

**SUBJECT****Driver's Side Exterior Door Handle Cover Cap Is Loose****MODEL**

F56 (Cooper, Cooper S)

SITUATION

The driver's side exterior door handle cover cap is loose or missing.

CAUSE

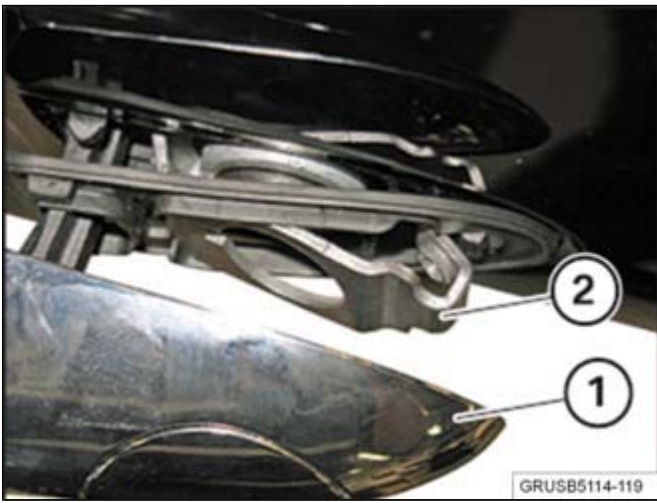
Driver's side exterior door handle

PROCEDURE

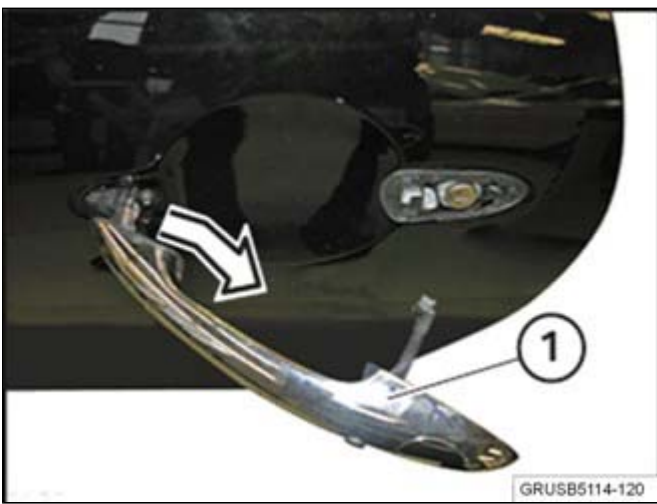
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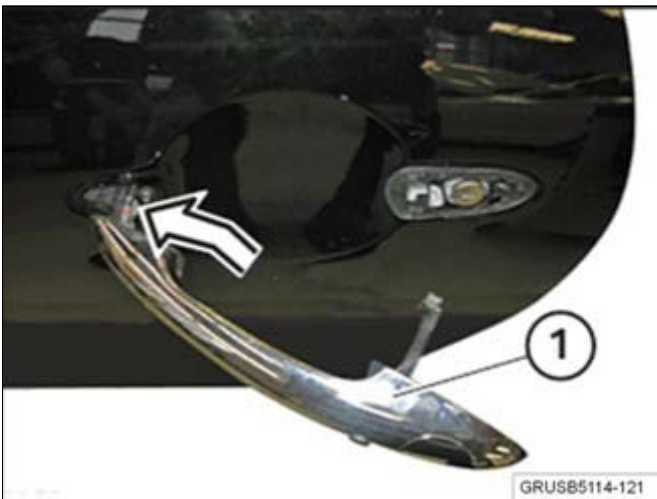
2. To remove the driver's exterior door handle, pry out the cover cap (1) and remove the screw underneath.



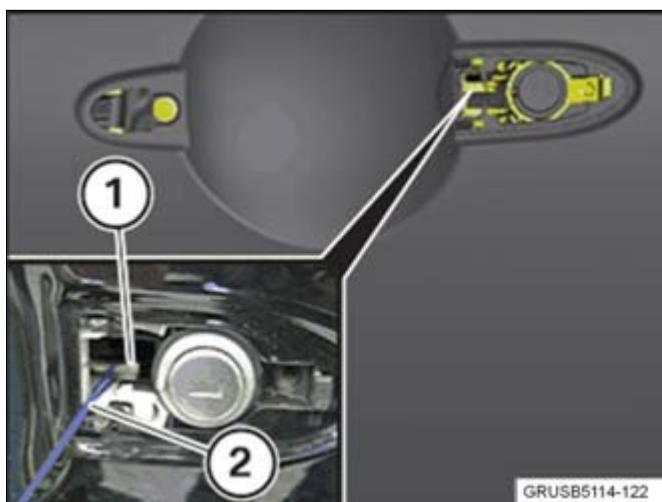
3. Partially pull out the exterior door handle (1). Feed out the retaining plate (2).



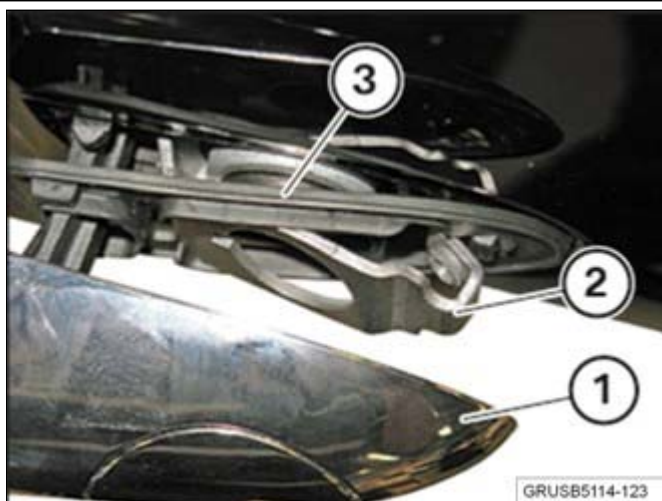
4. Pull the exterior door handle further (1) towards the rear. Feed out the handle from the door. If necessary, unlock the associated plug connections and disconnect; then remove the exterior door handle.



5. To install the driver's exterior door handle, first connect the plug connections; then feed the exterior door handle into the front opening.



6. Use a string (2) to pull the lock actuator (1) outwards to hold in position. Install the exterior door handle and insert properly into the lock actuator (1). Remove the string (2).



7. Position the exterior door handle slightly outward (1). Feed in the retaining plate (2). Ensure the gasket (3) is seated correctly.



8. Install the retaining bolt and cover plug (1).

Tightening torque is 3 Nm.

Quality check the replacement door handle for proper operation, including manual key locking and unlocking.

PARTS INFORMATION

Part Number	Description	Quantity
51 21 7 317 635	Driver's exterior door handle	1

or		
51 21 7 327 341	Driver's exterior door handle with option S322A	1

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Covered under the terms of the MINI New Passenger Car Limited Warranty.

Defect Code:	51 21 05 37 00	
Labor Operation:	Labor Allowance:	Description:
51 21 170	Refer to KSD2	Removing and installing or replacing left or right door lock
or		
51 21 770	Refer to KSD2	Removing and installing or replacing left or right door lock as Plus work

Labor operation code 51 21 170 is a Main labor operation. If you are using a Main labor code for another repair, use the Plus code labor operation 51 21 770 instead.

Refer to KSD2 for the corresponding flat rate unit (FRU) allowance. Enter the Chassis Number, which consists of the last 7 digits of the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN). Click on the "Search" button, and then enter the applicable flat rate labor operation in the FR code field.

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