

AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE

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Inspection and/or modifications described below are mandatory. No person may operate a product to which this Airworthiness Directive applies except in accordance with the requirements of this Airworthiness Directive.

Translation of 'Consigne de Navigabilité' ref. : 1999-124-129(B)
In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE

A319/A320/A321 Aircraft

NLG Wheel rotation (ATA 32)

APPLICABILITY :

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A319, A320 and A321 aircraft, all certified models, all serial numbers without AIRBUS INDUSTRIE modification 23740 in production from April 03, 1999 or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-32-1197 in service.

REASON :

Recent cases of uncommanded Nose Landing Gear (NLG) wheel rotation, up to 90°, have occurred on AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A320 aircraft in service due to defective seals in the NLG wheel steering selector valve of the Hydraulic Control Unit (part number C24736000 and C24736001) combined with a failure of the NLG wheel steering system.

ACTION :

1. Before April 03, 2000, perform the corrective actions in accordance with the instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-32-1197.
2. At this Airworthiness directive effective date no one shall install on any aircraft Hydraulic Control Unit part number C24736000 and C24736001. These spare units have to be reworked in accordance with instructions of AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-32-1197.

Application of MESSIER BUGATTI Service Bulletin C24736-32-3126 cancels the requirement of this Airworthiness Directive.

REF. : AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-32-1197
(or any further approved revision)
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EFFECTIVE DATE : APRIL 03, 1999

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