

An update on the Crash of Sibir Airlines A310



Sibir Airlines A310

Accident Information Telex (AIT) from the Airbus Flight Safety Dept., Toulouse dtd. July 17, 2006 is given below

This AIT is an update of previous AIT concerning the 03 may 2006 A320 ARMAVIA flight RNV 967 accident in Sochi, Russia. The following information has been approved for release by the Interstate Aviation Committee (mak):

The aircraft was approaching runway 06 at Sochi airport (Russia). While the aircraft was in landing configuration and stabilized on glide and loc, and upon ATC request due to **cloud base below minima**, the crew stopped descending, turned right and climbed to reach 2000 ft sea level (600 m).

While the aircraft was in **manual flight with auto-throttle engaged** flying outbound from Rwy 06 in landing configuration (flaps/slats full, gear down) at 165 kts and at 1500 ft, there were **significant roll inputs and nose-down inputs, most probably due to the loss of pitch and roll awareness from the captain's side.**

Subsequently there was insufficient nose-up input in response to EGPWS warning to avoid **impact.**

Further to the last progress meeting with the commission of investigation and with the BEA, it is confirmed that:

- **There was no aircraft system malfunction,**
- **The aircraft responded normally according to either autopilot orders or pilot manual inputs**

At this stage airbus has no specific recommendations to give to operators.