



Transport Accident
Investigation
Commission

Order No: AO-2020/003/01

PROTECTION ORDER

Issued under section 12 of the Transport Accident Investigation Commission Act 1990

Helicopter impact with terrain in Kekerengu near Kaikoura 15 December 2020

The Transport Accident Investigation Commission ('the Commission') is investigating the occurrence involving the helicopter impact with terrain in Kaikoura on 15 December 2020 ('the Occurrence').

This Order relates to the following evidence involved in the Occurrence ('the Evidence'):

- The fuselage and any related helicopter parts

The Evidence may assist in establishing the circumstances and causes of the Occurrence.

To preserve and protect the Evidence, the Commission prohibits any person from entering and accessing the Evidence.

This Order does not apply to persons acting in their capacity as a first responder or under any memorandum of understanding with the Commission.

The Evidence may be accessed for the purpose of transporting the Evidence from its current location to the TAIC evidence facility, located at Unit 5, 21 Bell Road South, Gracefield, Lower Hutt 5010. All persons accessing the Evidence for this purpose must be made aware of this Order.

This Order applies from 15 December 2020 until revoked in writing.

It is an offence to not comply with this Order.

Signed on 15 December 2020

Harald Hendel

Chief Investigator of Accidents