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UH-1-83-08
UH-19/M only
540 series
1/2 blades

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MAJOR GENERAL EMIL L. KONOPNICKI SENDS
CDR NAS JACKSONVILLE FL PASS TO CUSTOMS AIR BRANCH
CDR HOMESTRAD FL PASS TO US CUSTOMS AIR BRANCH BLDG 220
SUBJECT SAFETY-OF-FLIGHT EMERGENCY MESSAGE, ONE TIME INSPECTION FOR
CERTAIN 540 SERIES MAIN ROTOR BLADES (NSN 1619-20-389-1950) ON ALL
UH-1 (C AND M ONLY) AND AH-1 SERIES AIRCRAFT (AH-1-83-24) AND
(UH-1-83-28) (C AND M MODELS ONLY)
NOTE THIS IS A SAFETY-OF-FLIGHT, EMERGENCY, ONE-TIME INSPECTION,
MESSAGE, RELEASED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AR 95-18 DATED 1 MAY 1980 AND
HAS NOT, REPEAT HAS NOT, BEEN TRANSMITTED TO UNITS SUBORDINATE TO
ADDRESSEES. ADDRESSEES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY RETRANSMIT THIS MESSAGE TO
SUBORDINATE UNITS, ACTIVITIES, OR ELEMENTS AFFECTED OR CONCERNED;
THE RETRANSMITTAL SHALL REFERENCE THIS MESSAGE. ACTION ADDRESSEES
WILL IMMEDIATELY VERIFY THIS RETRANSMISSION TO COMMANDER, TSARCOM,

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FN DRSTS-MPSD;
A: TSARCOM; DRSTS-MEA; 252309Z FEB 83; SUBJECT SAFETY-OF-FLIGHT
EMERGENCY MESSAGE; ONE TIME INSPECTION FOR CERTAIN 540 SERIES MAIN

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ROTOR BLADES ON ALL UH-1 (C AND M ONLY) AND AH-1 SERIES AIRCRAFT
(AH-1-83-01) AND (UH-1-83-03) (C AND M MODELS ONLY)

B: MESSAGE; TSARCOM; DRSTS-MEA; 040100Z MAR 83; SUBJECT
SAFETY-OF-FLIGHT EMERGENCY MESSAGE; ONE TIME INSPECTION FOR CERTAIN
540 SERIES MAIN ROTOR BLADES (NSN 1619-00-389-1950) ON ALL UH-1 (C
AND M ONLY) AND AH-1 SERIES AIRCRAFT (AH-1-83-03) AND (UH-1-83-06) (C
AND M MODELS ONLY);

1. SUMMARY

A: A FURTHER DETAILED REVIEW OF CONTRACTOR RECORDS INDICATES ALL
BLADES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BY THE CONTRACTOR AS BEING ACCEPTABLE
COULD NOT BE VERIFIED AS SERVICEABLE. ALTHOUGH THE RECORDS DO NOT
INDICATE SPECIFIC DISCREPANCIES, BASED ON THE UNCERTAINTY OF
ACCEPTABLE REPAIR PROCEDURES, AND IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY, THIS
ACTION TO REMOVE ALL QUESTIONABLE BLADES IS DIRECTED. WE HAVE TAKEN
THIS ACTION TO INSURE THAT ANY QUESTION AS TO SERVICEABILITY AND
SUITABILITY OF BLADES FOR FURTHER FLIGHT IS NOT IN DOUBT.

B: TSARCOM ISSUED REFERENCE A MESSAGE GROUNDING ALL BLADES IN
EFFECTED LOT UNIT. AN INSPECTION PROCEDURE COULD BE DEVELOPED THAT
WOULD INSURE SERVICEABILITY OF SUSPECT BLADES, EVEN WITH THE
CONTRACTORS STATEMENT THAT BLADES NOT COVERED IN REFERENCE A MESSAGE

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DID NOT HAVE QUESTIONABLE REPAIR PROCEDURES, A COMPLETE SEARCH OF
CONTRACTOR RECORDS WAS INITIATED; THIS HAS RESULTED IN SPECIFIC
DISCREPANCIES IN REPAIR PROCEDURES THAT WAS NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO
TSARCOM BY THE CONTRACTOR.

