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Mr. Mike Mattler
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Subject: Global Alternative Method of Compliance (AMOC) to Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2021-12-08, Paragraph (g) Requirements – *“Except as specified in paragraph (h) of this AD: Comply with all required actions and compliance times specified in, and in accordance with European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) AD 2019-0305, dated December 17, 2019.”*

Dear Mr. Mattler:

The FAA International Validation Branch acknowledges receipt of your AMOC request letter dated June 19, 2021 to FAA AD 2021-12-08. Your letter requests credit for prior compliance provided Airbus ASB MBB-BK117 D-2-88A-003, Rev 0, Rev 1, or Rev 2 and optional Airbus SB-BK117 D-2-25-022 Rev 0 requirements have been met.

We have reviewed the information provided in your AMOC request letter and are informing you of the following. The FAA International Validation Branch finds no need to grant an AMOC approval for compliance previously performed per AD 2021-12-08, Paragraph (g) “Requirements”, since prior approval acceptance is stated in this AD’s Paragraph (f) Compliance: “Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.”

However, the operator must ensure the actions required by AD 2021-12-08 are those performed per the accomplishment instructions of EASA AD2019-0305, which includes the following Airbus service bulletins:

- Airbus ASB MBB-BK117 D-2-88A-003, Rev 0 dated November 26, 2019 or,
- Airbus ASB MBB-BK117 D-2-88A-003, Rev 1 dated December 09, 2019 or,
- Airbus ASB MBB-BK117 D-2-88A-003, Rev 2 dated June 30, 2021
- Airbus SB-BK117 D-2-25-022, Rev 0, dated June 30, 2021 (optional)

Still, the operator must note and comply with the “Exceptions to EASA AD 2019-0305” as stated in Paragraph (h) of AD 2021-12-08.

In accordance with FAA Order 8110.103B, the following limitations apply to this AMOC letter:

- This AMOC letter is applicable only to Airbus Helicopter models MBB-BK117 D-2, all serial numbers.
- All provisions of AD 2021-12-08 not specifically referenced above remain fully applicable and must be complied with accordingly.
- This AMOC letter is transferable with this specific airplane to another owner/operator.
- Before using this AMOC letter, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the local Flight Standards District Office/Certificate Holding District Office.
- The International Validation Branch will revoke this AMOC letter if it later determines it does not provide an acceptable level of safety.

Should you have any questions, please contact this office or Gregory Davison via electronic mail at Gregory.Davison@faa.gov.

Sincerely,

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