

(3) Any person who, on the transfer date, had in his possession or under his control any books, documents or papers, which relate to an undertaking transferred from either of the vendor companies to the British Overseas Airways Corporation and which belonged to either of the vendor companies, or would have so belonged if such transfer had not taken place, shall be liable to account for the said documents to the corporation and shall, at the request of the corporation, deliver them up to the corporation, or to such person as the corporation may appoint:

Provided that nothing in this section shall be construed as over-riding or affecting a lien to which any person may be entitled.

(4) In this section and in the following provisions of this Act—

- (a) the expression "transfer date" means the day on which the undertakings of Imperial Airways Limited and British Airways Limited were under section nine of the British Overseas Airways Act, 1939, transferred to the British Overseas Airways Corporation, that is to say, the first day of April, nineteen hundred and forty; and
- (b) the expression "the vendor companies" means Imperial Airways Limited and British Airways Limited.

33. Stamp duty shall not be chargeable—

Exemption
from stamp
duty.

- (a) on any of the purchase agreements or on any conveyance, assignment or other instrument of transfer made in pursuance of any of those agreements; or
- (b) under section twelve of the Finance Act, 1895, on any instrument relating to the vesting of the undertakings of either of the vendor companies in the British Overseas Airways Corporation.

In this section, the expression "purchase agreements" means the contracts whereby the undertakings of the vendor companies were acquired by the British Overseas Airways Corporation.

Transitory provisions as to superannuation, etc.

34. The provisions contained in the Second Schedule to this Act shall have effect with respect to the pension and superannuation schemes of the vendor companies, and in that Schedule the expression "the corporation" means the British Overseas Airways Corporation.

Pension and
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