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SUBJECT - MAINTENANCE ADVISORY MESSAGE CONCERNING USE OF NONSTANDARD/
LOCALLY MANUFACTURED, HEAVY DUTY SKID SHOES ON UH-1/AH-1 SERIES
HELICOPTERS UH-1-79-9 AND AH-1-79-9.

A. AVSOM MESSAGE 281400Z JAN 77 SAB (UH-1-77-2 AND AH-1-77-2).
B. TSARCOM MESSAGE 302122Z JAN 76 SUBJ - INSPECTION REQUIREMENT FOR
NONSTANDARD/LOCALLY MANUFACTURED, HEAVY DUTY SKID SHOES ON UH-1 SERIES
AIRCRAFT (UH-1-78-2-2).
C. TM 55-1520-236-23 DATED 30 JUN 77.
D. TM 55-1520-234-23 DATED 30 SEP 76.
E. TM 55-1520-221-20 DATED 31 DEC 75.

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1. REF A RECOMMENDED NONSTANDARD/LOCALLY MANUFACTURED, HEAVY
DUTY SKID SHOES BE REMOVED FROM ANY UH-1/AH-1 HELICOPTER EXCEPT
THOSE DEDICATED TO PILOT STANDARDIZATION TRAINING OR THAT ARE
OTHERWISE ASSIGNED TO AN APPROVED PILOT TRANSITION COURSE. REF A
FURTHER ESTABLISHED A SPECIAL IN PCETION REQUIREMENT RECURRING AT
50 HOUR INTERVALS FOR THOSE UH-1/AH-1 HELICOPTERS THAT CONTINUE TO
USE NONSTANDARD/LOCALLY MANUFACTURED HEAVY DUTY SKID SHOES.

2. REF B REVISED AND CLARIFIED THE UH-1 HELICOPTER 50 HOUR
RECURRING INSPECTION REQUIREMENT AS BEING APPLICABLE ONLY WHEN
SKID SHOE WEIGHT IS 25 OR MORE POUNDS PER SIDE. THE UH-1 HELICOPTER
RECURRING 50 HOUR INSPECTION REQUIREMENT DOES NOT APPLY WHEN SKID
SHOE WEIGHT IS LESS THAN 25 POUNDS PER SIDE.

3. AS A RESULT OF THIS MESSAGE, THE 50 HOUR RECURRING INSPECTION
FOR AH-1 HELICOPTERS IS REVISED TO APPLY ONLY WHEN NONSTANDARD/
LOCALLY MANUFACTURED, HEAVY DUTY SKID SHOE WEIGHT IS GREATER THAN
20 POUNDS PER SIDE. RED C AND D DESCRIBE THE INSPECTION REQUIREMENT,
REF E WILL BE REVISED TO AGREE WITH REF C AND D UNTIL SUCH TIME
AS THE REF E REVISION IS RECEIVED FORMALY, THIS MESSAGE MAY BE
USED AS REFERENCE.

4. THE NEW LIGHTWEIGHT HEAVY DUTY SKID SHOE DEVELOPED BY BELL