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AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

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Inspection and/or modifications described below are mandatory. No person may operate a product to which this Airworthiness Directive applies except in accordance with the requirements of this Airworthiness Directive.

Translation of 'Consigne de Navigabilité' ref. : 87-089-033(B) In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

AEROSPATIALE AS 355 Helicopters - All versions -

Sliding doors

The present Airworthiness Directive applies to AEROSPATIALE AS 355 helicopters all versions, equipped with L H and/or R H sliding door(s).

In order to improve fatigue strength of ball joint pin, the following action is mandatory :

 not later than September 30, 1987, replace each ball joint pin P/N 350 A 25-1348-20 by a new reinforced bill joint pin P/N 350 A 25-1348-21 corresponding to modification AMS 350 A 07-1845 (the new pin can be identified on the aircraft by a hole at the end of the threaded section).

<u>Important note</u>: Do not operate the sliding door in flight, except in case of emergency, until modification AMS 350 A 07-1845 is embodied.

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