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The BEA notes that, on a recurrent basis, working documents relating to ongoing safety investigations, containing non-validated information and covered by professional secrecy, have been divulged to the media, with aims other than those of the safety investigation.

Because of this, the BEA takes this opportunity to remind those involved that:

- the sole objective of safety investigations is to establish the precise circumstances and determine the causes of accidents or incidents and to draw safety lessons from this;
- a safety investigation involves long and rigorous work that results in the publication of a final report.

Biased, erroneous information, taken out of context and provided to journalists while the investigation has not been completed, gives rise to interpretation and speculation that can only upset the public and create controversy among those involved.

The BEA reminds those concerned that it alone is authorised to release information on an investigation that it has launched following an accident of incident.

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