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SUBJECT: 1962 SURVEY OF MAINTENANCE AIRMEN

- 1. <u>PURPOSE</u>. This circular is to notify the aviation community of a forthcoming FAA survey of the activities and utilization of all certificated mechanics, repairmen, and authorized inspectors.
- 2. SCOPE. The survey is to be conducted strictly on a voluntary basis and is directed to certificated maintenance airmen in all segments of the aviation community. This includes the airlines, business flying, approved repair stations, fixed base operators, aircraft manufacturers, mechanic schools, as well as certificate holders not currently working in aircraft maintenance. Military personnel holding civil maintenance airman certificates also are asked to participate.
- 3. BACKGROUND. The maintenance airman certification program has remained relatively unchanged for more than 30 years, and probably should be realigned with the responsibilities of maintaining modern complex aircraft. To date, more than 119,000 maintenance airman certificates with ratings have been issued. However, little information is available on the number of active certificate holders, industry utilization of these airmen, the types of equipment on which they work, or their activities and duties. This information is needed to evaluate and plan the maintenance airman certification and surveillance program. The survey will develop this data.

Information sought by the survey will be similar to that which will be obtained from the Agency's proposed conversion program for all airman certificates. Since full data from this program will not be available until July 1965, and there is an immediate need for the information, all certificated maintenance airmen are asked to participate in the present survey.

- 4. <u>TIME</u>. The survey will start on November 1 and extend through November 30, 1962.
- FORMS. The form being used in the study consists of twelve questions and requires a minimum of writing. In addition to the name and address, eight of the questions can be answered by merely circling an appropriate number, and two may be completed by inserting a date and number.
- 6. <u>DISTRIBUTION</u>. Questionnaire forms may be obtained from any FAA district or international field office. In addition, forms will be given wide distribution throughout the aviation industry by bulk shipment to most aircraft maintenance facilities, such as airline shops, repair stations, and fixed base operators. Recipients of these bulk quantities are asked to make copies of the questionnaire available to the individual certificated maintenance airmen.
- 7. <u>RESPONSE</u>. The FAA requests that forms be completed and returned by November 30. No postage is necessary since each questionnaire form bears a franked return address.

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