

## COMMENT RESPONSE DOCUMENT

EASA AD No.: 2024-0064

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### Commenter 1: CHC Helicopter – Mr Jens Schwarz – 15 March 2024

#### Comment # 1

It appears there is an error in this AD in regards to fitting PN M536A3401105.

Fitting P/N M536A3401105 is now listed as an affected part, unlike fitting M536A3401102 which is prohibited from installation iaw EASA AD 2018-0113 the fitting M536A3401105 remained in service.

The modification ASB: ASB EC175-55A009 (mod 99A95341) is instructing the modification of the helicopter and installation of a reinforced horizontal stabilizer with support rods. This ASB is also instructing the replacement of stabilizer attachment bolts however **it does not** instruct the replacement of the horizontal stabilizer attachment fitting consequently fitting PN M536A3401105 is being re-installed.

Para (8): For Group 1, Group 2 and Group 3 helicopters: From the effective date of this AD, do not install an affected part on any helicopter Above definition now renders the majority of our fleet (as well as the worldwide fleet) as Group 2 helicopters where an affected part (fitting M536A3401105) has been re-installed during or after compliance with ASB EC175-55A009. This fitting is still being delivered by Airbus.

Following statement would then also be incorrect: *“However, according to data available to EASA and AH, no Group 2 helicopters are known to be in service on the issue date of this AD.”*

Furthermore this AD does not contain any corrective actions to replace the fitting PN M536A3401105.

#### EASA response:

**EASA agrees with your comment.**

**HS Fitting P/N M536A3401105 had erroneously been incorporated in the definition of ‘Affected part(s)’ in AD 2024-0064. The AD has been revised accordingly.**

**Commenter 2: Omni Taxi aereo Brazil – Mr Eric Beato – 15 March 2024****Comment # 2**

Regarding EASA AD 2024-0064 (Effective Date: 21 March 2024), Airbus has already confirmed to us that there is a mistake. We believe that HS fittings P/N M536A3401105 is not applicable, as we have 5 aircraft with this P/N installed. Could you review AD 2024-0064 before its Effective Date (21 March 2024) so that we don't have problems with our aircraft?

**EASA response:**

***EASA agrees with your comment.***

***Please, refer to the EASA response under Comment # 1 of this CRD.***

