

Batch of Argus AADs Recalled

The introduction of a new automatic opener got off to a rocky start when its manufacturer recalled 40 units in late May after one fired on the ground at a dealer's facility.

Aviacom SA of Braine l'Alleud, Belgium, issued a service bulletin May 29 on its new Argus automatic opener.

"We discovered a bug in the May 2006 batch," managing director Karel Goorts said in the bulletin. "[It was] due to a last-minute software update that obviously went wrong."

The recalled units had been shipped to Great Britain, Hungary, Japan, Poland and The Netherlands, the bulletin said. Their serial numbers are:

0506021101325,	0506021101349,
0506021101332,	0506021101363,
0506021101356,	0506021101394,
0506021101387,	0506021101417,
0506021101400,	0506021101721,
0506021101714,	0506021101745,
0506021101738,	0506021101769,
0506021101752,	0506021101783,
0506021101776,	0506021101813,
0506021101806,	0506021101851,
0506021101820,	0506021101899,
0506021101875,	0506021101912,
0506021101905,	0506021101936,
0506021101929,	0506021101950,
0506021101943,	0506021101974,
0506021101967,	0506021101998,
0506021101981,	0506021102018,
0506021102001,	0506021102032,
0506021102025,	

0506021102056, 0506021102063,
0506021102070.

Other units of the Argus, including evaluation units and production units manufactured in April are not affected by the recall.

Aviacom said it had resumed shipping its AAD in early June. The company began mass production of the microprocessor-based automatic opener in April after several years of development. — *MFT*

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