### ECOLE NATIONALE DE L'AVIATION CIVILE

# HANDLING QUALITIES EXAMINATION

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Duration : 2H

Please provide also your **French first name** on the top of your copy.

You can answer to the questions in French or in English, as you prefer.

1°) a) What is called the dihedral effect?

- b) What is the associated aerodynamic coefficient?
- c) What is its sign? Why?
- d) How the design of an aircraft can modify this dihedral effect?
- e) Do you know some effects on handling qualities linked to this coefficient?
- 2°) Same questions with directional stability

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For next page exercice:

A twin engine airplane is defined by the following features:

- Reference area S=100 m<sup>2</sup>
- Reference chord (or MAC) I=3 m
- $Weight = 70\ 000\ kg$

We will use  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$   $\rho_0 = 1.225 \text{ kg/m}^3$ 

The following aerodynamic coefficients are given (Take care of units!) :

 $Cz_{\alpha}=0.1 \text{ deg}^{-1}$  (gradient in incidence),  $Cz\delta m=0$ Incidence for null lift  $\alpha_0=-4^{\circ}$ 

$$Cm\alpha = -1.5 \text{ rd}^{-1}$$
,  $Cm\delta m = -5 \text{ rd}^{-1}$ ,  $Cmq = -10 \text{ rd}^{-1}$ 

 $C_{y\beta} = -1.4 \ rd^{-1} \ C_{y\delta n} = 0$ 

$$C_{l\beta} = -5 \ rd^{-1} \ C_{l\delta l} = -0.5 \ rd^{-1} \ C_{l\delta n} = 0$$
  $C_{lp} = -5 \ rd^{-1} C_{lr} = 11 \ rd^{-1}$ 

$$C_{n\beta} = 1.1 \ rd^{-1}$$
  $C_{n\delta l} = 0$   $C_{n\delta n} = -1.5 \ rd^{-1}$   $C_{np} = -2.5 \ rd^{-1}$   $C_{nr} = -10 \ rd^{-1}$ 

Rudder stops: +/- 30°.

### 3°) Pull-up manoeuvre (in French: "ressource")

The aircraft performs a pull-up manoeuvre at 1.5 g at a constant speed equal to 150 m/s (with bank angle=0°)

- a) What is the name of the equation used to compute the angle of attack during this pull-up manoeuvre?
- b) Provide the expression of the increase of angle of attack during this manoeuvre
- c) Compute it (numerical result)
- d) Is the elevator deflected during this stabilised manoeuvre at constant load factor? Why?
- e) What is the name of the equation used to compute the elevator deflection during this pull-up manoeuvre?
- f) Provide the expression of this deflection
- g) Compute it (numerical result in °)

## 4°) Stabilised turn

The same aircraft performs a stabilised and correct turn at 1.5g and 150 m/s (constant bank angle, constant speed).

- a) Provide the expression of the increase of angle of attack during this manoeuvre.
- b) Is the elevator more deflected than during the pull-up manoeuvre? Why?
- c) What is the sideslip? Why?
- d) What is the yaw rate? Compute it (numerical result)
- e) Are the ailerons deflected during this stabilised turn at constant bank angle? Why?
- f) What is the name of the equation used to compute the ailerons deflection?
- g) Provide the expression of this ailerons deflection
- h) Compute it (numerical result in °)
- i) Is the rudder deflected during this stabilised turn? Why?
- i) What is the name of the equation used to compute this rudder deflection?
- k) Provide the expression of this deflection
- I) Compute it (numerical result in °)