National Transportation Safety Board FACTUAL REPORT AVIATION

NTSB ID: DCA09IA055

Aircraft Registration Number: PT-MVB

Occurrence Date: 05/21/2009

Most Critical Injury: None

Occurrence Type: Incident

Investigated By: NTSB

Location/Time

Nearest City/Place	State	Zip Code	Local Time	Time Zone				
Los Cayes			2147	EDT				
Airport Proximity: Off Airport/Airstrip	Distance From Landing Facility: 60							

Aircraft Information Summary

Alicial illomation Summary								
Aircraft Manufacturer	Model/Series	Type of Aircraft						
AIRBUS	A330/200	Airplane						

Revenue Sightseeing Flight: No

Air Medical Transport Flight: No

Narrative

Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:

*** Note: NTSB investigators used data provided by various sources and may not have traveled in support of this investigation to prepare this aircraft incident report. ***

On May 21, 2009, at 2147 EDT, an Airbus A330-200, Brazilian registration PT-MVB, operated by TAM Airlines as flight 8091 from Miami International Airport, Florida, to Sao Paulo Guarulhos International Airport, Brazil, experienced a loss of primary speed and altitude information while in cruise flight at FL370. Initial reports indicated that the flight crew noted an abrupt drop in outside air temperature and observed St. Elmo's Fire, followed by the loss of the Air Data Reference System, disconnections of autopilot and autothrust, and loss of primary airspeed and altitude. The flight crew continued using backup instruments, and after approximately 5 minutes, primary data was restored. The airplane remained in alternate flight law and displayed a rudder travel limit flag. The crew determined they could not restore normal law and continued the flight under the appropriate procedures. The flight landed at Sao Paulo with no further incident and there were no injuries or damage.

With the concurrence of the Brazilian Centro de Investigação e Prevenção de Acidentes Aeronáuticos (CENIPA), the NTSB initiated an incident investigation into this event.

The final report for this incident was combined with and can be found under NTSB investigation number, DCA09IA064.

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AVIATION		Occurrer								
Landing Facility/Approach In	formation									
Airport Name		Airp	oort ID:	Airport Elevation	Run	way Used	Runwa	Runway Length		Runway Width
Los Cayes		0 Ft. MSL	. N/A	N/A						
Runway Surface Type:										
Runway Surface Condition:										
Approach/Arrival Flown: NONE	Ē									
VFR Approach/Landing: None										
Aircraft Information										
Aircraft Manufacturer			Model/						Numbei	
AIRBUS			A330	7200				238		
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Trans	sport -									
Landing Gear Type: Retractable	- Tricycle									
Amateur Built Acft? No	Amateur Built Acft? No Number of Seats:					LBS Numbe			er of Engines: 2	
Engine Type: Turbo Fan	Engine Manufacturer: Model/Serie Pratt & Whitney PW4000					Rated Po				
- Aircraft Inspection Information										
Type of Last Inspection		Da	Date of Last Inspection			nce Last Insp		Airfram	e Total Time	
							Но	ours		Hours
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information	•						•		
ELT Installed?/Type Yes / Unkno	wn	EL	ELT Operated? No ELT Aided in Locating Ad					ent Site?	? No	
Owner/Operator Information										
Registered Aircraft Owner Street Address										
TAM		ļ	City		State	Zip Code				
Street Address										
Operator of Aircraft		ŀ	City						State	zip Code
TAM	Sao Paulo									
Operator Does Business As: Operator Designator Code:										
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held:	<u> </u>									
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s)	Foreign Operatio	n								
Operating Certificate: Operator Certificate:										
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 129: Foreign										
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Scheduled; International; Passenger Only										
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First Pilo	ot Information																
Name								ity			State Da		Date of Birth		A	\ge	
Sex: Seat Occupied: Occupational Pilot? Certificate Number:																	
Certificate					·												
Airplane F	Rating(s):																
Rotorcraft	/Glider/LTA:																
Instrumen	t Rating(s):																
Instructor	Rating(s):																
Current Bi	ennial Flight Revie	ew?															
Medical C	ert.:	Med	dical Cert.	Status	3:						Date of La	ast M	edical E	xam	1:		
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- Flight Ti	me Matrix	All A/C	This Ma		Airplane Single Engine			Night	ight Instrum		ıment Simulated		Rotorcraft		Glider	Ligh Than	
Total Tim	e						T					1		一			
Pilot In Co	ommand(PIC)																
Instructor																	
Instruction	n Received																
Last 90 D	ays																
Last 30 D	ays																
Last 24 H	lours	<u> </u>															
Seatbelt L	Jsed?	S	houlder Ha	rness	Used?			Toxico	Toxicology Performed? Second Pilot? Yes								
Flight Pl	an/Itinerary																
Type of FI	ight Plan Filed: F	R															
Departure	Point							State	State Airpo			rport Identifier			Time	Time Z	Zone
Same as	Accident/Incide	ent Locati	ion								KMIA		0021			UTC	
Destination	n							State		Airpo	irport Identifier						
Sao Paulo								SGRU									
Type of C	learance: IFR							-	-								
Type of A	irspace:																
Weathe	r Information																
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	AVIATION	Oc	Occurrence Type: Incident											
Weather	Information							_						
WOF ID Observation Time Time Zone				Elevatio	n	WOF Dis	stance From	Accide	ent Site		Direction From Acc	cident Site		
												- · ·		
				Ft. I	MSL				NM			Deg. Mag.		
Sky/Lowes	ky/Lowest Cloud Condition:						Ft. AGI	L	Condition of Light: Night/Dark					
Lowest Cei	iling:		Ft. A	\GL	Visibil	lity:		SM Altimeter:			"Hg			
Temperatu	ıre: °C [°C	Weath	ner Condit	ions at Accid	dent Sit	e: Visual (Conc	litions				
Wind Direc	etion:	Wind Spe	ed:			Wind	I Gusts:							
Visibility (R	RVR): Ft.	Visibility	(RVV)		SM									
Precip and	l/or Obscuration:													
Accident	Information													
			- 					$\overline{}$						
Aircraft Dar	mage: None		Airo	Aircraft Fire: None					Aircraft Exp	losio	n None			
- Injury Sur	mmary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor		None	TOTAL							
First Pil	lot					1	1							
Second	d Pilot					1	1							
Student	t Pilot													
Flight Ir	nstructor													
Check F	Pilot													
Flight E	Engineer													
Cabin A	Attendants					6	6							
Other C	rew													
Passen	igers					168	168							
- TOTAL A	ABOARD -					176	176							
Other G	Ground			\top										
- GRAND	TOTAL -			\vdash		176	176							

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Administrative Information		
Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)		
William R. English		
Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Inci	ident Investigation:	