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This AD is issued in accordance with EC 1702/2003, Part 21A.3B. In accordance with EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.301, the continuing airworthiness of an aircraft shall be ensured by accomplishing any applicable ADs. Consequently, no person may operate an aircraft to which an Airworthiness Directive applies, except in accordance with the requirements of that Airworthiness Directive unless otherwise specified by the Agency [EC 2042/2003 Annex I, Part M.A.303] or agreed with the Authority of the State of Registry [EC 216/2008, Article 14(4) exemption].

Type Approval	Holder's Name :	Type/Model designation(s):		
Turboméca		Arriel 1 series turboshaft engines		
TCDS Number :	EASA.E.073			
Foreign AD :	Not applicable			
Supersedure:	This AD supersedes EASA AD 2007-0018R1, dated 14 August 2007.			
ATA 72	Engine – Gas Generato Replacement	or 2 nd Stage Turbine – Inspection /		
Manufacturer(s):	Turboméca			
Applicability:	All ARRIEL 1B post-mod TU 148, ARRIEL 1D, ARRIEL 1D1 and ARRIEL 1S1 turboshaft engines, not modified with Turboméca modification TU347 [Introduce by Service Bulletin (SB) 292 72 0347 – Installation of turbine Part Number (P/N) 292 25 039 0]			
	These engines are known to be installed on, but not limited to, the following helicopters:			
	Eurocopter AS 350 B/BA/BB/B1/B2 and Sikorsky S-76A+/A++/C.			
Reason:	Several cases of release of gas generator 2nd stage turbine blade occurred in service, with full containment of debris. These events resulted in an uncommanded In-Flight Shut Down (IFSD) of the engine. While awaiting terminating actions, it was decided to implement mandatory check and replacement of the turbine in order to reduce the probability of uncommanded engine IFSD.			
	EASA AD 2007-0018 retained the requirements of previous DGAC AD F-2004-047 and included changes with regard to ARRIEL 1B engines only. Reduction of the turbine blade life limit from 6 000 hours to 3 000 hours was taken as a precautionary measure following additional events.			
	EASA AD 2007-0018R1 reduced the original AD applicability following intr of a new Turbine P/N 0 292 25 039 0 available for all Arriel 1 engine mode through Turboméca Modification TU347 or SB 292 72 0347. This new Turb			

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incorporates improvements that are the terminating action for this AD. Therefore inspections and replacement requirements were deleted for engines equipped with the new Turbine P/N 0 292 25 039 0. Since the issuance of EASA AD 2007-0018R1 new cases of release of gas generator 2nd stage turbine blade pre-TU347 have occurred at lower blade service lives compared to previous events. This AD supersedes AD 2007-0018R1 by lowering some inspection thresholds and repetitive intervals, lowering the life limits of the 2nd stage turbine blades, and lowering replacement thresholds of the 2nd stage turbine disks and blades pre-TU347, for single-engine applications. Compared to PAD 09-96, the 2nd stage turbine blade life limit and replacement allowances for turbines that are currently in service have been optimised based on parts availability while keeping the risk level within acceptable limits. Effective Date: 12 November 2009 Required Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously: Action(s) and Compliance 1. Inspections: Time(s): Once the 2nd stage turbine has accumulated 1 200 Engine Flight Hours (EFH) or 3 500 cycles since new or since inspection in a repair centre: - Do checks in accordance with the following tables and associated Turboméca Mandatory Service Bulletins (MSBs): Table 1.a: 2nd Stage Turbine Inspection Requirements and Table 1.b: Acceptability of checks performed in accordance with previous and latest MSBs Attention should be paid to engine configurations, conditions, actions, compliance time and repetitive intervals. 2. Life Limits of the 2nd Stage Turbine Blades: The life limits of the 2nd stage turbine blades must be set to the values provided in: Table 2: Life Limits of the 2nd Stage Turbine Blades 3. Replacement of the 2nd Stage Turbine Disk and Blades: The replacement requirements for the 2nd Stage Turbine Disk and Blades are provided in: Table 3.1: 2nd Stage Turbine Replacement Requirements – Arriel 1B Table 3.2: 2nd Stage Turbine Replacement Requirements – Arriel 1D, 1D1 Notes: Inspection intervals for Arriel 1S1 engines are unchanged compared to the requirements of AD 2007-0018R1. Inspection requirements, 2nd stage turbine Blade life limits and turbine replacement requirements do not apply to post TU-347 turbine, which is the terminating action of this AD. The referenced tables can be found in the Appendix of this AD (page 4 - 6). Turboméca Mandatory Service Bulletins (MSBs) Ref. Publications: A292 72 0807 Version E, dated 29 October 2009

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	A292 72 0810 Version C, dated 24 July 2009		
	The use of later approved revisions of these documents is acceptable for compliance with the requirements of this AD.		
Remarks :	If requested and appropriately substantiated, EASA can approve Alternative Methods of Compliance for this AD.		
	This AD was posted on 31 July 2009 as PAD 09-096 for consultation until August 2009. No comments were received during the consultation period.		
	 Enquiries regarding this AD should be referred to the Airworthiness Directives, Safety Management & Research Section, Certification Directorate, EASA. E-mail ADs@easa.europa.eu. 		
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Table 1.a: 2nd Stage Turbine Inspection Requirements

Once the 2nd stage turbine has accumulated 1 200 EFH or 3 500 cycles since new or since inspection in a repair centre:

