

IN SERVICE EVENT NOTIFICATIONReference: **ISEN-23-005**Date: **August 13th, 2023**

TO: All AW139 Owners/Operators**SUBJECT: AW139 - In-Service Event in Spain**


Dear Customer,

Leonardo Helicopters (LH) is writing to inform you about an In-Service Event occurred on August 9th, 2023 on an AW139 in Spain.

During a training mission, after 50 flight minutes, the pilot noticed that the nose cowling (radome) moved from the closed position; when the helicopter was reaching the coastline, the radome moved to the full open position and a large part was torn off, falling into the sea. No damages to the helicopter nor to third parties were reported and the landing was successfully completed without issues.

While the investigation is still on-going, as result of the evidences currently available, Leonardo Helicopters does not envisage the need to take any airworthiness action on the in-service fleet; at the same time, LH deems beneficial to remind the importance to assure the access doors are latched and secured, as per pre-flight procedures in RFM N. 139G0290X002.

Yours Sincerely,



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