Subject: Inspection and exchange of the rudder pedal support fitting.

Affected gliders: All ASK 21 serial numbers 21001 thru 21312; as of serial number 21313 this is factory standard.

Compliance:
1. Check the rudder pedal support fitting prior to the next take-off.
2. If cracks are found in this fitting, it must be immediately exchanged for a new one. If cracks are not yet visible, the support fitting must be exchanged in any case by April 1, 1987.

Reason: On three ASK 21s which each have flown more than 1300 hours and more than 6000 take-offs respectively, this support fitting showed cracks or was broken (see Fig.1).

Action:
1. Order a new support fitting from the manufacturer; P/N 99.000.2174.
2. Remove the old support fitting; for this purpose the #4 mm blind rivets must be drilled off.
3. Measure the position of the #4 mm rivet holes on the removed fitting and transfer them accordingly onto the new fitting.
4. Install the new fitting and fix the upper pedal guide tube to the fitting using #5 mm blind rivets.

Material & drawings:
See drawing 99.000.2174.
2 (two) #5 mm blind rivets, 8 mm long, made from aluminum alloy.


Notes: The exchange of the fittings can be accomplished by a qualified person. The accomplishment of the action must be certified in the glider logbook and in the inspection certificates by an aviation inspector holding an appropriate license.

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Fig. 1

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