

U.S. DEPT. COMM./NOAA/OAO - DATA SECTION WORK FORM NO.1 OAOWF1 FILE

FLT ID: 970204H	FM: EINN	TO: EINN
FLT NO: 97-021	BLK IN: 0550/1520	ATA: 1515
ETD: 0600	DLK OUT: 0550	RTD: 06040601
EYE: 1530	BLK TIME: 9.5	FLT TIME:
SPONSOR ORG: NOAA	PROGRAM: FASTEX	PURPOSE: IOP 10

OAO PERSONNEL

AC KENNEDY, D ✓	SYS ENG LYNCH, T ✓
CP KENAL, D ✓	DATA SYS MC MILLAN, S ✓
NAV KOZAK, S ✓	RADAR BARR, J ✓
FE ST TORREY, R/WADE, S ✓	DT/ODW CARPENTER, D ✓
RADIO ROGERS, M ✓	CLD PHYS
FD WHITE, S ✓	DOPPLER

PARTICIPATING SCIENTIST/VISITORS/OAO

LAST, FIRST NAME	ACTIVITY ON A/C	AFFILIATION
JORGENSEN, D ✓ \$5	SCIENTIST	NSSC
SHEPHERD, T ✓		NSSL
LEMAITRE, Y ✓		CNRS
OURY, S ✓		↓
JAUBERT, G ✓		

PROPOSED/ACTUAL MISSION/REMARKS (RECCO, FIXES, STORM, PENET, NHOP #)

57 20-10W METMAN 60
 46 N (04-152) KLWC 09442 ↓
 1003.9 48 02 → 5135 51101 5100
 50.5 1530 1550 1805 1318
 18.5 1610 (1357) 1730 48N
 1009.0 1655 1520

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FLT ID: 970204H

TIME OFF: 0604

TIME ON: 1515

	A/C T/O	WX STN	A/C LAND	WX STN
PRESSURE	1003.5	1003.9	1009.8	1009.0

NO DATA DISPOSITION/DATE/QUALITY

1/SEC FLT LVL TAPES	✓	
FAST FLT LVL TAPES	✓	
RADAR TAPES	✓	
DOPPLER TAPES	✓	
DDW CASSETTES		
HARD COPIES	✓	
AXBT		
AXCP		
ODW		

PHOTOGRAPHY

	FWD	LS	RS	VERT
ON				
OFF				
RATE				

REMARKS

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Time	LA	LO	TA	TD	WD	WS								
0545							ENG	58.1K						
0551							TAXI							
0604	LA	CO	TA	TD	260	16	TOFF							
0610	525.6	935.4	-4.8	-21.9	264	45.9	LEVEL							
0625							Balance TWR							
0700	524.6	133.6	-1.1	-6.2	299	22.1	start radar leg to pt 2							
0754:30	4846.0	1040.6	-4.9	-0.8	262	34.9	pearl right end radar leg							
0759	4844.3	1043.2	+4.8	-1.3	262	36.0	gross leg							
0820	4830.4	1224.1	+4.4	-1.3	270	34.5	start radar leg to pt 4							
0916	527.0	1270.5	-1.9	-7.9	292	16.0	end radar leg							
0936	5142.9	1431.3	-2.0	-6.6	318	13.4	start radar leg to pt 6							
			4.0	-3.9	270	33.7	change to new							
112:30	4846.8	1625.0	3.9	-2.6	270	25.0	start radar leg to pt 5135N 16.2W							
							start radar leg to pt 5135N 16.5W							
							start radar leg to receipt 5135N 16.5W							
1112:30	4846.8	1625.0	3.9	-2.6	270	25.0	pearl right							
1142	5030.2	1644.1	0.0	+4.3	249	15.9	end radar leg							
1152	5026.5	1226.3	0.4	-4.2	279	17.5	start radar leg							
1234	481.4	1518.8	5.3	-3.2	262	25.8	end radar leg							
							encircle CW entire region							
1340	490.9	1338.3	3.9	-2.6	251	26.1	climb 65 fwh 360°							
1342	4911.1	1321.9	0.5	-2.1	249	33.1	climb 74 fwh "							
1357	4932.2	1332.0	-1.4	-5.4	281	35.5	descend to 5K							
1415	51.04	13.28			274	14.0	BOLW							
1430 51	5058.5	1321.0	-3.7	-36.8	260	25.2	sound away							
1515					300	6	LWD							
							BLK							

