



Don't be in a Hurry

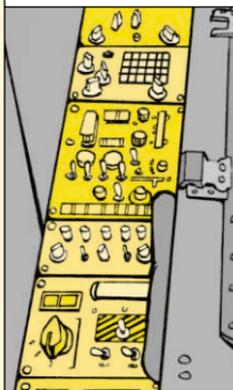
The AH-64's radio console can't take a lickin' and keep on tickin' when big feet step on it or helmets are dropped on it.

At the end of the day, take your time and exit the bird without rushing. Hurrying leads to mistakes and a lack of attention to what you're doing. So don't rush when you exit the bird or while doing maintenance.

Some copilots are in such hurry to leave the bird that the IHADSS helmet slips from their hand and falls on the console. It breaks knobs on the UHF and VHF radio, which knocks out your ability to set frequencies.

Don't forget the agony of de-feet either. Stepping on the radio console as you exit the bird can damage other avionics.

Watch your feet and hold your helmet tight



Once you bend or break knobs, switches or dials, communication is over and your bird is NMC.

To protect the console while it's not flying, have your AVIM shop make a protective cover.

Here are the plans with the dimensions. Have your sheet metal shop make the cover from .040-in aluminum sheet.

