

Continued Airworthiness Notification

Subject: Suspected Unapproved Parts (SUP) Awareness and Reporting

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For the attention of: Maintenance organisations, Aircraft owners, Operators, Independent certifying staff, Manufacturers, and Parts suppliers

Background: The purpose of this Continued Airworthiness Notification (CAN) is to remind the aviation industry of:

- the threat to safety from the use of unapproved parts, and
- the appropriate reporting procedure in the event that suspected unapproved parts are identified

An unapproved part can be any part, product, appliance, or component where:

- the design has not been approved by the State of Design
- the manufacture has not been approved by the State of Manufacture
- it is not considered to be in a condition for safe operation by the State of Registry
- it is not supported by the required written evidence document (Certificate of Release, airworthiness tag etc.)

A part meeting any of the above criteria is not eligible for installation on an aircraft, and could affect the safety of flight operations.

For information, both the FAA and EASA maintain a regularly updated list of unapproved parts and these can be accessed at:

- FAA : [FAA Unapproved Parts Notifications \(UPN\)](#)
- EASA : [EASA SUP](#)

Recommendations: Where a part is identified as, or suspected of being, an unapproved part a report should be made to CAAT, in accordance with the provisions of CAAT Requirement No.22/2562 on Reporting of Civil Aviation Occurrences, by using Thailand's Aviation Safety Occurrence Reporting Portal (www.caat.or.th/occurrence).

Submission of this information is critical to maintaining flight safety.

Reference:

The Requirement of CAAT No.22/2562 on Reporting of Civil Aviation Occurrences, Chapter 2
Notification of CAAT on Repair Station Certificate Requirements B.E. 2563 (2020) TCAR 8 Part 145, item 145.A.60

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