BUREAU VERITAS

AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

RELEASED BY THE

"DIRECTION GENERALE DE L'AVIATION CIVILE"

The inspections or modifications described below are mandatory. Failure to comply with Airworthiness Directives entails suspension of the Certificate of Airworthiness (see decree regarding airworthiness requirements for civil aircraft).

Translation of "Consigne de Navigabilité Ref.: 78-138-22(B) In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original text.

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SA 341 G - SA 342 J VERSIONS

The present directive is applicable to the above aircraft versions fitted with the emergency flotation gear of AERAZUR manufacture and deals with type 204 PYROMECA cartridges.

Following the premature ageing of the powder contained in type 204 PYROMECA cartridges fitted to AZEAZUR emergency flotation gear installed on the above-mentioned aircraft, the service life of these items has been mandatorily limited to:

- 24 months (instead of 36 months) from the date of manufacture (engraved on one the 6 flats on cartridge).
- 6 months (instead of 18 months) following the opening of the original package, which corresponds to the date of release to service. This period of 6 months should be included within the 24-month period mentioned above.
- NOTE: Type 204 PYROMECA cartriges may be replaced with type 708 PYROMECA cartriges with a service life of 48 months since manufactured and 12 months following the opening of the original package.

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