MAJOR GENERAL ENIL L. KONOPNIKI SENDS

SUBJECT SAFETY-OF-FLIGHT EMERGENCY TECHNICAL MESSAGE, ONE TIME: INSPECTION OF CONNECTING LINK, RIGID, LEFT CYCLIC (NSN 3840-00-952-8221, P/N 204-276-267-1) AND CONNECTING LINK, RIGID, RIGHT CYCLIC (NSN 3840-00-952-7527, P/N 204-276-267-3) FOR ALL UH-1V, EH-60H, AND EH-61X AIRCRAFT, TB 55-1522-242-26-5 (UH-1-82-06)

1. SUMMARY
   A. A THREE MONTH PRODUCTION RUN OF SUBJECT CONNECTING LINKS CYCLIC ONLY ARE SUSPECTED OF NOT MEETING HEAT TREAT SPECIFICATIONS;
   B. SUBJECT LINKS HAVE NEVER BEEN INSERTED IN DEPOT SUPPLY STOCK,
THEREFORE, COULD NOT HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE FIELD BY REQUISITION.
HOWEVER, SUBJECT LINKS WERE INSTALLED ON 66 AIRCRAFT DURING THE LAST

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THREE MONTHS AT CCAD AND THESE AIRCRAFT WERE RELEASED TO THE FIELD
WORLDWIDE, SOME OF THESE LINKS COULD HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM ONE
AIRCRAFT TO ANOTHER.
2. PRIORITY URGENT, AIRCRAFT WILL BE PLACED ON A /RED X/ PRIOR
TO NEXT FLIGHT CONNECTING LINKS WILL BE INSPECTED ON ALL UH-1H/V;
EH-1H; AND EH-1X AIRCRAFT, AIRCRAFT MAY NOT BE RELEASED FOR FLIGHT
UNTIL THE FOLLOWING INSPECTION PROCEDURES ARE SATISFIED.
3. INSPECTION PROCEDURE VISUALLY INSPECT LEFT AND RIGHT CYCLIC
CONNECTING LINKS WHILE INSTALLED ON THE AIRCRAFT FOR FOLLOWING
   A. AN INK STAMP MIDWAY ON THE LINK TUBE WHICH READS FMC 12757;
   B. HIGH SHEAR RIVET HEADS FOR A SQUARE INDENTATION WITH THE
RAISED LETTERS VS;
4. DISPOSITION
   A. IF ANY MARKINGS OF 3A OR 3B ABOVE ARE NOTED REMOVE LINK FROM
   AIRCRAFT AND SHIP TO COMMANDER, CCAD, ATTN SDSCC-QQA, CORPUS
   CHRISTI, TX 78419.
   B. IF NONE OF 3A OR 3B ABOVE MARKINGS ARE NOTED AIRCRAFT IS
RELEASED FOR FLIGHT.

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SERVICEABLE LINKS HAVE EITHER RAISED LETTER A OR H ON THE RIVET HEADS.

5. RECORDING AND REPORTING OF INSPECTION
   a. RECORD ACCOMPLISHMENT OF YOUR INSPECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH
      THE PROCEDURE IN TM 38-759. THE FOLLOWING FORMS ARE APPLICABLE
      (1) DA FORM 2408-15, AIRCRAFT INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE
      RECORD;
      (2) DA FORM 2488-15, AIRCRAFT HISTORICAL RECORD;
   b. SAFETY-OF-FLIGHT MESSAGE FOLLOW-UP REPORT RGS-OSGLD-166;
      UPON COMPLETION OF REQUIREMENT SET FORTH IN THIS TB OR NOT LATER
      THAN FIVE DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THIS TB — WILL FORWARD A MESSAGE
      REPORT OF ACTIONS ACCOMPLISHED TO COMMANDER, USAFSARC, ATTN
IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: REVISION TO SAFETY-OF-FLIGHT EMERGENCY TECHNICAL MESSAGE,

UH-1/H/V, EH-56, AND EH-60X AIRCRAFT; TS 55-1520-242-20-5 (UH-1-62-26)

1. SUMMARY
A. IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT RIVETS WITH THE LETTERS VS-
B. THE FOLLOWING LIST OF AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBERS AND OWNED
C. ORGANIZATIONS ARE THE ONLY AFFECTED AIRCRAFT WHICH MUST COMPLY WITH A

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