



AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION AND INQUIRY BOARD

INTERIM STATEMENT

RP-C5911 DE HAVILLAND AIRCRAFT OF CANADA LIMITED DHC-8-402

OPERATOR: PAL EXPRESS

TYPE OF OPERATION: COMMERCIAL AIR TRANSPORT

DATE OF OCCURRENCE: DECEMBER 27, 2024

*PLACE OF OCCURRENCE: BACOLOD-SILAY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, SILAY,
NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, PHILIPPINES*

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.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On December 27, 2024 at approximately 0535H (local time), a DHC-8-402 aircraft, registration RP-C5911, operated by Air Philippines Corporation (dba PAL Express), experienced a runway side excursion following landing on runway 03 at Bacolod–Silay International Airport, Silay, Negros Occidental, Philippines. The flight was a scheduled commercial service (PR-2285) from Mactan–Cebu International Airport to Bacolod.

The aircraft was carrying two (2) flight crew members, two (2) cabin crew members, sixty-eight (68) passengers, and one (1) infant. Weather conditions at the time included moderate rain and a reported wind from 030° at 8 knots. The Pilot-in-Command was the pilot flying during the approach and landing, which was reported as stabilized.

Upon touchdown, the aircraft deviated toward the right side of the runway. Despite the application of corrective control inputs, the aircraft exited the paved surface and entered the adjacent grassy area before control was regained and the aircraft was steered back onto the runway. The aircraft came to a stop near taxiway B and was subsequently towed to the apron for passenger disembarkation.

There were no injuries to passengers or crew, and no damage to the aircraft was reported.

STATUS OF INVESTIGATION

The AAIB has completed the draft Final Investigation Report, which is currently under review by the Accredited Representative (ACCREP) for substantial comments, in accordance with Section 6.3 of ICAO Annex 13 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation. The Final Report will be finalized upon receipt and consideration of the ACCREP's comments.

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