

**SERIOUS INCIDENT**

<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	Cessna 402C, N618CA
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	2 Continental TSIO-520 SER piston engines
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1981
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	27 July 2017 at 1800 hrs
<b>Location:</b>	Terrance B. Lettsome International Airport, British Virgin Islands
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Commercial Air Transport (Passenger)
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 1                      Passengers - 7
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None                      Passengers - None
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	None reported
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Airline Transport Pilot's Licence
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	26 years
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	2,685 hours (of which 1,928 were on type) Last 90 days - 297 hours Last 28 days - 98 hours
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was departing from Runway 07 at Terrance B Lettsome Airport in the British Virgin Islands. The pilot reported the weather to be "hot and humid", with a temperature of 31°C, good visibility, scattered clouds at 1,900 ft, and a wind of 5 kt from 130°. Due to the limited length of Runway 07, combined with the weather conditions, the pilot elected to perform a short field takeoff (intended to minimise the takeoff ground roll required).

At around 86 KIAS, the pilot noticed significant bird activity so he elected to abort the takeoff. The aircraft came to a stop, approximately 10 ft beyond the end of the paved runway surface, in the grass. There were no injuries to persons, or damage to the aircraft.