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Subject: Suspected Unapproved Parts Notification – 10 Person

Life Raft part number (P/N) 64910-10414, serial numbers (S/N) 0251 and 0254, and P/N 64910-10214, S/N 0249.

Ref. Publication: None

Applicability: Parts or appliances released to service via an FAA Form

8130-3 under the name of Zodiac Services Europe.

Description: Following an operator request, Zodiac Services Europe was

asked to verify whether maintenance data and the release certificate of the 10 Person Life Rafts P/N 64910-10414, S/N 0251 and 0254, as well as P/N 64910-10214, S/N 0249 were correct. The check identified that the FAA Forms 8130-3 accompanying the equipment were fake, since Zodiac Services Europe, being a European Part 145 approved maintenance organization, releases parts with an EASA Form 1 Dual Release. In addition, the certifying staff signature in block 20 of the Forms 8130-3 was false and the individual stamp of the certifying staff was missing. Furthermore, none of the block 19 boxes was ticked and data in block 3 and 5 were related to a maintenance operation for another customer

on a different P/N.

The life raft P/N and S/N mentioned above have therefore to be considered unapproved and not eligible for installation on

an aircraft.

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 <u>748/2012</u>, Part

21.A.3B.

Recommendation(s): It is recommended to bring to the attention of Zodiac Services

Europe any FAA Form 8130-3 release certificate released under the name of Zodiac Services Europe and to inform the

competent authority accordingly.

Contact(s): For further information contact the Safety Information Section,

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