



SUBJ: Wings; Flugwerk; Aerostar, FW 190 A8/N experimental airplane,
potential wing failure

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This is information only. Recommendations aren't mandatory.

Introduction

This Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin is being used to notify owners and operators of airworthiness findings concerning experimental FW 190 A8/N airplanes manufactured by Flugwerk GmbH or Aerostar provided to the FAA by the Luftfahrt-Bundesamt (LBA), which is the airworthiness authority of Germany.

Background

The subject airplanes are replicas of Focke-Wulf FW 190 type airplanes from the World War II period. The LBA provided the FAA with the attached description of the problem and inspection recommendations.

These airplanes are not type certificated in the United States and, therefore, the condition is not addressed by FAA Airworthiness Directive (AD) action. However, these airplanes could be operating in the United States with an experimental airworthiness certificate or other means.

Recommendations

We recommend you inspect the subject airplanes as described in the attached LBA letter. As the airplanes are experimental, we request that the inspection information be provided to the LBA contact for their analysis of the situation. Findings of damage or substandard workmanship should be considered with respect to further flight of an affected airplane.

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