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	No person may operate an aircraft to which an Airworthiness Directive applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that Airworthiness Directive, unless otherwise agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry.				
Corresponding foreign Airworthiness Directive(s): Not applicable		Airworthiness Directive(s) replaced: None			
Person in charge of airworthiness: EADS SOCATA		Type(s): TBM 700 aircraft			
Type certificate(s) No. EASA.A.010 TCDS No EASA.A.010					
ATA chapter: 55	Subject: Stabilizers - Inspection of elevator trim tabs lateral play				

1. EFFECTIVITY:

This Airworthiness Directive (AD) is applicable to EADS SOCATA TBM 700 aircraft, from serial number 271 to 328 inclusive.

2. REASON:

An excessive lateral play caused by a non conforming washer might lead to the deterioration of the elevator trim tab bearing fatigue resistance.

3. MANDATORY ACTIONS AND COMPLIANCE TIMES:

The following measures are rendered mandatory from the effective date of this AD, unless previously accomplished:


On the next scheduled 100-hour inspection and at the latest on the next annual inspection, verify there is no lateral play for both elevator trim tabs and correct, as necessary, by installing a setting washer as instructed in the Service Bulletin EADS SOCATA TBM 700 No 70-135 dated December 2005.

4. REFERENCE PUBLICATION:

Service Bulletin EADS SOCATA TBM 700 No 70-135 dated December 2005
(Any subsequent approved revision of this document is acceptable).

5. EFFECTIVE DATE:

February 11, 2006.

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6. REMARKS:

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7. APPROVAL:

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