



EASA Safety Information Bulletin

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- Subject:** Installation of Correct Access Panel Bolts
- Ref. Publication:** B-N Group Ltd. Service Bulletin (SB) 291 dated 1 May 2003.
- Applicability:** BN2, BN2A, BN2B and BN2T series “Islander” aeroplanes, all models, all serial numbers (s/n); and BN2A-MkIII series “Trislander” aeroplanes, all models, all s/n.
- Description:** In 2003, an operator reported an aileron travel restriction. Investigations made by the type design approval holder showed that the jamming of the aileron operating lever was caused by the installation of over length bolts when closing the panels after maintenance. B-N SB 291 highlighted to the operators not to install unapproved bolts on inspection panels.
- In 2015, another operator has reported blocked elevators, including damaged control rods, due to the same reason.
- At this time, the safety concern described in this SIB is not considered to be an unsafe condition that would warrant Airworthiness Directive (AD) action under EU [748/2012](#), Part 21.A.3B.
- Recommendation(s):** To ensure safe freedom of all control rods, all operators and maintenance organisations are recommended to use only approved bolts when reinstalling any access panel. The appropriate bolts can be identified by using the applicable B-N Parts Catalogue and Maintenance Instructions.
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