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ADDRESS:

ADDITIONAL MESSAGE TO ALL UNITS, ACTIVITIES, OR ELEMENTS.

ATTACHED OR CONCERNED,

THE RETRANSMITTAL SHALL REFERENCE THE MESSAGE, ALL PROS PASS TO CONTRACTOR, ACTION.

ADDRESS:

ELECTRICAL MEANS TO CDR TARCOM DRSTS-MHEA.

SUBJECT: SAFETY-OF-FLIGHT MESSAGE (URGENT), INSPECTION OF NUTS - TAIL ROTOR DRIVE SHAFT CLAMPS, NSN 5319-00-219-2269.

AH-1B-49-71 (UH-1D-635), APPLICABLE = ALL UH/SH-1

ND AH/TH-1 AIRCRAFT, TB 55-1528-243-22-4

SUMMARY OF PROBLEM: AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF SUBJECT NUTS NOT APPROVED BY THE ARMY HAVE BEEN ISSUED.

HIGH QUESTIONABLE FRICTION TORQUE STRENGTH; THIS MESSAGE AUTHORIZES CONTINUOUS USE OF SUCH NUTS WITH A DAILY INSPECTION TO INSURE FRICTION TORQUE UNTIL ACCEPTABLE NUTS CAN BE PROCURED.

THE INSPECTION OF SUBJECT NUTS SHOWN ON APPLICABLE THIS LISTED

IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING SERIES AIRCRAFT:

CLN A, UH/SH-1 SERIES A/C - TM 55-1528-243-23P, FIG. 179,

ITEMS 1A AND 4A, FIG. 158, ITEMS 1A AND 1B.

B, AH-10 A/C - TM 55-1528-221-23P, FIG. 115, ITEM B;

C, AH-15 (MOD) A/C - TM 55-1528-234-23P, FIG. 127,
D. AH-1S (PROD) A/C - TM 55-1520-236-23P, Fig. 25 and 53.

E. AH-1S (MOD MODZ) A/C - TM 55-1520-239-23P, Fig. 23.

F. ITEM 3:

G. PRIORITY CLASSIFICATION CLN

H. EQUIPMENT IN USE - UPON RECEIPT OF THIS MESSAGE

I. THE STATUS OF THE AIRCRAFT WILL BE CHANGED TO A CIRCLED "X". EQUIPMENT WILL BE INSPECTED BEFORE THE NEXT SCHEDULED FLIGHT OR DURING THE NEXT DAILY INSPECTION.

J. EQUIPMENT IN STORAGE - INSPECT AIRCRAFT PRIOR TO ISSUE.

K. NUTS IN STOCK - INSPECT AND DISPOSE OF UNAUTHORIZED NUTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE PROCEDURES UPON RECEIPT OF AUTHORIZED REPLACEMENT NUTS.

L. END ITEM TO BE INSPECTED - ALL UH/EH-1 AND AH/TH-1 AIRCRAFT.

M. ASSEMBLIES OR COMPONENTS - TAIL ROTOR DRIVE SHAFT CLAMP NUTS REFERENCED IN PARAGRAPH 1A-E ABOVE.

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G. APPLICATION CLN

A. CATEGORY OF MAINTENANCE

(1) OPERATIONAL AIRCRAFT, AVIATION UNIT MAINTENANCE (AVUM)

(2) AIRCRAFT UNDERGOING MAINTENANCE, ACTIVITY PERFORMING SUCH MAINTENANCE.

(3) AIRCRAFT IN TRANSIT

(A) IN SURFACE TRANSIT, FINAL DESTINATION MAINTENANCE ACTIVITY;

(B) IN FERRY STATUS, FIRST LOCATION WITH AVIATION MAINTENANCE (AVUM) OR HIGHER;

(4) AIRCRAFT ON LOAN OR BAILMENT, ACTIVITY TO WHOM AIRCRAFT IS LOANED OR BAILED

B. APPLIED BY:

APPLICABLE UH-1 MECHANIC MOS67N AND

AH-1 MECHANIC MOS67Y.

C. INSPECTED BY:

APPLICABLE INSPECTOR MOS67W OR

TECH INSPECTOR.

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