C: AS A RESULT OF TSARCOMS SEARCH OF CONTRACTORS RECORDS, THE
REMOVAL OF ALL BLADES BY THIS MESSAGE WILL INSURE THAT ALL
QUESTIONABLE BLADES ARE REMOVED FROM SERVICE;

D: IF REPLACEMENT BLADES ARE NOT AVAILABLE, DO NOT REMOVE
SUSPECT BLADES IN ORDER TO PERFORM MAINTENANCE CHECKS AND/OR SEVEN
DAY RUN-UPS;

2. PRIORITY CLASSIFICATION IMMEDIATE GROUNDING; UPON RECEIPT OF
THIS MESSAGE THE CONDITION STATUS OF THE SUBJECT AIRCRAFT WILL BE
CHANGED OR REMAIN IN A RED //X// CONDITION;

3. ALL 540 MAIN ROTOR BLADES IDENTIFIED BY SERIAL NUMBER IN
REFERENCE A AND B OR IDENTIFIED BY AN EVERGREEN OVERHAUL STAMP (EAC)
ETCHED ON DATA PLATE; REPEAT; EVERGREEN OVERHAUL STAMP (EAC) ETCHED
ON DATA PLATE WILL BE REMOVED FROM SERVICE AND LOCALLY PLACED IN

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CONDITION CODE J AND SHIPPED TO 852, CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT (MARK
FOR CONDITION CODE J);
4. BLADES IN SUPPLY ARE AFFECTED AND MUST BE PROCESSED IN COMPLIANCE
WITH THIS MESSAGE;
5. RECORDING AND REPORTING OF INSPECTION
A. RECORD ACCOMPLISHMENT OF YOUR INSPECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE PROCEDURE IN TM 38-752; THE FOLLOWING FORMS ARE APPLICABLE;
RECORD;
(1) DA FORM 2408-13, AIRCRAFT INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE
(2) DA FORM 2408-16, AIRCRAFT COMPONENT HISTORICAL RECORD
ONLY IF BLADES ARE REMOVED FROM AIRCRAFT AND REPLACED WITH LIKE
EM);
B. SAFETY OF FLIGHT FOLLOW UP REPORT RCS CSGLD 1860, MACOMMS
AND OTHER ACTION ADDRESSEES, UPON COMPLETION OF THE REQUIREMENTS SET

3TH IN THIS MESSAGE, OR NOT LATER THAN 1 APR 83 WILL FORWARD A MESSAGE REPORT OF ACTION ACCOMPLISHED TO COMMANDER, TSARCOM, ATTN DRSTS=MPSD, PER AR 95-18. UNITS WILL BE REPORTED AS DELINQUENT SEVEN

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DAYS AFTER TRANSMISSION OF THIS MESSAGE, THE REPORT WILL CITE THE SAFETY OF FLIGHT MESSAGE, THE AIRCRAFT MISSION DESIGN SERIES, AND SERIAL NUMBERS OF THE AIRCRAFT, WHEN MAIN ROTOR BLADE SERIAL NUMBERS THAT ARE LISTED IN REFERENCE A AND B ABOVE OR WITH THE EVERGREEN OVERHAUL STAMP ARE FOUND, LIST THE BLADE SERIAL NUMBER AND DATE THE BLADE WAS PLACED IN CONDITION J. IF ALL REQUIRED ACTIONS ARE NOT COMPLETED, THE REPORT WILL ALSO CONTAIN THE DATE BY WHICH IT IS ESTIMATED THEY WILL BE COMPLETED, WHEN THE ESTIMATED DATE OF COMPLETION ARRIVES, THE SERIAL NUMBERS REPORTED PREVIOUSLY AS NOT COMPLIED WITH WILL BE REPORTED BY MESSAGE, WITH PRESENT STATUS AND REVISED ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE, REVISED ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATES AND STATUS REPORTS WILL CONTINUE TO BE SUBMITTED UNTIL ALL REQUIRED ACTIONS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND REPORTED, FOR AIRCRAFT IN DEPOT MAINTENANCE, AWAITING DISPOSITION OR IN STORAGE, TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS

(1) IMMEDIATELY UPDATE THE AIRCRAFT LOGBOOK BY ENTERING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THIS MESSAGE ON THE DA FORM 2488-13.

(2) REPORT BY RETURN MESSAGE BY AIRCRAFT MDS AND SERIAL NUMBER THAT THE AIRCRAFT LOGBOOK HAS BEEN UPDATED TO INCLUDE THIS

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MESSAGE REQUIREMENT:

(3) PROVIDE A POINT OF CONTACT, WITH TELEPHONE NUMBER ON ALL REPORTS:

6. POINT OF CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS CONCERNING FORMS OR REPORTING IS MR. RAY PEARCE, DRSTS=MPSD, AUTOVON 693-3261, COMMERCIAL

314-263-3261.

7. LOGISTIC POINT OF CONTACT IS MR. STEVE DUCAR, AUTOVON 693-3736, COMMERCIAL 314-263-3736.

8. FOREIGN MILITARY SALES/FMS RECIPIENTS REQUIRING CLARIFICATION OF THIS MESSAGE SHOULD CONTACT USATSARCOM, DRSTS-1, CW4 JIM ORONIN, AUTOVON 693-2813, COMMERCIAL 314-263-2813.

9. TSARCOM TECHNICAL POINTS OF CONTACT ARE MESSRS. JIMMY SIMON AND ED SOTEROPOULOS, DRSTS-MEA, AUTOVON 693-3300, COMMERCIAL (314)

263-3300.

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