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TO—All owners and operators of Hughes Helicopters

SUBJECT:

TAIL BOOM SPOILER (P/N 269A2320-5)

MODELS AFFECTED:

269A Helicopter Serial Nos. 0011 through 0314

269A (TH-55A) Helicopter Serial Nos. 0315 through 0713

269A-1 Helicopter Serial Nos. 0001 through 0041

269A-2 Helicopter Serial No. 0001 only

269B Helicopter Serial Nos. 0001 through 0358

Reference

269A/A-1/TH-55A Handbook of Maintenance Instruction, Revised 1 June 1968 269B Handbook of Maintenance Instruction, Revised 1 July 1968

Extensive flight testing at our HTC-AD facility has determined that removal of the tail boom spoiler (P/N 269A2320-5) will not affect the aerodynamic characteristics or operating stability and safety of the 269 helicopter. As a result, factory installation of the tail boom spoiler has been discontinued.

It is suggested, therefore, that if the spoiler must be removed for repair or other reasons, you need not reinstall it on the tail boom. Be sure to clean the original faying surface of the tail boom. Apply primer and a coat of color matched paint. Install rivets with zinc chromate to plug the holes in the tail boom.

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