

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 8301–8317; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.4.

■ 4. The heading for part 82 is revised to read as above.

#### Subpart C—[Removed]

■ 5. In part 82, subpart C (§§ 82.30 through 82.38) is removed.

#### PART 94—RINDERPEST, FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE, FOWL PEST (FOWL PLAGUE), EXOTIC NEWCASTLE DISEASE, AFRICAN SWINE FEVER, CLASSICAL SWINE FEVER, AND BOVINE SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHY: PROHIBITED AND RESTRICTED IMPORTATIONS

■ 6. The authority citation for part 94 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 450, 7701–7772, and 8301–8317; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 42 U.S.C. 4331 and 4332; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.4.

#### § 94.0 [Amended]

■ 7. Section 94.0 is amended by removing the definitions of *Salmonella enteritidis*, *Salmonella enteritidis*, *phage-type 4*, and *Salmonellosis*.

■ 8. Section 94.6 is amended as follows:

■ a. By revising the section heading to read as set forth below.

■ b. By removing paragraph (b) and redesignating paragraphs (c), (d), and (e) as paragraphs (b), (c), and (d), respectively.

■ c. In newly redesignated paragraph (b)(2), by removing the comma after the word “Administrator” and, at the end of the paragraph, by removing the word “him” and adding the words “the Administrator” in its place.

■ d. In newly redesignated paragraph (b)(6), in the first sentence, by removing the words “paragraph (c)” and adding the words “paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)(5)” in their place and by removing the words “, Veterinary Services”, and, in the third sentence, by removing the words “paragraph (e)” and adding the words “paragraph (d)” in their place.

■ e. In newly redesignated paragraph (c), by revising the paragraph heading, the introductory text, and footnote 6 to read as set forth below.

■ f. In newly redesignated paragraph (c)(1)(ix)(C)(1), footnote 7, by removing the words “Operational Support,” and adding the words “National Animal Health Policy Programs,” in their place.

■ g. In newly redesignated paragraph (c)(1)(ix)(C)(2), in the last sentence, by removing the word “VVND” and adding the word “END” in its place.

■ h. By removing newly redesignated paragraph (c)(1)(x).

■ i. In newly redesignated paragraph (c)(2), in the last sentence, by removing

the words “or *S. enteritidis*, phage-type 4,”.

■ j. In newly redesignated paragraph (c)(3), by removing the words “or *S. enteritidis*, phage-type 4,” both times they occur, and by removing the words “paragraph (e)” and adding the words “paragraph (d)” in their place.

■ k. In newly redesignated paragraph (c)(4), by removing the words “or *S. enteritidis*, phage-type 4,” both times they occur, and by removing the words “paragraph (e)” and adding the words “paragraph (d)” in their place.

#### § 94.6 Carcasses, parts or products of carcasses, and eggs (other than hatching eggs) of poultry, game birds, or other birds; importations from regions where exotic Newcastle disease is considered to exist.

\* \* \* \* \*

(c) *Eggs (other than hatching eggs) from regions where END is considered to exist.* Eggs (other than hatching eggs<sup>6</sup>) from poultry, game birds, or other birds may be imported only in accordance with this section if they: Are laid by poultry, game birds, or other birds that are raised in any region where END is considered to exist (*see* paragraph (a) of this section); are imported from any region where END is considered to exist; or are moved into or through any region where END is considered to exist at any time before importation or during shipment to the United States.

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Done in Washington, DC, this 16th day of June, 2003.

**Bobby R. Acord,**

*Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 2002–NE–43–AD; Amendment 39–13199; AD 2003–12–14]

RIN 2120–AA64

#### Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Arriel 1 Turboshift Engines

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment adopts a new airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to Turbomeca S.A. Arriel 1

<sup>6</sup>The requirements for importing hatching eggs are contained in part 93 of this chapter.

series turboshaft engines. This amendment requires initial and repetitive visual inspections for ingestive erosion, and cleaning if necessary, of M02 and M03 modules. This amendment is prompted by reports from the manufacturer of an unbalance due to accumulation of dust in the M03 module. The actions specified by this AD are intended to prevent an unbalance of the gas generator rotating assembly which may lead to deterioration of the gas generator rear bearing and uncommanded engine shutdown.

**DATES:** Effective July 25, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Information regarding this action may be examined, by appointment, at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Antonio Cancelliere, Aerospace Engineer, Engine Certification Office, FAA, Engine and Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803–5299; telephone (781) 238–7751; fax (781) 238–7199.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to include an AD that is applicable to Turbomeca S.A. Arriel 1 series turboshaft engines was published in the **Federal Register** on February 12, 2003 (68 FR 7084). That action proposed to require initial and repetitive visual inspections for ingestive erosion, and cleaning if necessary, of M02 and M03 modules.

#### Comments

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment. Due consideration has been given to the comments received.

Three comments were made by the manufacturer.

