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SUBJECT: CLOSING LOOP RETAINER MODIFICATION		
STATUS: MANDATORY		

IDENTIFICATION:

Javelin Harness and Container Assemblies: **All Sizes Manufactured during August 1993 and Earlier.**

BACKGROUND:

A small diameter suspension line got caught under the grommet on the main Closing Loop Retainer of a Javelin Harness and Container Assembly and resulted in a fatality. The Retainer in the main container pack tray of the above-mentioned assemblies is installed in such a way that the closing loop grommet faces the main deployment bag when packed. Small diameter main canopy suspension lines (similar to Microline 550 and Vectran 500) could get caught around the grommet and may result in a reserve being deployed into a cutaway yet still attached main canopy.

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The grommet on the affected closing loop retainer should be shielded from any interaction with the main canopy suspension lines, during stowage or deployment of the main canopy. The recommended method of shielding the grommet is addressed in the attached pictures and explanation.

COMPLIANCE DATE:

Before the next jump.

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