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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. : 2002-074(B) R1 In case of any difficulty, reference should be made to the French original issue.

<u>AIRBUS</u>

A321 aircraft

Main landing gear crashworthiness pin (ATA 32)

APPLICABILITY:

AIRBUS A321 aircraft, all certified models, all serial numbers which have received AIRBUS modification 24982 without AIRBUS modification 30046 in production (or AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin (SB) A320-32-1229 in service).

REASONS:

During development qualification program of the 93T MTOW (mod. 30046), complementary tests performed revealed that the MLG side-stay crashworthiness pins installed with mod. 24982 being not compatible for aircraft up to 89T MTOW.

In the case of an emergency landing, the crashworthiness pins installed on 89T MTOW A321 will not ensure a correct MLG collapse and a risk of fuel tank puncture that could cause damage to the aircraft and/or passengers could result.

Revision 1 of this Airworthiness Directive (AD) aims at correcting the reference of a modification embodied in production (mod. 30046) and which bounds the applicability of the AD.

COMPLIANCE:

The following measures are rendered mandatory on the effective date of this Airworthiness Directive.

Before June 30, 2004, unless already accomplished, replace the crashworthiness pins reference (P/N) 201525620 by P/N 201525621 in accordance with the instructions given in SB A320-32-1229.

<u>REF</u>.: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE Service Bulletin A320-32-1229 (Any further approved revision of this SB is acceptable).

This Revision 1 replaces original AD 2002-074(B) dated January 23, 2002.

EFFECTIVE DATES :

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March 20, 2002

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