 <p>National Transportation Safety Board <b>FACTUAL REPORT</b> AVIATION</p>	NTSB ID: FTW88IA109	Aircraft Registration Number: N75356
	Occurrence Date: 05/24/1988	Most Critical Injury: None
	Occurrence Type: Incident	Investigated By: NTSB

Location/Time

Nearest City/Place NEW ORLEANS	State LA	Zip Code 70189	Local Time 1255	Time Zone CDT	
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Airport Proximity: Off Airport/Airstrip	Distance From Landing Facility: 0
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Aircraft Information Summary


Aircraft Manufacturer BOEING	Model/Series 737-3T0 /737-3T0	Type of Aircraft Airplane
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Revenue Sightseeing Flight: No	Air Medical Transport Flight: No
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Narrative

Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:

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<b>Landing Facility/Approach Information</b>					
Airport Name	Airport ID:	Airport Elevation Ft. MSL	Runway Used 0	Runway Length	Runway Width
Runway Surface Type:					
Runway Surface Condition:					
Approach/Arrival Flown: NONE					
VFR Approach/Landing: Forced Landing					
<b>Aircraft Information</b>					
Aircraft Manufacturer BOEING		Model/Series 737-3T0 /737-3T0		Serial Number 23838	
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Transport					
Landing Gear Type: Retractable - Tricycle					
Amateur Built Acft? No		Number of Seats: 146		Certified Max Gross Wt. 135500 LBS	
Number of Engines: 2					
Engine Type: Turbo Fan		Engine Manufacturer: GE		Model/Series: CFM56-3B1	
Rated Power: 20000 LBS					
- Aircraft Inspection Information					
Type of Last Inspection Continuous Airworthiness		Date of Last Inspection 05/1988		Time Since Last Inspection 10 Hours	
Airframe Total Time 81 Hours					
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information					
ELT Installed?/Type Yes /		ELT Operated? No		ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site? No	
<b>Owner/Operator Information</b>					
Registered Aircraft Owner POLARIS AIRCRAFT LEASING CORP.		Street Address FOUR EMBARCADERO CENTER			
		City SAN FRANCISCO		State CA	Zip Code 94111
Operator of Aircraft TACA INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES		Street Address P.O. BOX 20047			
		City KENNER		State LA	Zip Code 70141
Operator Does Business As:			Operator Designator Code: TAIF		
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held:					
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):					
Operating Certificate: Large Aircraft Operator			Operator Certificate:		
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 129: Foreign					
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Unknown; Scheduled; International; Passenger/Cargo					
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**First Pilot Information**

Name On File	City On File	State On File	Date of Birth On File	Age 29
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Sex: M	Seat Occupied: Left	Occupational Pilot? Civilian Pilot	Certificate Number: On File
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Certificate(s): Airline Transport; Foreign

Airplane Rating(s): Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land

Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA: None

Instrument Rating(s): Airplane

Instructor Rating(s): None

Current Biennial Flight Review?

Medical Cert.: Class 1	Medical Cert. Status: Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim.	Date of Last Medical Exam: 03/1988
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- Flight Time Matrix	All A/C	This Make and Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multi-Engine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	13410	4011	7000	6410	1500	750	240	110		
Pilot In Command(PIC)	10900	1343	7000	2557	1000	500	120	100		
Instructor										
Instruction Received										
Last 90 Days	240	240		240	100	25	8			
Last 30 Days	85	85		85	20	6				
Last 24 Hours	6	6		6		1				

Seatbelt Used? Yes	Shoulder Harness Used? Yes	Toxicology Performed? No	Second Pilot? Yes
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**Flight Plan/Itinerary**

Type of Flight Plan Filed: IFR

Departure Point BELIZE CITY	State OF	Airport Identifier BZE	Departure Time 1055	Time Zone CDT
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Destination Same as Accident/Incident Location	State	Airport Identifier MSY	
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Type of Clearance: IFR

Type of Airspace: TRSA

**Weather Information**

Source of Wx Information:

Company

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<b>Weather Information</b>					
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevation	WOF Distance From Accident Site	Direction From Accident Site
NEW	1253	CDT	9 Ft. MSL	5 NM	300 Deg. Mag.
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition: Unknown			0 Ft. AGL	Condition of Light: Day	
Lowest Ceiling: Broken		4500 Ft. AGL		Visibility: 8 SM	Altimeter: 29.00 "Hg
Temperature: 25 °C	Dew Point: 22 °C	Weather Conditions at Accident Site: Visual Conditions			
Wind Direction: 170		Wind Speed: 10		Wind Gusts:	
Visibility (RVR): 0 Ft.	Visibility (RVV) 0 SM				
Precip and/or Obscuration:					

<b>Accident Information</b>		
Aircraft Damage: Minor	Aircraft Fire: None	Aircraft Explosion: None

- Injury Summary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	TOTAL
First Pilot				1	1
Second Pilot				1	1
Student Pilot					
Flight Instructor					
Check Pilot				1	1
Flight Engineer					
Cabin Attendants				4	4
Other Crew					
Passengers				38	38
- TOTAL ABOARD -				45	45
Other Ground	0	0	0		0
- GRAND TOTAL -	0	0	0	45	45

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Administrative Information

Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)

WARREN V. WANDEL

Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation:

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