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TITLE (MAX 21 CHARACTERS) -- EX  HURRICANE PAINE
FASTEX IOP10 FRONT WAVE
YYMMDDL  FLT I.D.
970204H
HHMMSS START TIME    -99999 DEFAULT TO START OF DATA FOR PRINTOUT ONLY
060011
HHMMSS END TIME      999999 DEFAULT TO END OF DATA FOR PRINTOUT ONLY
151700
HHMMSS TAKE OFF TIME
060100
* NUMBER OF TAPES (I2) ...FOR STANDARD TAPE OUTPUT ONLY
06
* -----LOGICAL UNIT OF INPUT DATA (I1)  5, 8 OR 9 FOR TAPE DRIVE
8
* -----LOGICAL UNIT OF OUTPUT TAPE DRIVE (I1) [FOR STANDARD TAPE ONLY]
8
* -----LOGICAL UNIT OF PRINTER (I1)
6
* -----DATE OF PROGRAM (MMDY)
06094
* -----STATIC PRESSURE PROBE (I1)
* 1 = PSW (WINGTIP)
* 2 = PSF (CO-PILOT/FUSELAGE)
* 3 = FUTURE USE
2
* -----DYNAMIC PRESSURE PROBE (I1)
* 0 = PQW(WINGTIP)
* 1 = PQF1 (FUSELAGE 1281)
* 2 = PQF2 (FUSELAGE 1221)
* 3 =FUTURE US
1
* -----INE SELECTION  (I1)
* 1 = INE 1
* 2 = INE 2
2
* -----ACCELEROMETER (I1) - USUALLY THE SAME AS YOUR INE SELECTION
2
* ----- TOTAL TEMPERATURE PROBE (I1) [1 OR 2]
1
* ----- DEWPOINT TEMPERATURE PROBE (I1) [1 OR 2]
2
* -----ALTIMETER OPTION (I1) - FOR VERTICAL WIND COMPUTATION
* 0 = PRESSURE ALTITUDE (OVER LAND)
* 1 = RADAR ALTITUDE APN-159 (OVER WATER)
* 2 = RADAR ALTITUDE APN-232 (OVER WATER)
1
* -----PRINTOUT RATE  SECONDS (I2)
30
* -----WINDSPEED/DIRECTION RUNNING AVERAGE TIME, SECONDS (I2)
10                                ! FOR STANDARD TAPE OUTPUT ONLY
* -----TIME OPTION (I1)
* 1 = MICRO 29
* 2 = TIME BASED GENERATOR #1
* 3 = TIME BASED GENEATOR #2
1
* -----NAME OF CONSTANTS FILE EX CO3863.CON
CO2971.CON
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DATE : 4 FEB 97

TO : Chief, AOC Flight Operations

FROM : Pilot/Flight Director, Aircraft W42RF ON BLOCKTIME
OFF 9.5

SUBJECT: Hazardous Duty

PURPOSE OF FLIGHT: FASTEX

Hazardous Duty Pay is required for flight made on 4 FEB 97
(DATE)

Request based on HAZARDOUS FLIGHT IN
REGION ASSOCIATED WITH CYCLOGENESIS
AT LOW ALTITUDES

Personnel on board authorized Hazard Pay:

TORREY, R

WADE, S

ROGERS, M

LYNCH, T

MCMICCAN, S

BARR, J

CARPENTER, D

PILOT/FLIGHT DIRECTOR: LCDR S. P. WHITE

APPROVED: DISAPPROVED:

CHIEF, AOC FLIGHT OPERATIONS:

FASTEX FLIGHT #6

FLIGHT #06 H970204

TYPE OF DATA

SENSOR OR OPTION

INE	2
Accelerometer	2
Temperature probe	1
Altitude change option (for vertical winds)	RA159
Static pressure	Rosemount fuselage
Dynamic pressure	Rosemount fuselage
Time source	Micro 99
Constants file	CO2971.CON

Notes:

There were thirteen time/data gaps 0607:41 0608:00 0647:40
 0647:41 0647:50 0751:21 0751:30 0821:01 0821:10 1111:21
 1111:30 1138:41 1138:50.

