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	No person may operate an aircraft to which an Airworthiness Directive applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that Airworthiness Directive, unless otherwise agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry.			
Corresponding foreign Airworthiness Directive(s): Not applicable		Airworthiness Directive(s) replaced: None		
Person in charge of airworthiness: EUROCOPTER		Type(s): AS 365 N helicopters		
Type certificate(s) No. 86 TCDS No 159				
ATA chapter: 25	Subject: Equipment/Furnishings - Cargo hold upholstery			

1. EFFECTIVITY:

AS 365 N3 helicopters fitted with quilted upholstery in the cargo hold (MOD 0725C16).

2. REASON:

This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is issued following a non-conformity found on the quilted cargo hold upholstery which masked two fire detectors in the cargo hold of some helicopters on the production line.

3. MANDATORY ACTIONS AND COMPLIANCE TIME:

The following measures are rendered mandatory as from the effective date of this AD:


- No later than within 3 months, check the fire detectors in the cargo hold, and if necessary, modify the upholstery in compliance with the instructions specified in § 2.B. of the referenced EUROCOPTER AS 365 Alert Service Bulletin No. 25.00.62.

4. REFERENCE PUBLICATION:

EUROCOPTER AS 365 Alert Service Bulletin No. 25.00.62
(Any subsequent approved revision to this ASB is acceptable).

5. EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon receipt, as from December 08, 2004.

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6. REMARK:

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7. APPROVAL:

This AD is approved under EASA reference No 2004-11505 dated November 29, 2004.