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FROM COMMANDER, AMCOM, REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL //AMSAM-SFA//

SUBJECT - AVIATION MAINTENANCE ACTION MESSAGE (AMAM), INFORMATIONAL, ALL OH-58D SERIES AIRCRAFT, VECTOR OVERHAULED ROLLS ROYCE MODEL 250 ENGINES, H-58-10-AMAM-12

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### 1. SUMMARY -

1.1. Background - Three (3) Rolls Royce Model 250-C30R/3M Engines and one (1) 250-C30R/3 Engine have had Compressor Sections seize during engine start. All four engines were overhauled by Vector Aerospace between Aug 2008 and Apr 2010 and all engines seized with less than 80 hours Time Since Overhaul (TSO). Teardown analysis indicates bonding agent debris had accumulated on the Compressor Knife Seals (located aft of the Compressor Impeller). This debris seized the Compressor Section Rotor and prevented the assembly from rotating during engine start. Engineering analysis to date does not indicate a flight risk for the installed engines previously overhauled by Vector Aerospace. Removal of the Vector Overhauled Engines IS NOT recommended at this time. Failure Analysis is ongoing and it is anticipated a follow-on message is expected with additional guidance and instructions. 1.2. Message Purpose -1.2.1. Review spare engine logbooks to determine last overhaul facility. 1.2.2. Provide prioritization guidance for Vector Aerospace overhauled engine installation.

2. END ITEMS AFFECTED - All OH-58D series aircraft.

### 3. ASSEMBLIES/COMPONENTS/PARTS AFFECTED -

Suspect Assemblies/Components/Parts -Nomenclature PN NSN Engine, Aircraft, Turbo-Shaft 23065550 2840-01-444-3770

# 4. INITIAL AIRCRAFT TAMMS (THE ARMY MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM) ENTRY - ${\rm N}/{\rm A}\,.$

5. COMPLIANCE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS - N/A.

## 6. SPECIAL PROVISIONS TO MESSAGE REQUIREMENTS (AIRCRAFT) - $\rm N/A$

### 7. TECHNICAL PROCEDURES/INSTRUCTIONS -

7.1. Review spare engine logbooks to determine the last overhaul facility/contractor.

7.2. If available, engines overhauled by a Rolls Royce authorized maintenance center OTHER THAN "VECTOR AEROSPACE" should be used first.

7.3. If necessary, unit should only use VECTOR AEROSPACE Overhauled Engines with MORE than 200 HRS TSO.

7.4. If VECTOR AEROSPACE Overhauled Engines with MORE than 200 HRS TSO are NOT available, only use Vector Aerospace Engines overhauled BEFORE Aug 2008 or AFTER Apr 2010.

7.5. Engines overhauled by VECTOR AEROSPACE between Aug 2008 and Apr 2010 with LESS THAN 200 HRS TSO are only to be used if the options in para 7.2., 7.3., and 7.4. are not feasible.

## 8. PROCEDURES/INSTRUCTIONS FOR ASSEMBLIES/COMPONENTS/PARTS IN WORK OR IN STOCK (AT ALL LEVELS INCLUDING WAR RESERVES) - N/A.

9. SPECIAL TOOLS AND FIXTURES REQUIRED - N/A.

### 10. SUPPLY/PARTS (REQUISITION/DISPOSITION) - N/A.

### 11. MAINTENANCE APPLICATION -

11.1. Category of Maintenance - AVUM.
11.2. Estimated Time Required to complete inspection - Total
of 0.5 man-hour using 1 person.

### 12. PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS -

12.1. References 12.1.1. AR 750-6.
12.1.2. DA Pam 738-751.
12.1.3. TM 1-2840-263-23.
12.2. Publication Changes - N/A.

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