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INSPECTION OF NEEDLES OF RELEASES

- 1. APPLIES TO:** the U – 067 releases of main parachutes (stabilization), serial no. 0 – 2608, used for the opening of packs of main parachutes STUDENT 01 with sport parachute sets.
- 2. REASON:** Possibility of releasing and taking out of the needle out of the brazed connection of the needle to the cable during the use and function of the release.
This fault occurred in two cases with the U – 067 release used during jumps with a stabilized descent from altitudes between 3,000 and 4,000 m at a high frequency of jumps of the above specified mode.
- 3. MEASURES:** Perform a regular inspection of the brazed connection of the needle to the cable of the U – 067 release accompanied with testing the strength of the connection of the needle to the cable using flat pliers. Take the needle into jaws of pliers with a textile or paper insertion. By turning the pliers clockwise as well as counter-clockwise test the strength of the connection.
In the case of discovering any damage of the brazed connection of the needle to the cable or release of the needle in the brazed connection, the release must not be used for the opening of the parachute pack. It is necessary to mark the release as not suitable for further use, store it separately from other parts of the parachute set into a locked place and immediately send an announcement to the manufacturer or supplier of the parachute set.
- 4. TIME OF EXECUTION:** Immediately after obtaining this bulletin and repeatedly before each packing of the main parachute for use.
- 5. COVERING OF COSTS :** Depends on the results of inspections.
The exchange/supply of a functional U – 067 release will be covered by the manufacturer after delivering of a faulty release.
- 6. MATERIAL NEEDED:** New U – 067 releases will be secured by the manufacturer.
- 7. PROGRESS OF OPERATIONS:** See article no. 3.

8. APPENDIX: 1 - photographic documentation of the released needle of the U – 067 release .

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Photographic documentation of the released needle of the U – 067 release

