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Case nr.: **M-03209/AIG-19**

Date: **14. September 2009**

Location: **During climb from Milano Airport**

Description: **Could not maintain cabin pressure**

Airplane TF-BBD (Boeing 737-300) was on a scheduled ferry flight from MLA to CGN, after maintenance. Start-up, taxi, and initial climb were all uneventful. The aircraft climbed to FL100 and the flight crew performed an aileron test, according to AMM 27-11-00705-003. After successful completion of the test, the crew requested to continue to climb to FL340. Between FL280 and FL300 the flight crew received a master caution overhead warning indicating an AUTOFAIL on the cabin pressurization panel. A green STBY mode light also illuminated. The crew immediately leveled off and verified a rapid cabin climb in excess of 2500 feet per minute. The flight crew accomplished the Autofail or Unscheduled Pressurization Change checklist in the QRH, but the cabin was still uncontrollable. Shortly after, when the cabin pressure reached 10,000 feet, the cabin altitude horn sounded. The flight crew donned oxygen masks, declared emergency, and commenced an emergency descent to FL100. The rest of the flight and the landing were uneventful. The Italian investigation board investigated the incident.

The Icelandic Transportation Safety Board (ITSB) decided not to write a formal report regarding this serious incident and closed the case during a board meeting on December 4, 2013.