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Accident Investigation Bureau

Second Interim statement on the accident involving Associated Airlines Limited Embraer 120 ER aircraft with registration 5N-BJY at Joint Users Hydrant Installation (JUHI) Area, Murtala Muhammed Airport, Lagos State, Nigeria on 3rd October, 2013.

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On the 3rd of October 2013, an Associated Airlines Embraer 120 ER aircraft registered 5N-BJY was scheduled for a 0930hrs departure to Akure as a charter flight SCD361 with 7 crew and 13 passengers.

The crew requested for start-up which was granted. At the start of the engines, an automated audio warning of "Engine Control" was triggered. The crew was cleared for take-off on runway 18L. About 3 seconds after power was set, the first officer noticed that the aircraft was moving slowly, followed almost immediately with an automated warning from the onboard computer voice alert, "Take-off Flaps" and "Auto Feather". These warnings were heard throughout the duration of the flight.

5N-BJY subsequently crashed into the Joint Users Hydrant Installation area of Murtala Muhammed Airport, Lagos State, Nigeria. Sixteen (16) persons were fatally injured while four persons survived the accident.

TECHNICAL INVESTIGATION

The aircraft engines and propeller assembly were shipped to Pratt & Whitney Canada for examination. The report of the examination has been received and analysed by the Bureau.

The flight recorders have also been downloaded and analysed.

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FOLLOW-UP

A draft final report has been put together and a technical review of this report is ongoing. The report will subsequently be sent to stakeholders for their review and comments.