#### Request To Change the Prompted By Statement

In the first comment, the manufacturer requests that the FAA change the “prompted by” statement in the Summary to more accurately describe the module of the engine that is affected by the unbalance due to the accumulation of ingested dust. The manufacturer requests that the “prompted by” statement be changed in the AD to remove the words “\* \* \* ingestive erosion of M02 and M03 modules” and that they be replaced with “\* \* \* an unbalance due to the

accumulation of dust in the M03 module.”

The FAA agrees and the Summary is changed in this AD.

### Request To Remove Model 1E From the Applicability

In the second comment, the manufacturer requests that we remove the model 1E from the Applicability statement because this model is no longer in service nor included on the Direction Generale de L'Aviation Civile (DGAC) Type Certificate. The model 1E was also erroneously included in the manufacturer's service bulletin.

The FAA does not agree. The model 1E is still included in the FAA Type Certificate Data Sheet for Arriel 1 engines; therefore, for consistency with the existing documentation, the FAA maintains the model 1E in the Applicability statement.

### Request To Change Regulatory Paragraph (a)(2)

In the third comment, the manufacturer requests that we change paragraph (a)(2) “Modification TU 175 Not Incorporated”. The manufacturer asks that the FAA change “area D as defined in the engine maintenance manual \* \* \*” to “area III as defined in the engine maintenance manual, even if it has not reached 1,000 operating hours, \* \* \*”.

The FAA agrees and paragraph (a)(2) of this AD is changed.

After careful review of the available data, including the comments noted above, the FAA has determined that air safety and the public interest require the adoption of the rule with the changes described previously. The FAA has determined that these changes will neither increase the economic burden on any operator nor increase the scope of the AD.

### Regulatory Analysis

This final rule does not have federalism implications, as defined in Executive Order 13132, because it would not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Accordingly, the FAA has not consulted with state authorities prior to publication of this final rule.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this action (1) is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a “significant rule” under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3)

will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A final evaluation has been prepared for this action and it is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption **ADDRESSES**.

### List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

### Adoption of the Amendment

■ Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration amends part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

### PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

■ 1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

#### § 39.13 [Amended]

■ 2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding a new airworthiness directive to read as follows:

**2003-12-14 Turbomeca S.A.: Amendment 39-13199.** Docket No. 2002-NE-43-AD.

*Applicability:* This airworthiness directive (AD) is applicable to Turbomeca S.A. Arriel 1 A, 1 A1, 1 A2, 1 B, 1 C, 1 C1, 1 C2, 1 D, 1 D1, 1 E, 1 E2, 1 K, 1 K1, 1 S, and 1 S1 turboshaft engines. These engines are installed on, but not limited to, Eurocopter AS 350, AS 350B1, AS 350B2, AS 365C, AS 365C2, AS 365N, AS 365N1, AS 365N2, BK 117C1, BK 117C2, Augusta A109 K2, and Sikorsky S76 C helicopters.

**Note 1:** This AD applies to each engine identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For engines that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (d) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

*Compliance:* Compliance with this AD is required as indicated, unless already done.

To prevent an unbalance of the gas generator rotating assembly which may lead to deterioration of the gas generator rear bearing and also to uncommanded engine shutdown, do the following:

### Initial Inspections and Cleaning

(a) For engines that have been operated in a dusty or erosive atmospheric environment containing substances such as laterite, sand, volcanic ash, and chemical particles, and engines for which the operating environment cannot be determined, do the following:

(1) Perform an initial visual inspection for erosion of the axial compressor, within 50 operating hours after the effective date of this AD. Information on inspecting can be found in Turbomeca S.A. Mandatory Service Bulletin (MSB) No. 292 72 0230, dated October 16, 1998.

### Modification TU 175 Not Incorporated

(2) For engines that do not have Modification TU 175 incorporated, if axial compressor erosion is above 1.5 millimeters in area III as defined in the engine maintenance manual, even if it has not reached 1,000 operating hours, and if the module M03 has operated more than 200 hours with this M02 module, clean the M03 module within the next 50 operating hours. Information on cleaning can be found in Turbomeca S.A. MSB No. 292 72 0230, dated October 16, 1998.

### Modification TU 175 Incorporated

(3) For engines that have Modification TU 175 incorporated, if axial compressor erosion inspection requires the M02 module to be removed, and if the M03 module has operated more than 400 hours with this M02 module, clean the M03 module within the next 50 operating hours. Information on cleaning can be found in Turbomeca S.A. MSB No. 292 72 0230, dated October 16, 1998.

### Reconditioning and Checks

(b) Perform reconditioning and checks of the engines. Information on reconditioning and checks can be found in Turbomeca S.A. MSB No. 292 72 0230, dated October 16, 1998.

### Repetitive Inspections

(c) Repeat axial compressor erosion inspections within every 200 operating hours-since-last-inspection (HSLI) for engines that do not have Modification TU 175 incorporated, and within every 400 operating HSLI, for engines that have Modification TU 175 incorporated, as specified in paragraph (a) of this AD.

