

European Aviation Safety Agency
The Executive Director

DECISION N°. 1/2003 OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY

of 26 September 2003

on the implementation of airworthiness directives for aircraft designed in third countries

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1592/2002 of 15 July 2002 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Aviation Safety Agency, in particular Article 13(c), 15(1)(j) and 29(3)(a) thereof,

Having regard to the Commission Regulation laying down implementing rules for the airworthiness and environmental certification of aircraft and related products, parts and appliances, as well as for the certification of design and production organisations, and in particular 21.A.3B

Whereas the Agency shall issue an airworthiness directive when, an unsafe condition has been determined by the Agency to exist in an aircraft, as a result of a deficiency in the aircraft, or when an engine, propeller, part or appliance installed on this aircraft and that condition is likely to exist or develop in other aircraft.

Whereas it is common practise for imported aircraft to rely on the state of design to first detect whether unsafe conditions require the issuing of an airworthiness directive,

HAS DECIDED:

Article 1

Any airworthiness directive issued by a state of design for an aircraft imported from a third country, shall be directly applicable unless the Agency has issued a different Decision before the date of effectivity of that airworthiness directive.

Article 2

This Decision shall be applicable as of 28 September 2003. It shall be published in the Official Publication of the Agency.

Done at Brussels, 26 September 2003

Patrick GOUDOU
Executive Director