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SUBJECT: MAINTENANCE ADVISORY MESSAGE FOR AH-10/TH-10/UH-10/H HELICOPTER AND BOOT ASSEMBLY P/N 542-811-427-1. AH-1-76-11 AND UH-1-76-11

1. PURPOSE OF MESSAGE: THIS MESSAGE IS INTENDED TO ALERT USERS OF

A SHORTCOMING OF THE BOOT ASSEMBLY P/N 542-811-427-1. SEVERAL REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED OF THE WIRE LOOPS CORRODING AND FALLING DOWN ON THE SHKSHPLATE UNIBALL CREATING A NUISANCE.

2. This shortcoming may be relieved by a visual examination, lift lower end of boot and inspect wire loops inside boot convolutions. If wires are loose enough to fall out or corroded, cut and remove and discard defective wire loops; inspect around the top of the uniball inside shkshplate inner ring for loose pieces of wire, remove and discard any loose pieces.

3. Re-attach lower end of boot to shkshplate shield in accordance with existing instructions, secure with lockwire.

4. The aircraft may be operated with any number of wire loops removed.

5. The affected maintenance manuals will be revised to specify inspecting the wire loops in the boot assembly during each periodic inspection.