



NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Kate Benhoff
Air Safety Investigator
General Aviation Accident Investigation Division, AS-20

Date: July 29, 2019
Person Contacted: Jake Daniels (Pilot)
NTSB Accident Number: GAA19CA372

The following is a summary of a telephone conversation with the above mentioned:

The pilot reported that, during preflight, he verified the rear cargo door was closed. He tugged on the door and looked at the latch. He left the front cargo door open to allow the passenger to close it. He then walked around to the other side and observed the passenger close the front door and move the latch lever forward and attempt to put his seat belt on from the right seat. The passenger's seat belt was pried back from the rear and the belt became wedged. He told the passenger he could switch to the left seat.

He did not witness the passenger pull the seat belt around the way on the right side, but watched him put on his seatbelt when he moved to the left side.

In flight, both the front and rear cargo doors opened, but the rear door swung backward and caused the fuselage damage.

He reported that the red lever paint transfer was not there before the flight.

He added that he took a video of him passing the right passenger seat belt along the right side and the seat belt grabbed the latch and was able to unlock the rear door latch.