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Case Number
22-30221

Upon arrival airport operations advised patrol units that there were two people who were in the plane at the time of the crash. They were reported to have already exited the plane and were uninjured.

Airport operations then escorted patrol units, EMS-7, and the Fairfield Fire Department to the scene of the crash.

The airplane (bearing tail number N8925Y) was located on the grass just off runway #4 at the northern most part of the airport closest to New Dutch Road. Both parties were waiting with another airport operations vehicle. Both parties stated they were uninjured.

INTERVIEW WITH PILOT:

I made contact with the pilot, Mr. Bjorn Matz, and asked what had happened. Mr. Matz attempted to explain he was trying to land the plane when something went wrong causing them to crash. Mr. Matz kept changing his recollection of the plane crash, and eventually stated he was too shook up and could not recall what had happened. It should be noted that Aircraft Controller's informed us the plane was attempting to take off, not land. When asked, Mr. Matz stated he did not take any medication, nor consume alcohol. Mr. Matz was unable to answer where he was, what day or year it was, or where he was flying the plane to. Due to his altered mental status, EMS-7 along with ALS assumed care of Mr. Matz, ultimately transporting him to Chilton Hospital.

INTERVIEW WITH PASSENGER:

Next I spoke with Ms. Ann Heller, who was the passenger of the plane. Ms. Heller stated they drove from Queens NY and arrived at the airport around 1000 hours this morning. Ms. Heller stated they were going to fly to Rogers Airport in Maine to see some friends. Ms. Heller stated once they were in the plane, Mr. Matz stated he forgot where they were going and had to ask the name of the airport. After informing Mr. Matz of their destination, Mr. Matz taxied to the runway and began to accelerate for take off. Mr. Matz ultimately aborted this take off due to believing Ms. Heller's door was not fully latched.

After Ms. Heller secured her door, Mr. Matz taxied the plane back to the beginning of the runway and prepared for take off once more. Just prior to taking off, Mr. Matz asked for the second time where they were flying to, Ms. Heller again had to inform Mr. Matz of their destination. Mr. Matz then proceeded to accelerate down the runway but aborted this second attempt at taking off claiming something felt wrong with the plane. While aborting his second attempt to take off, Mr. Matz shut down the engines and locked up the brakes to the aircraft. The aircraft skidded over 500 feet before running off the runway into the grass.

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