

(3.) Part III. of this Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by Proclamation.

Parts.

3. This Act is divided into Parts, as follows:—

Part I.—Preliminary (Sections 1–7).

Part II.—Damage to which the Rome Convention applies (Sections 8–15).

Part III.—Other Damage to which this Act applies (Sections 16–19).

Part IV.—Regulations (Section 20).

Definitions.

4. In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—

“Australia” includes the Territories of the Commonwealth;

“contracting State” means a country, other than Australia, which is bound by the provisions of the Convention;

“the Convention” means the Convention on Damage caused by Foreign Aircraft to third Parties on the Surface opened for signature at Rome on the seventh day of October, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-two, being the Convention a copy of the authentic text of which in the English language is set out in the Schedule to this Act.

Extension to Territories.

5. This Act extends to every Territory of the Commonwealth.

Act to bind Crown.

6. This Act binds the Crown in right of the Commonwealth or of any State.

Approval of ratification of Rome Convention.

7. Approval is given to ratification by Australia of the Convention.

PART II.—DAMAGE TO WHICH THE ROME CONVENTION
APPLIES.

Convention to have the force of law.

8.—(1.) The provisions of the Convention have the force of law in Australia.

(2.) A reference in this Part to the Convention shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be read as a reference to the provisions of the Convention as having the force of law by virtue of this section.

Actions under Convention.

9.—(1.) Where damage in relation to which the Convention applies occurs in Australia, an action under the Convention in respect of the damage does not lie in Australia except in a Court having jurisdiction in relation to the place where the damage occurs.