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ATTN - OPSAV-NMCS

SUBJECT - SAFETY OF FLIGHT EMERGENCY MESSAGE IMMEDIATE GROUNDING ALL UH-1A UH-1 AIRCRAFT WITH THIN WALL NASTS INSTALLED. (UH-1-34-08) TO 35-1520-242-20-2 CONCERNING REPLACEMENT OF THIN WALL NASTS (NSN 1415-00-073-8203, P/N 204-040-366-9, NSN 1415-00-866-6032, P/N 204-040-366-11).

1. SUMMARY - A COMMAND DECISION HAS BEEN MADE TO GROUND ALL UH-1 SERIES HELICOPTER WITH THIN WALL NASTS INSTALLED. AIRCRAFT WILL REMAIN ON RED //X// STATUS UNTIL THICK WALL NASTS ARE INSTALLED. UH-107H AND EH-107H THIN WALL NASTS NSN 1415-00-073-8203, P/N 204-040-366-9 WILL BE REPLACED BY THICK WALL NASTS NSN 1415-00-255-2894, P/N 204-040-366-15. UH-107H THIN WALL NASTS NSN 1415-00-866-6032, P/N 204-040-366-11 WILL BE REPLACED BY THICK WALL NASTS NSN 1415-01-180-0306, P/N 204-040-366-103.

2. PURPOSE OF MESSAGE - GROUND UH-1S UNTIL THICK WALL NASTS ARE INSTALLED.

3. PRIORITY CLASSIFICATION - UPON RECEIPT OF THIS MESSAGE THE CONDITION STATUS OF THE SUBJECT AIRCRAFT WILL BE CHANGED TO A RED //X// UNTIL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS MESSAGE ARE MET.

4. ACTION - REPLACE THIN WALL NASTS WITH THICK WALL NASTS ON ALL

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AIRCRAFT EFFECTIVE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

5. AFFECTED AIRCRAFT ON A RED //X// STATUS ARE ALLOWED TO PERFORM NORMAL GROUND RUNUPS AND MAINTENANCE CHECKS AS REQUIRED.

6. AIRCRAFT ARE AUTHORIZED A ONE TIME FLIGHT ONLY TO HOME STATION.

7. REQUISITIONING PROCEDURES - AS THICK WALL NASTS BECOME AVAILABLE,

THIS COMMAND WILL ADVISE AIRM COORDINATOR TO SUBMIT REQUISITION BY

MESSAGE TO CDRAGSOON, ATTN - OPSAV-8003, NATIONAL GUARD AND

RESERVE ARE AUTHORIZED A ONE TIME EXCEPTION TO REQUISITION -15 NAST

ASSEMBLY USING MILITARY PRIORITY DESIGNATOR 03. THICK WALL NASTS

WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY PRIORITY TRANSPORTATION. A SMALL QUANTITY OF

NASTS WILL BE HELD BY WSOON TO FILL NMCS REQUISITIONS. NMCS

REQUISITIONS WILL NOT, REPEAT, WILL NOT BE USED TO FILL CHANGE OUT

REQUIREMENTS. POINT OF CONTACTS ARE MR. GEORGE HAICHENHELD,

WANGSON, DROPP-103, AUTOMON 693-3653 OR COMMERCIAL 314-263-3653 OR

MR. BOB JOHNSON, AUTOMON 693-3506 OR COMMERCIAL 314-263-3506.

8. REPORTING AND RECORDING -

a. RECORD ACCOMPLISHMENT OF YOUR INSPECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH

THE PROCEDURE IN TM 38-750. THE FOLLOWING FORMS ARE APPLICABLE -

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