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Viação Aérea São Paulo, S.A., Scandia, PP-SQE, fell into the sea at Guanabara Bay, Brazil on 30 December 1958. Accident Report Form Summary as released by the Air Ministry, Brazil, 13 April 1959.

Circumstances

After take-off from SBRJ (Rio de Janeiro) on a flight to SBSP (São Paulo/Congonhas) the port engine failed unexpectedly at a height of about 50 metres. The pilot applied the emergency procedures, then made a 90-degree left turn. After flying about 500 metres on the new heading, he started another left turn, when the aircraft stalled and fell into the sea, killing

4 crew members and 17 passengers and seriously injuring 16 other passengers.

Probable Cause

The accident was attributed to the pilot's incorrect handling of the controls in flight.

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