Ground	O Both Ground and In-Flight O Fire at Unknown Time O Unknown	Aircraft Explosion None In-Flight On-Ground	O Both Ground and In-Flight O Explosion at Unknown Time O Unknown				

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (Use additional sheet if necessary)

Aircraft assessed to be completely destroyed upon high speed water impact. There was only an oil slick observed on the water surface with no debris observed.

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT (Please type or print in ink)

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

On August 22, 2017, at 1615 Pacific daylight time, a Hawker Hunter MK.58, single-seat turbojet fighter airplane, registration N338AX, operated by ATAC (Airborne Tactical Advantage Company) under contract to Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR), departed controlled flight and crashed in Warning Area 291 (W-291). The sole occupant pilot aboard commanded ejection from the aircraft prior to the aircraft impacting the water, sustaining minor injuries to his back. The mishap aircraft impacted the water at high speed and is assessed to be completely destroyed. The pilot was recovered from the water by a Navy helicopter and transported to the USS BUNKER HILL for initial observation and assessment prior to being transported by helicopter to Balboa Naval Hospital, San Diego. The flight was conducted under the provisions of a contract between ATAC and the United States Navy to provide ATAC operated aircraft to support adversary and electronic warfare training with Carrier Strike Group 15 (CSG 15). The airplane was operating as a non-military public aircraft under the provisions of Title 49 of the United States Code (U.S.C.) Sections 40102 and 40125.

The mishap aircraft departed KNTD at 1517PDT as the flight lead in a flight of two Hawker Hunters, intending to participate in an adversarial support air defense training exercise offshore in W-291. The flight's ATC radio callsign was "ATAC 11 / 12"; the mishap aircraft was "ATAC 11". The mishap occurred during the adversarial support portion of the mission. The adversary mission was in support of an Air Defense Vulnerability period for Carrier Air Wing 17/ USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT Carrier Strike group assets. Two F-35As from the U.S. Air Force's 62nd Fighter Squadron were participating in the exercise and were conducting a Defensive Counter Air mission. The F-35s had previously escorted and identified the mishap flight. They had broken off their escort, and the mishap flight turned to follow them. The F-35s then conducted what appeared to be a defensive maneuver to turn back towards the mishap flight, with one jet joining on the mishap pilot's aircraft and the other on the mishap wingman's aircraft. The mishap pilot was between 300 – 350 knots at approximately 13,000 – 14,000 feet MSL just prior to the event as confirmed through mishap flight member recall, SCORE LATR data (range tracking system), and the mishap wingman's Garmin G3X recorded data.

The mishap pilot stated that the F-35 was on his left side. The F-35 then got acute (forward) of the mishap pilot, and when he did, he flew ahead of and then crossed directly in front of the mishap pilot from left to right. The mishap flight members estimated the range was between 1500 and 2500 feet. The mishap pilot then flew through F-35 jet wash at close range and felt a violent thump as he went through it. The mishap pilot did not immediately lose control of the aircraft, and did not notice any damage to the aircraft at that time. The mishap pilot lost sight of the F-35 as it crossed his nose and then rolled the aircraft right with a gentle pull (approximately 2 Gs) to look for the F-35. As the mishap pilot rolled the aircraft right and began to pull, the mishap aircraft departed controlled flight to the left. The mishap pilot never regained sight of the F-35 and for the rest of mishap flight was solely focused on regaining control of his aircraft.

The mishap pilot was able to counter the roll despite a very stiff lateral stick force. He rolled the aircraft back to the right to level the wings. While correcting the roll, the mishap aircraft nose had begun to slice below the horizon, and so the mishap pilot initiated a light pull (2 – 3 Gs) back to the horizon. As the mishap pilot began this pull back to the horizon, the aircraft again departed controlled flight to the left. The mishap pilot repeated this cycle at least one more time, possibly two more times. Every time the mishap pilot would regain wings level and attempt to gently pull the nose to the horizon, the aircraft would depart to the left.

The mishap pilot did not believe he was in a spin, but as he was still out of control he pushed the stick forward in accordance with OCF procedures, just in case he was. As he did this, he saw the aircraft airspeed above 300 knots, confirming he was not in a spin. The mishap pilot recalls seeing both flight control magnetic indicators (aileron and elevator) indicating "black" during his attempts to recover controlled flight. "Black" indicates that the flight controls are engaged and boosted, the mishap pilot did not recall seeing the Hydraulic Warning Light, which illuminates during low hydraulic pressure conditions, which is located right next to the Flight Control magnetic indicators. Following flying through the F-35A jet wash, the mishap pilot stated that he had high lateral stick forces, recalling moving the stick about an inch or so in order to roll wings level but that was as far as he could move the stick. This could indicate that the hydraulic boost was not functioning correctly or that the flight controls were physically jammed, preventing full range of motion. The mishap pilot does not specifically remember longitudinal forces, but he stated that he did not have a problem either pulling back to recover or pushing forward to execute the Out of Controlled Flight procedure. The mishap pilot stated that the engine appeared to operate normally throughout the incident and that the flight controls operated perfectly right up until he flew through the F-35A jet wash.

The mishap wingman stated that he watched the entire incident from a point prior to when the F-35A flew in front of the mishap aircraft and all the way until the mishap aircraft impacted the water. His recall of the event matches that of the mishap pilot. The mishap

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