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SUBJECT: Operation of Airplanes with Enclosure Door Open

MODELS AFFECTED: J3

It has been a common practice to fly J3 airplanes with the upper enclosure door open.

As the hinges were not designed to withstand the loads and wear resulting from flying with the door open, there is a possibility that the door may be torn from the airplane and cause damage to other parts of the airplane while in flight.

We therefore recommend that all J3 airplanes be flown with the door installed and closed to avoid damage to the door and/or pressure conditions within the cabin which are not covered by design data.

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