### Alternative Methods of Compliance

(d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Engine Certification Office (ECO). Operators must submit their request through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, ECO.

**Note 2:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the ECO.

**Note 3:** A list of authorized repair centers qualified to carry out gas generator rotating assembly maintenance and cleaning may be obtained from Turbomeca S.A. or the ECO.

### Special Flight Permits

(e) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with §§ 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the helicopter to a location where the requirements of this AD can be done.

**Note 4:** The subject of this AD is addressed in Direction Generale de L'Aviation Civile airworthiness directive 1990-064(A), Revision 1, dated March 21, 2000.

### Effective Date

(f) This amendment becomes effective on July 25, 2003.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on June 13, 2003.

**Peter A. White,**

*Acting Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Parts 61, 63, and 65

[Docket No. FAA-2003-15431; Special Federal Aviation Regulation No. 100]

RIN 2120-AH98

### Relief for U.S. Military and Civilian Personnel Who Are Assigned Outside the United States in Support of U.S. Armed Forces Operations

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is replacing an existing Special Federal Aviation Regulation (SFAR) with a new SFAR that allows Flight Standards District Offices (FSDO) to accept expired flight instructor certificates and inspection authorizations for renewals from U.S. military and civilian personnel who are assigned outside the United States in support of U.S. Armed Forces operations. This SFAR also allows FSDOs to accept expired airman written test reports for certain practical tests from U.S. military and civilian personnel who are assigned outside the United States in support of U.S. Armed Forces operations. This action is necessary to avoid penalizing U.S. military and civilian personnel who are unable to meet the regulatory time limits of their flight instructor certificate, inspection authorization, or airman written test report because they are serving outside the United States in support of U.S. Armed Forces operations. The effect of this action is to

give U.S. military and civilian personnel who are assigned outside the United States in support of U.S. Armed Forces operations extra time to meet the certain eligibility requirements under the current rules.

**DATES:** This SFAR is effective June 20, 2003. We must receive comments on or before July 21, 2003. This SFAR expires June 20, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail your comments to the Public Docket Office, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-0001. Or, send your comments through the Internet to <http://dms.dot.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Lynch, Certification Branch, AFS-840, General Aviation and Commercial Division, Flight Standards Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-3844.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Comments Are Welcome

Under 14 CFR part 11, the FAA may issue a final rule with request for comments, which is a rule issued in final (with an effective date) that invites public comment on the rule. Although this action is a final rule and was not preceded by a notice of proposed rulemaking, we invite your comments on this SFAR. The most useful comments are those that are specific and related to issues raised by the SFAR, and that explain the reason for any recommended change. We specifically invite comments on the economic, environmental, energy, federalism, international trade, energy, and overall regulatory aspects of the SFAR that might suggest a need to modify it. Factual information that supports your ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of this action and determining whether additional rulemaking action is needed.

To ensure consideration, you must identify the Rules Docket number in your comments, and you must send comments to one of the addresses specified under the **ADDRESSES** section of this preamble. We will consider all communications received on or before the closing date for comments, and we may amend or withdraw this SFAR in light of the comments received. All comments received will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. We will file in the Rules Docket a report that summarizes each public contact related to the substance of this rule.

You may review the public docket containing comments on this SFAR in person in the Dockets Office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Dockets Office is on the plaza level of the Nassif Building at the Department of Transportation at the address specified in the **ADDRESSES** section. Also, you may review the public docket on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

If you want us to acknowledge receipt of your comments on this SFAR, you must include with your comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which you identify the Rules Docket number of this rulemaking. We will date-stamp the postcard and return it to you.

### Availability of Rulemaking Documents

You can get an electronic copy of this SFAR using the Internet through FAA's Web page at <http://www.faa.gov/avr/arm/nprm/nprm.htm> or through the Government Printing Office's Web page at [http://www.access.gpo.gov/su\\_docs/aces/aces140.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html).

You can get a paper copy by sending a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Office of Rulemaking, ARM-1, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, or by calling (202) 267-9680. Make sure to identify the docket number of this rulemaking.

### Small Entity Inquiries

The Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (SBREFA) requires the FAA to report inquiries from small entities concerning information on, and advice about, compliance with statutes and regulations within the FAA's jurisdiction, including interpretation and application of the law to specific sets of facts supplied by a small entity. If your organization is a small entity and you have a question, contact your local FAA official. If you do not know how to contact your local FAA official, you may contact the FAA Office of Rulemaking, ARM-27, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, telephone (888) 551-1594. Internet users can find additional information on SBREFA in the FAA's Web page at <http://www.faa.gov/avr/arm/sbrefa.html>. You may send inquiries to the following Internet address: [9-AWA-SBREFA@faa.gov](mailto:9-AWA-SBREFA@faa.gov).

### Background

As a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, many U.S. military and civilian personnel were assigned outside the United States in support of