

A.D. 1932. Convention comes into force as regards the United Kingdom, the provisions thereof as set out in the First Schedule to this Act shall, so far as they relate to the rights and liabilities of carriers, passengers, consignors, consignees and other persons and subject to the provisions of this section, have the force of law in the United Kingdom in relation to any carriage by air to which the Convention applies, irrespective of the nationality of the aircraft performing that carriage.

(2) His Majesty may by Order in Council from time to time certify who are the High Contracting Parties to the Convention, in respect of what territories they are respectively parties and to what extent they have availed themselves of the provisions of the Additional Protocol to the Convention, and any such Order shall, except in so far as it has been superseded by a subsequent Order, be conclusive evidence of the matters so certified.¹

(3) Any reference in the said First Schedule to the territory of any High Contracting Party to the Convention shall be construed as a reference to the territories subject to his sovereignty, suzerainty, mandate or authority, in respect of which he is a party.

(4) Any liability imposed by Article seventeen of the said First Schedule on a carrier in respect of the death of a passenger shall be in substitution for any liability of the carrier in respect of the death of that passenger either under any statute or at common law, and the provisions set out in the Second Schedule to this Act shall have effect with respect to the persons by and for whose benefit the liability so imposed is enforceable and with respect to the manner in which it may be enforced.

(5) Any sum in francs mentioned in Article twenty-two of the said First Schedule shall, for the purposes of any action against a carrier, be converted into sterling at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date on which the amount of any damages to be paid by the carrier is ascertained by the court.

¹ For Orders under Subsection (2) see the Carriage by Air (Parties to Convention) Order, 1951, S. I. 1951, No. 1386, the Carriage by Air (Parties to Convention) (No. 2) Order, 1952, S. I. 1952, No. 1344, the Carriage by Air (Parties to Convention) (No. 3) Order, 1952, S. I. 1952, No. 2105, the Carriage by Air (Parties to Convention) (No. 4) Order, 1953, S. I. 1953, No. 1675, the Carriage by Air (Parties to Convention) (No. 5) Order, 1955, S. I. 1955, No. 697, the Carriage by Air (Parties to Convention) (No. 6) Order, 1956, S. I. 1956, No. 83.