Configuration	Condition	Action	Compliance Time	Repetitive Interval (Not to Exceed)
Arriel 1B, Arriel 1D, Arriel 1D1	If no check has been previously done or if the blades have been in operation for more than 100 EFH since a check according to relevant MSB (1)	Do a check of the relative position of the 2 nd stage turbine blades, in accordance with MSB A292 72 0807 Version E, Par. 2B(1)(a)&(b) or 2B(2)(a)	Within 50 EFH	Every 150 EFH, until installation of an inspected pre-TU347 turbine fitted with new blades, or a post-TU347 turbine
	If the blades have been in operation for less than 100 EFH since a check done according to relevant MSB (1)		Within 150 EFH since the last check	
Arriel 1S1	If no check has been previously done or if the blades have been in operation for more than 100 EFH since a check according to relevant MSB (2)	Do a check of the relative position of the 2 nd stage turbine blades, in accordance with MSB A292 72 0810 Version C, Par. 2B(1)(a)&(b) or 2B(2)(a),(b)&(c)	Within 50 EFH	Every 150 EFH, until installation of an inspected pre-TU347 turbine fitted with new blades, or a post-TU347 turbine
	If the blades have been in operation for less than 100 EFH since a check done according to relevant MSB (2)		Within 150 EFH since the last check	

Notes:

(1)&(2): Refer to Table 1.b EFH = Engine Flight Hours

Table 1.b: Acceptability of checks performed in accordance with previous and latest MSBs				
Note	Variant	Previous MSBs	Latest MSBs	
(1)	Arriel 1B	MSB A292 72 0263 (Initial Issue to Update 5), or MSB A292 72 0807 (Version A to Version D)		
(1)	Arriel 1D, Arriel 1D1	MSB A292 72 0263 (Initial Issue to Update 5), or MSB A292 72 0808 (Initial Issue to Update 1), or MSB A292 72 0809 (Version A to Version D)	MSB A292 72 0807 Version E	
(2)	Arriel 1S1	MSB A292 72 0263 (Initial Issue to Update 5), or MSB A292 72 0810 (Version A to Version B)	MSB A292 72 0810 Version C	

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Table 2: Life Limits of the 2nd Stage Turbine Blades			
Configuration	2 nd Stage Turbine Blade Life Limit		
Arriel 1B,			
Arriel 1D,	1200 hours (except allowances as defined in Table 3)		
Arriel 1D1			

Table 3.1: 2nd Stage Turbine Replacement Requirements – Arriel 1B					
Configuration	Condition	Action	Compliance Time	Repetitive Interval (Not to Exceed)	
Arriel 1B	Engines with 2 nd stage turbine blades having accumulated more than 3 000 EFH since new, <i>or</i> 2 nd stage turbine disk having accumulated more than 2 200 EFH since new or inspection <i>whichever comes first</i>	Replace the 2 nd stage turbine disk and blades with an inspected pre-TU347 turbine fitted with new blades or a post-TU347 turbine in accordance with MSB A292 72 0807 Version E, Par. 2B(1)(c)or(d) or 2B(2)(b)or(c)	Before next flight Note: Already required by AD 2007-0018R1	For pre-TU347 turbine: Repeat replacement before 2 nd stage turbine blades have accumulated 1 200 EFH since new For post-TU347 turbine: Not applicable	
	Engines with 2 nd stage turbine blades having accumulated more than 1 800 EFH and less than 3 000 EFH since new		Within the next 400 EFH, or Before 2 nd stage turbine blades have accumulated 3 000 EFH since new, or Before 2 nd stage turbine disk has accumulated 2 200 EFH since new or inspection, or No later than 30 June 2011 whichever comes first		
	Engines with 2 nd stage turbine blades having accumulated more than 900 EFH and less than 1800 EFH		Within the next 800 EFH, <u>or</u> Before 2 nd stage turbine disk has accumulated 2 200 EFH since new or inspection, <u>or</u> No later than 30 June 2011 whichever comes first		
	Engines with 2 nd stage turbine blades having accumulated less than 900 EFH since new		Before 2 nd stage turbine blades have accumulated 1 200 EFH since new		

Note: EFH = Engine Flight Hours

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Table 3.2: 2nd Stage Turbine Replacement Requirements – Arriel 1D, 1D1				
Configuration	Condition	Action	Compliance Time	Repetitive Interval (Not to Exceed)
Arriel 1D, 1D1	Engines with 2 nd stage turbine blades having accumulated more than 1 500 EFH since new, <i>or</i> 2 nd stage turbine disk having accumulated more than 1 500 EFH since new or inspection <i>whichever comes first</i> Engines with 2 nd stage turbine blades having accumulated more than 900 EFH and less than 1 500 EFH since new	Replace the 2 nd stage turbine disk and blades with an inspected pre-TU347 turbine fitted with new blades or a post-TU347 turbine in accordance with MSB A292 72 0807 Version E, Par. 2B(1)(c)or(d) or 2B(2)(b)or(c)	Before next flight Note: Already required by AD 2007-0018R1 Before 2 nd stage turbine blades have accumulated 1 500 EFH since new, or Before 2 nd stage turbine disk has accumulated 1 500 EFH since new or inspection, or No later than 30 June 2011 whichever comes first Before 2 nd stage turbine blades have	For pre-TU347 turbine: Repeat replacement before 2 nd stage turbine blades have accumulated 1 200 EFH since new For post- TU347 turbine: Not applicable
	accumulated less than 900 EFH since new		accumulated 1 200 EFH since new	

Note: EFH = Engine Flight Hours

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