

**Interim statement on the technical investigation into the accident involving the
ZLIN 43 Aircraft, Registration 7T-VQP, Occurred at Jijel airport / Ferhat Abbas
on August 05th, 2025**

1. In accordance with the provisions of Annex 13 to ICAO – Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation, the Accident and Serious Incident Investigation Structure, in its capacity as the State of Occurrence, is responsible for investigating the circumstances of accidents and serious incidents.

2. This first interim statement has been prepared in accordance with Chapter 6, paragraph 6.6 of Annex 13 to ICAO, in order to provide information on the progress of the technical investigation into the accident involving the ZLIN 43 aircraft, registered 7T-VQP, of the Civil Protection Air Group, occurred on August 05th, 2025 at Jijel airport / Ferhat Abbas.

After take-off the aircraft from runway 35 at Jijel/Ferhat Abbas Airport at 15:04 UTC, the flight crew completed an initial circuit. They performed a touch-and-go on the same runway at 15:20 UTC to fly a second circuit. During the climb phase, the aircraft executed a right turn followed by a left turn, then went into a dive and rolled inverted before crashing onto the left shoulder of Runway 35. The aircraft was completely destroyed, and all four occupants perished.

Three technical investigators traveled to Jijel Airport on August 5, 2025, to gather information and documents relevant to the technical investigation.

The draft final report was transmitted to the States concerned for consultation on July 26th, 2026 in accordance with the provisions of ICAO Annex 13.

3. Pursuant to Law No. 98-06 of 03 Rabie El Aouel 1419, corresponding to June 27, 1998, as amended and supplemented, establishing the general rules relating to civil aviation, and by virtue of the Ministerial Decision No 345 of August 14th, 2025 a technical investigation commission has been established to determine the circumstances and causes of the accident and to issue safety recommendations, where appropriate.

4. The technical investigation commission is composed of:

Mr. BOURAOUI Chakib, Sub-Director of Accident and Serious Incident Investigation, Chairman;

Mr. HAMMOU Mohamed Nabil, PDG of VERITAL, Member;

Mr. MEKKI Salah, Sub-Director at ANAC, Member; and

Mr. CHOUICHA Mohamed, Head of service à ANAC, Member.

1- If the report cannot be made public within twelve months, the State conducting the investigation shall issue an interim statement on each anniversary of the occurrence, detailing the progress of the investigation and any safety issues raised.

2- ICAO – International Civil Aviation Organization, a specialized agency of the United Nations responsible for coordinating and regulating international air travel. The Convention establishes rules regarding airspace, aircraft registration, and safety. Currently, there are 193 contracting States to ICAO.

3- When the location of the accident or serious incident cannot be definitively established as being within the territory of a State, the State of Registry shall institute and conduct the necessary investigation. However, it may delegate all or part of the investigation to another State by mutual agreement and consent.

4- The following may participate in the technical investigation of an accident or serious incident occurring in Algeria:

- Accredited representatives of the State of Registry, the Operator, the State of Manufacture, and the State of Design of the aircraft;
 - Any State that, upon request, provides information, facilities, or experts;
 - Any State whose nationals are among the fatalities or seriously injured persons.
- Specify participants where applicable.

5. This interim statement concerns the progress of the investigation as of August 05th 2026, and is based on factual information collected in accordance with Annex 13 to ICAO. It is available on the website of the National Civil Aviation Agency: www.anac.dz.

6. As of today, the technical investigation is still ongoing and the final report has not yet been published. The main activities carried out since the beginning of the investigation include:

- ➔ Notification of the accident sent to the States concerned and ICAO on 10th August 2025;
- ➔ On-site missions were carried out in Jijel on August 5 and September 2, 2005, to gather information and documentation relating to the accident;
- ➔ Analysis of documentation and technical data related to the accident;
- ➔ Preparation and completion of the draft final investigation report;
- ➔ Transmission of the draft final report of the investigation to the States concerned for consultation.

7. The information collected is preliminary in nature and may be revised in light of new evidence prior to the publication of the final report.

8. The Accident and Serious Incident Investigation Structure is currently awaiting the observations of the States concerned, to which the draft final report was transmitted for consultation, in order to finalize the final report prior to its publication.

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