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## ***TECHNICAL BULLETIN #96 - REVISED***

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#### **Item #1 - ARGUS AAD Cutters**

Following an incident that is currently under investigation and in an agreement between AVIACOM and the French Parachute Federation, AVIACOM SA requests that people using ARGUS SIS (Civilian) Automatic Activation Devices manufactured between January 2007 and October 2007 that have a cutter from a batch identified <<JAN2007>> to return them for exchange.

Riggers are asked to immediately visually check the tag on the cable next to the cutter for the date of manufacture. If the tag indicates “JAN 2007” — remove cutter for exchange.

As a reminder, early model Argus AAD's (06/2006) are approaching their 4-year service schedule.

More information should be available from:

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[info@argus-aad.com](mailto:info@argus-aad.com), or your nearby Argus dealer/service centre.

#### **Revised Information**

**Aviacom has now mandated the replacement of all cutters with a manufacturing date of August 2007 or earlier. Cutter replacement must be made at the next repack, but no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010.**

**Cutters manufactured as of September, 2007 use a different, hardened steel blade delivering a clean cut on loops packed with lesser tension.**

Barry McAuley – Chair  
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