ACCIDENT: AIRBERLIN A321 AT DUSSELDORF ON SEP. 19, 2015, BURST TYRE ON TAKEOFF

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An airberlin Airbus A321-200, registration D-ABCK performing flight AB-3156 from Dusseldorf (Germany) to Kos (Greece) with 171 passengers and 7 crew, departed Dusseldorf's runway 23L and was climbing out of Dusseldorf when tyre debris was found on the runway. The crew of D-ABCK was informed about the debris, stopped the climb at FL270, descended the aircraft to FL100 and diverted to Munich (Germany) for a safe landing about 70 minutes after departure. Passengers observed a hole in the upper surface of the right hand wing.

Air Berlin confirmed that parts of the tyre separated during departure from Dusseldorf which damaged the wing.

Germany's BFU opened an investigation into the occurrence.

A replacement Airbus A321-200 registration D-ABCQ reached Kos with a delay of 8.5 hours.

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