Radar Altitude (APN-159) patched from 0601:11 - 0601:21
 1452:01 - 1457:00
 1514:01 - 1517:00.

Accelerometer #2 (AV#2) patched from 1456:21 - 1457:00.

Downward spikes in radar altimeter data are a result of overflying land.

SPECIAL NOTE!!! Locations 80, 81 and 82 of record five on the
 standard tape contain vertical ground, vertical air
 and vertical speeds, respectively, computed using
 Dave Jorgensen's vertical wind algorithm.
 It is recommended that these values be used for
 vertical wind analysis.

	Takeoff	Landing
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Aircraft static pressure	1003.5 mb	1009.8 mb
Corrected tower pressure	1003.9 mb	1009.0 mb

Flight Meteorologist: Sean White, (813) 828-3310 ext. 3072

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FASTEX AIRCRAFT CHIEF SCIENTIST EVENT LOG

Flight Number: 970204H1 Page 1 of

Date: February 4, 1997 Aircraft ID: 42RF Scientist: Jorgensen

Event Log

Time (UTC)	Approx. Location (Lat, Lon)	Event & Comments
5:46:07	Shannon	Engine Start
5:51:36	Shannon	Blockout Dropsonde antenna fixed. Will try a test sonde on the ferry back. This is flight #6, IOP 10
6:00:39	52.709 -8.909	Takeoff METMAN: pt 1: 51 54N 13 42W 0702 Z 48 30 11 24W
6:30:53		308D and METMAN estimate their pt. 1 at about 0700. We're slowing down a bit to get there near 0652. Will need to spiral down to 5k ft when we get there
6:32:17	52.324 -11.534	No echo showing on LF to the SW
6:53:50	52.080 -13.163	at pt 1 descent spiral to 5k ft for 1st run
6:59:34	52.096 -13.077	start leg 1
7:01:54		308D started run at 0700
7:13:15	51.257 -12.493	LF shows precip cells 150 nm ahead near our turn point
7:30:02	50.248 -11.721	LF shows precip band now near our turn point oriented ENE-WSW
7:34:17	49.993 -11.538	small convective type storm about 10 nm ahead on nose radar. Lvl 2 dBZ
7:36:24	49.867 -11.447	Small storm now showing on TA. Tops only a km or two above us
7:41:13		since expected wave development is expected north of the band, we'll stick with the pattern as drawn up
7:44:00	49.413 -11.122	sfc pressure has been rising slightly as we go south, so the legs are set up well with respect to the pressure trough
7:44:53	49.361 -11.085	upper cloud deck is more evident on TA as we go south
7:47:58	49.173 -10.954	now in stratiform rain region, which was seen on LFEarlier. Weak bright band, very good velocity structure
7:53:06		METMAN60 advises pt 2 at 0757
7:54:39	48.776 -10.680	at end of leg at pt 2, perl #1 to the right in light stratiform precip
7:55:00		0818UTC for 308D to pt 3
7:59:20	48.736 -10.738	perl #1 completed, now tracking 264 toward pt 3
8:10:37	48.612 -11.655	beginning to break out of precip region
8:17:41		METMAN reports Ops Center 51 30N 17 30W at 12Z PV anomaly

