

Indonesia's

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FASI



Satuan Udara FASI - Halim-Perdanakusumah (Jakarta)

Registration	Type	Remarks
AF-4775	C-47	special colours
AF-4776	C-47	special colours
AF-4777	C-47	under restoration
AF-4790	C-47	special colours
AF-0702	SC-7	unservicable (u/s)
A-2307	PA-23 Aztec	u/s
A-3402	PA-34 Seneca	u/s
L-1810	Cessna 185E	u/s
L-1811	Cessna 185E	u/s at Lido Lake Centre
L-1501	C 150 commuter	u/s
L-1426	PZL-104	on loan from Kalijati
LD-3481	T-34A-45	
LD-3482	T-34A-45	
L-0108	Aviat Husky A1	on loan from Dki-Pondok Cabe
L-0109	Aviat Husky A1	on loan from Dki-Pondok Cabe
B-475	T-60	
B-423	T-60	

• The Dakotas are the last airworthy examples in Indonesia, one of which is undergoing complete restoration (AF-4777). Two others are waiting to receive a set of engines.

• The two Meritons are the last of the T-34A type to fly.

• The list also includes the last two airworthy Harvards in Indonesia. They fly practically every Saturday and Sunday.

• The FASI also flies possibly the last five remaining Palcoy PZL-104s.

NEXT TO THE well-known military aviation units in Indonesia, one small active service exists, with departments scattered all over the archipelago.

This service, the *Federasi Aerospot Indonesia* (FASI), has the honour of keeping some of Indonesia's historic aircraft flying. It is this unit that regularly puts Daks, PZL-104s and Harvards into the air.

Although not all the aircraft are necessarily military owned, laws dictate that only the air force or large companies can afford to fly the aircraft and have the personnel to support them.

Most of the departments are too small, so the military takes care of this. As a result,

the majority of the aircraft are on the Air Force inventory — and wear roundels and military serials — but they can be maintained (though not certificated) and flown by volunteers. Therefore, this little known unit falls directly under the command of the *Tentara Nasional Indonesia - Angkatan Udara* (Indonesian Air Force), which itself is part of the ABRI national defence forces (Air Force, Navy, Army and Police).

The FASI comprises not only fixed-wing aircraft, but is also very active in ballooning, parachuting, hang-gliding and flying model planes as well as kites and gliders!

The purpose of this group is to provide fun-flying for military personnel as well as



Above: This Kalijati-based PZL-104 undergoes minor maintenance before continuing his work as a glider tug.

Right: Used mainly for taking up parachutists, this unique Shorts SC7 Skyvan is the only one known to remain in Indonesian military service.