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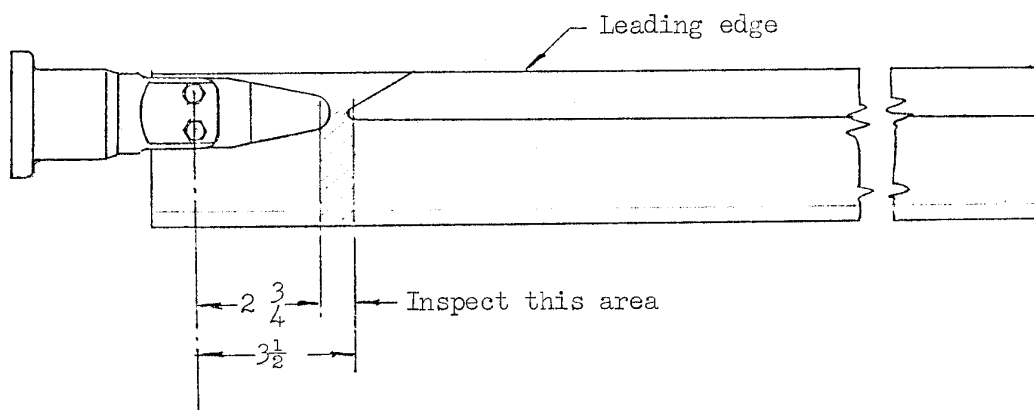
SERVICE DIRECTIVE BULLETIN

SERVICE NOTE NO. 0004

DATE: May 10, 1968
SUBJECT: Tail Rotor Blade Life - Part No. 28-15100
MODEL: F-28, All Serial Numbers
COMPLIANCE: Before Further Operation of the Helicopter

A retirement life of 200 hours has been established on the tail rotor blades, Part No. 28-15100, in view of one occurrence of a crack in service at 400 hours total time. Therefore, all tail rotor blades having a total time of 200 or more hours are to be removed from service, tagged with total number of hours, and stored for possible future use.

In addition, daily inspection of the blade skin for cracks in the chord-wise direction is required in an area $2 \frac{3}{4}$ to $3 \frac{1}{2}$ inches outboard of the retention bolts. (See sketch)



Should a crack be found, the blade must be retired from service, and we request that the Enstrom Corporation be advised of the defect.

The Enstrom Corporation regrets the inconvenience this lowered service life will create for our customers and are pursuing a vigorous program to provide early relief from this retirement requirement.