8:19:20	48.493 -12.371	at pt 3 turn to trk 355 to pt 3 - start of leg 2 - ETA for pt 4 0915 Z
8:22:23		0912 ETA for 308D to pt 4
8:33:13	49.375 -12.483	see a blob of precip on LF near 48.5N 16.5W
8:48:15		0916 ETA for METMAN to pt 4. Their sondes are apparently working well with an improvised launch procedure.
8:57:04	50.875 -12.661	16.5W 50W expected precip and cloud head max at 10Z from Ops Center relayed via satcom from METMAN. That position is about 3 degrees of longitude west of our anticipated precip max location at 10Z.
9:15:44		308D at pt 4
9:16:39	52.118 -12.840	at pt 4, turn to trk to pt 5
9:18:34		0934 ETA for 308D to pt 5 - our ETA also 0934
9:21:17	52.060 -13.265	winds here are 312/17 - down near the middle of the last leg the winds were 256 - convergence zone?
		Sfc P 1012 mb here.
9:26:42	51.978 -13.778	no precip evident on the LF
9:34:34	51.852 -14.525	at pt 5 turn to trk 147 to pt 6 on leg 3. 308D also turned at same time
9:38:16	51.643 -14.373	blob of precip near 50N 16.5W which is close to the region where the Ops Center reported the models forecasted a "cloud head" region of the developing wave
10:14		Changing pattern to jump 50 nm on the other side of the Electra for new pt 7. Setting up a coordinated run to the north through the middle of the cloud head band. Now tracking SW to new pt 7 at
10:27:39	49.120 -14.031	Comma head shape to the precip zone 100 nm to our NW
10:31:43		Will go north with Electra 50 nm to our east at 1101 Z
10:46:43	48.471 -15.285	Going through zone of small convective cells
10:48:30	48.366 -15.484	Looks like a very narrow (5 nm wide) squall line on the east flank of the cloud head band oriented NE-SW. At 50 nm range on the LF it has specks of 40-45 dBZ
10:59:41	48.017 -16.142	at new pt 7, trk 355 to new pt 8 start of leg 4
11:01:10	48.068 -16.204	now tracking northbound
11:13:12	48.811 -16.453	perl to the right near the end of the squall line
11:15:41		end of perl resume northbound track
11:17:38		308D and P-3 nearly bracketed the line
11:35:50		estimate time for mid-run time of 1243 for next leg (pts 9-10). Estimated end of that leg 1320 Z
11:42:34	50.489 -16.727	prematurely cutting this leg short to cut over to new leg 9-10. Trk west to 17 30 lthen back SW to new point 10
11:50:23	50.511 -17.435	end of the westbound track-turning SE to new point 10-start of leg 5
12:00:41		308D completed pattern and is on its way back to SNN

12:02:22	49.843 -16.884	winds are picking up as we track to the SE
12:14:11	49.164 -16.280	going through a field of shallow convective cells that show a highly sheared appearance on the TA. from SE to NW
12:18:01	49.164 -16.280	A different appearance to the character of the LF sea return across the squall line. We're now passing through the SW end of it and the sea return blooms to the south, but virtually non-existent to the north.
12:26:41	49.164 -16.280	Broke through the line. Wind speeds have dramatically increased to 45 knots from 15 knots
12:34:25	48.016 -15.307	at pt 10 end of leg 5 and end of the systematic survey. Will now track 045 to intercept the line.
12:36:30		no precip on TA since we cut through the line
12:40:19	48.296 -14.884	going through a few shallow cells on the south side of the line
12:52:34	49.110 -14.652	through line turn to track 045 behind the line
12:56:00	49.273 -14.398	lots of stratiform precip this side of line - turbulence and some embedded convective cells
12:58:37		cloud head band has become detached from the squall line
13:00:24	49.477 -14.079	wave type structures at the tops of the TA echoes
13:10:10	49.842 -13.246	the convective part of the line has weakened considerably-not much indication of the comma head any more.
13:12:00	49.922 -13.114	turn to track 145 to get on the front side of the line
13:21:28	49.513 -12.396	ahead of the line now-end of leg turn to track 225
13:23:18		line now looks very ragged-just blobs of 35 dBZ cells
13:30:08	49.153 -12.852	turn to track 255 to follow the line to the west
13:40:19	49.009 -13.647	end of sw bound leg, outside turn and climb to 6 kft for run north
13:44:08	49.013 -13.531	start northbound run at 6k ft
13:47:40	49.249 -13.531	climb up to 7k ft to get past 0 degrees temp
13:58:02	49.941 -13.519	end of leg descend back to 5k ft and track to the buoy-will do a spiral ascent at the buoy and then release the sonde for a test
14:03:40	50.269 -13.449	no precip echo on the TA-large region of stratiform precip to the rear-now tracking 007 to the buoy
14:15:44	51.032 -13.297	at buoy-performing spiral ascent to 23k ft
14:26:09	50.986 -13.415	at 232k ft
14:30:55	50.975 -13.383	sonde away over the buoy
14:39:28		perfect sonde drop
14:46:47		about a 75 knot tailwind on the way home
15:14:41	52.705 -8.918	land
15:20:10		Block In

