Libyan plane crash

A plane crashed in Libya and The Washington Post made it breaking news.

News Alert: Libyan plane crashes in Tripoli, child survives
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A Libyan flight crashed on landing Wednesday with 104 people on board, the Associated Press reported. A search and rescue mission is underway, according to a statement posted on the Afriqiyah Airways Web site.

The head of the European Parliament says an 8-year old child has survived.

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Search term: there seemed little choice: liyban plane crash. That seemed about all there was.

It seemed so distant that it did not seem to me to be a good prospect for twitter activity. The Post breaking news release was at 5:22 a.m. EDT. I did not start the search until later that day. However, the first message found was from 2:15 a.m. CDT. Early tweeters got their information about the crash from sources reporting earlier than The Post. There were 1700 messages the first day, and the numbers have fallen sharply since.

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