

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
199301039**

**Lockheed Georgia Co
Orion**

23 April 1993

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Occurrence Number: 199301039 **Occurrence Type:** Incident
Location: Oodnadatta
State: SA **Inv Category:** 4
Date: Friday 23 April 1993
Time: 1344 hours **Time Zone** CST
Highest Injury Level: None

Aircraft Manufacturer: Lockheed Georgia Co
Aircraft Model: P-3C
Aircraft Registration: REG_1993010391 **Serial Number:**
Type of Operation: Non-commercial Other (including military)
Damage to Aircraft: Nil
Departure Point: Edinburgh SA
Departure Time:
Destination: Port Hedland WA

Approved for Release: Thursday, October 27, 1994

The Sector was operated by a trainee under the supervision of a training officer. The trainee was nearing the final stages of both sector training and the end of training to obtain an air traffic control licence.

Enroute after passing Oodnadatta at Flight Level 260 the crew requested and were approved for climb to Flight Level 280. This change of level was not passed on to Darwin. No loss of separation occurred.

The attention of the controllers on the Melbourne sector was diverted when they received co-ordination on an aircraft for which no details were held. Traffic conditions were busy.

Significant Factors

The following factors were considered relevant to the development of the incident:

1. Controller attention diverted by another task.
 2. Both the trainee and the supervising controller overlooked the need for co-ordination with Darwin.
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