MSA Coordinator Summary Report

970204H IOP10 on Expected Frontal Wave Development

Aircraft Involved: P-3, Electra, UK C-130

Summary Description of Mission:

The planned primary mission was the systematic survey ("Lawnmower" pattern) on an active portion of frontal wave cyclone expected to develop in the southern part of the MSA. The P-3 and Electra departed Shannon on schedule about 0600 and 0540 UTC, respectively. The two Doppler aircraft rendezvoused with the C-130 begin the highly coordinated runs at the initial point at 0700 UTC. The first two legs of the systematic survey were basically completed in clear air, with only a narrow region near the southern turn points in, or near, a weak convective/stratiform band. During the first half of the third leg, a zone of precipitation was noted on the P-3s LF radar near 50N 16.5W which was also a region that the Ops Center (via an e-mail received by the C-130 satellite communications equipment) indicated was the expected region of "cloud head development" as an upper level PV max was predicted by the UKMO LAM model there. Based on the LF radar and model forecast, the flight tracks of the P-3 and C-130 were modified (the Electra flight plan could not be modified due to endurance limitations) to shift westward. To maintain the integrity of the "systematic survey" the P-3 track was shifted from 100 km to the east of the Electra, to 100 km to the west. The C-130 track was shifted to be down the middle of the two Doppler aircraft tracks. The new tracks nicely intercepted an advancing ENE-SSW squall line with the P-3 and Electra tracks bracketing the line, and the C-130 through the middle. Following the completion of its leg, the Electra departed the region at 1200 UTC and returned to Shannon. The P-3 and C-130 completed another leg through the western edge of the line, then the C-130 also departed. The P-3 continued to perform "Doppler boxes" around the line for another 1.5 hours. Following the completion of the Doppler patterns at 1400 UTC, (by which time the line had weakened and become a blob of stratiform rain with embedded convection) the P-3 tracked to the buoy at 51.02N, 13.33W, performed a spiral ascent to 23,000 ft, and drop a sonde to test the system. The sonde performed perfectly and the P-3 returned to Shannon at 1520 UTC.

Communications & Coordination:

1. No troubles.

P-3 Equipment Problems Encountered:

1. The P-3 Doppler radar displays seemed to occasionally show unrealistic radial velocity patterns.

Coordination Problems

1. No problems of note.

Recommendations & Evaluation:

1. Very good mission from an execution point of view. Coordination of legs was easily accomplished by speeding up and/or slowing down to synchronize each leg.
2. The last 2 legs of the P-3 and C-130, and the last leg of the Electra were within the most interesting precipitation region. The system resembled a "comma" with extensive stratiform precip behind (to the north and west) of the moving squall line.

--Dave Jorgensen & Yvon Lemaitre

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MISSION LOG

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EMERGENCY MESSAGE

TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO ANY AGENCY ON THE AIR-GROUND
FREQUENCY IN USE IF UNABLE TO ESTABLISH COMMS, ATTEMPT CONTACT ON
ANY OF THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES:

UHF/VOICE	VHF/VOICE	MF/VOICE	HF/VOICE	MF/CW
243.0	121.5	2182 KHZ	8364 KHZ	500 KHZ

THIS DAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY

NOAA _____, NOAA _____, NOAA _____

POSITION _____ N / S _____ E / W AT _____ Z

HEADING _____ TRUE/MAG _____

AT _____ KTS TRUE/INDICATED _____

FLIGHT LEVEL OR ALTITUDE _____

WE ARE A P-3 AIRCRAFT WITH _____ SOULS ON BOARD

NATURE OF EMERGENCY _____

ASSISTANCE DESIRED _____

PILOT INTENTIONS _____

WE HAVE _____ ENDURANCE REMAINING _____

[illegible]