

In-progress Safety Investigation Statement

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This document informs about the initiation and progress of a safety investigation that is being conducted by the Air Accident Investigation unit (Belgium) in accordance with Annex 13 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation and Regulation (EU) No 996/2010.

The information may still be subject to change

SYNOPSIS

Occurrence class	Accident
Occurrence category	Loss of control - inflight (LOC-I)
Date and time ¹	Friday 15 July 2022 12:24 UTC
Location	Urban area, Bruges, Belgium
Aircraft	DynAero MCR-01
Aircraft category	Fixed wing - Ultralight
Location of departure	ULM Aerodrome of Zuienkerke (EBZU)
Planned destination	Aerodrome of Ursel (EBUL)
Type of operation	Non-commercial - Cross-country
Phase of flight	En route (cruise)
Injuries	1 minor
Aircraft damage	Substantial

En route, an ultralight aircraft experienced a disturbance and the pilot activated the Ballistic Rescue System. The airplane descended under the parachute and landed, nose first in an Urban area of Bruges. The pilot climbed out with minor injuries.

¹ All time data in this report are indicated in UTC, unless otherwise specified



PROGRESS OF THE INVESTIGATION

The investigation is still ongoing and in the analysis and report writing phase

In accordance with ICAO Annex 13 standards and EU 996/2010 regulation, the draft report will be forwarded to the following organisations to receive their comments and remarks: BEA and DGTA/DGLV

After reception of the comments and remarks, the final report will be published on the website of the Federal Public Service for Mobility and Transport.

Expected time of issue is end 2023.