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Air Accident Investigation Authority

Collision with Obstacle(s) during Take-off and Landing (CTOL)

Interim Statement

Accident Investigation

BGD Dual 2 Tandem Paraglider

Ngong Ping, Ma On Shan,

Hong Kong

2 October 2023

ITR-2024-05

In accordance with the Hong Kong Civil Aviation (Investigation of Accidents) Regulations (Cap. 448B), an investigation is in progress to determine the circumstances and causes relating to the accident involving a BGD Dual 2 tandem paraglider which lost control and impacted the terrain shortly after take-off from Ngong Ping, Ma On Shan on 2 October 2023. The passenger was seriously injured and conveyed to the hospital for treatment.

During the investigation, AAIA identified a safety issue in proper connection of vital points between paraglider and harnesses, which was considered a safety risk requiring timely mitigations. Consequently, a Safety Recommendation was made to the Hong Kong China Paragliding Association and the International Paragliding Association. The recommendation is for the two organisations to re-emphasize the crucial importance of ensuring proper connection of all vital points of paraglider and harnesses during the pre-flight check to all participants of paragliding in Hong Kong. This is vital to prevent any potential separation between occupants and the paraglider while in flight.

In addition, a draft Investigation Report is being prepared by AAIA. A notice including the draft Investigation Report will be served to the concerned parties in accordance with Regulation 11 of Cap. 448B for their representations, when ready.

In accordance with paragraph 6.6 of Annex 13 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, if the report cannot be made publicly available within twelve months, the State/Administration conducting the investigation shall make an interim statement publicly available on each anniversary of the occurrence, detailing the progress of the investigation and any safety issues raised.

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