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**SCAUWG.ORG Editor: Possible Explanation**

“Tail rotor failed. TR stopped as the helicopter came to high hover on approach about the palms.

Appears he tried to lift if about the trees which compounded the torque and started the

aggravated spin then lost control” ...TL

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We were there. It made a loud whining noise just before it lost control and smoke was visible from the rotor before parts

detached, flew off, and the copter crashed below.

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Palm tree cushioned impact. Without the palm, copter would have pancaked. Passengers were very lucky.

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Tail rotor gear case came apart, you can see the fluid blowout.

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Possible Tail Rotor Control Linkage Failure – Marked by Re Arrows – Analysis by

Wayne Salleng, aviator and historian

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