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	Occurrence Date: 12/23/1988	Most Critical Injury: Serious
	Occurrence Type: Accident	Investigated By: NTSB

Location/Time

Nearest City/Place 38.54N, 173.24W	State PO	Zip Code 00000	Local Time 0030	Time Zone HST	
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Airport Proximity: Off Airport/Airstrip	Distance From Landing Facility: 0	Direction From Airport: 0
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Aircraft Information Summary


Aircraft Manufacturer BOEING	Model/Series 747SP-21	Type of Aircraft Airplane
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Sightseeing Flight: No	Air Medical Transport Flight: No
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Narrative

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

(This area is intentionally left blank for the narrative statement.)

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Landing Facility/Approach Information						
Airport Name		Airport ID: NONE	Airport Elevation Ft. MSL	Runway Used 0	Runway Length	Runway Width
Runway Surface Type:						
Runway Surface Condition:						
Type Instrument Approach: NONE						
VFR Approach/Landing: Straight-in						
Aircraft Information						
Aircraft Manufacturer BOEING		Model/Series 747SP-21		Serial Number 21547		
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Transport						
Landing Gear Type: Retractable - Tricycle						
Homebuilt Aircraft? No		Number of Seats: 331	Certified Max Gross Wt. 360000 LBS		Number of Engines: 4	
Engine Type: Turbo Fan		Engine Manufacturer: P&W		Model/Series: JT-9D	Rated Power: 40000 LBS	
- Aircraft Inspection Information						
Type of Last Inspection AAIP		Date of Last Inspection	Time Since Last Inspection Hours		Airframe Total Time Hours	
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information						
ELT Installed? No		ELT Operated? No		ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site? No		
Owner/Operator Information						
Registered Aircraft Owner BANKER'S TRUST CO.		Street Address P.O. BOX 318				
		City NEW YORK		State NY	Zip Code	
Operator of Aircraft UNITED AIRLINES		Street Address P.O. BOX 66100				
		City CHICAGO		State IL	Zip Code 60666	
Operator Does Business As:				Operator Designator Code: UALA		
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held:						
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s): Flag Carrier/Domestic						
Operating Certificate:			Operator Certificate:			
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 121: Air Carrier						
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Unknown						

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First Pilot Information

Name On File	City On File	State On File	Date of Birth On File	Age 60
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Sex: M	Seat Occupied: Left	Principal Profession: Civilian Pilot	Certificate Number: On File
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Certificate(s): Airline Transport

Airplane Rating(s): Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land

Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA: None

Instrument Rating(s): Airplane

Instructor Rating(s):

Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? Yes	Current Biennial Flight Review?
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Medical Cert.: Class 1	Medical Cert. Status: Valid Medical--no waivers/lim.	Date of Last Medical Exam:
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- Flight Time Matrix	All A/C	This Make and Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multi-Engine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	22735	810								
Pilot In Command(PIC)										
Instructor										
Last 90 Days	40									
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours	13									

Seatbelt Used? Yes	Shoulder Harness Used?	Toxicology Performed? No	Second Pilot? Yes
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Flight Plan/Itinerary

Type of Flight Plan Filed: IFR

Departure Point NORITA	State OF	Airport Identifier NRT	Departure Time 0000	Time Zone
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Destination SAN FRANCISCO	State CA	Airport Identifier SFO	
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Type of Clearance: IFR

Type of Airspace: Class A; Class E

Weather Information

Source of Briefing: Company

Method of Briefing:

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Weather Information					
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevation	WOF Distance From Accident Site	Direction From Accident Site
	0000		0 Ft. MSL	0 NM	0 Deg. Mag.
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition: Clear			0 Ft. AGL	Condition of Light: Dawn	
Lowest Ceiling: None		0 Ft. AGL	Visibility: 50 SM	Altimeter: 29.00	"Hg
Temperature: 10 °C	Dew Point: °C	Wind Direction: 240		Density Altitude: Ft.	
Wind Speed:	Gusts:	Weather Conditions at Accident Site:			
Visibility (RVR): 0 Ft.	Visibility (RVV) 0 SM	Intensity of Precipitation: Unknown			
Restrictions to Visibility: None					
Type of Precipitation: None					

Accident Information		
Aircraft Damage:	Aircraft Fire:	Aircraft Explosion

Classification:					
- Injury Summary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	TOTAL
First Pilot				1	1
Second Pilot				1	1
Student Pilot					
Flight Instructor					
Check Pilot					
Flight Engineer				1	1
Cabin Attendants		1	1	9	11
Other Crew					
Passengers				208	208
- TOTAL ABOARD -		1	1	220	222
Other Ground	0	0	0		0
- GRAND TOTAL -	0	1	1	220	222

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Administrative Information

Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)

THOMAS H. WILCOX

Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation: