

MISHAP REPORT

242nd Aviation Co.
CH47C 69-17105 (B620)
12 July 1979
Alaska

Major Accident - Aircraft Stricken

The aircraft had just landed at a field site. While turning on the ground a large cargo parachute was drawn up into the rear rotor system. The parachute was on the ground at the right rear area of the helicopter.

The parachute then entangled with the forward rotor system and both rotor systems departed the aircraft along with parts of their respective pylons. A fire erupted in the aft end of the aircraft and the aircraft was totally consumed by the ground fire.

There were no reports of any injuries to the 4 crewmen on board but (3) persons on the ground received minor injuries.

A U.S. Army Safety Center team was dispatched to investigate this accident.


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