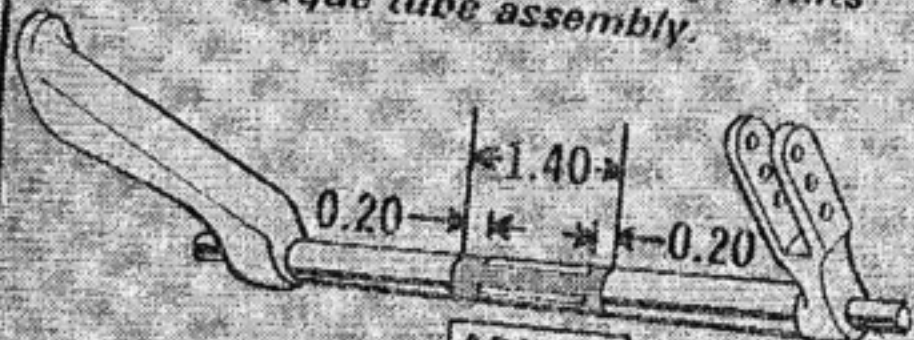


TORQUE TUBE TALE

Dear Windy,
Fig 5-18, page 5-47, TM 55-1520-228-20 (Oct 72) gives damage limits for the torque tube assembly.



AREA A

Area A in this figure is to be FREE of dents. Does this mean we should replace the tube assembly for any damage to that area, no matter how small?

SP6 J.J.

WOT HAPPENED TO HERMAN?

HE'S IN FOR REPAIRS...

CARRIED TOO BIG A LOAD IN HIS TORQUE TUBE LAST TIME OUT...

Dear Specialist J.J.,

It sure does. NO rework is allowed in this area. Any visible twisting or denting of the slotted portion of the tube means that it's been subjected to excessive loads and should be replaced.

Windy