



NOTIFICATION OF CESSATION OF AN INVESTIGATION

This is to inform you of the cessation of the following investigation:

Place, date and time: 22 NM southwest of Geneva Airport, 7th December 2012, 11:00 UTC

Aircraft:

Registration Mark: HB-IZJ
Type: SAAB 2000
Operator: Darwin Airline SA, Centro Nord Sud, 6934 Bioggio
Owner: Darwin Airline SA, Centro Nord Sud, 6934 Bioggio

Pilots: 2

Cabin Crew: 1

Passengers: 19

Flight:

Flight rules: IFR
Type of operation: Scheduled Flight
Point of departure: Rome Fiumicino (LIRF)
Point of landing: Geneva (LSGG)

Damage:

Crew: 0
Passengers: 0
Thirds: 0
Aircraft: None
Ground: None

Short description of the incident:

After encountering fuel filter problems on both engines, the aircraft landed successfully.

Reason:

The investigation revealed that the fuel filter blockage on both engines was not associated with any fuel by-passing and that no fuel contamination was present. The fuel filter blockage of the left hand engine occurred on the preceding flight from Geneva to Rome where the required inspection of the fuel filter mechanical actual bypass indication (pop-out) was not performed. As a consequence the associated warning was again present on the return flight.



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After careful review and assessment of all relevant facts it was concluded that there was at no time any severe risk or danger, neither for passengers, crew nor the aircraft itself.

The crew's decision to land in Geneva was correct, approach and landing was performed according to the appropriate checklist.