

or other aids) which are deemed necessary in connection with any aerodrome in respect of which a licence under the regulations has been or is to be issued.”.

3. The following section is hereby inserted in the principal Act after section *six*:

“Access to land or structures for certain purposes.

*6bis.* (1) Any person duly authorized thereto in writing by the Secretary for Transport may enter any land or structure, after notice to the occupier thereof, for the purpose of carrying out thereon or therein any such examination or survey as may be necessary to determine its suitability for any of the purposes mentioned in section *six* or of performing thereon or therein any other act which he is authorized to perform thereon or therein by this Act.

(2) Any person who hinders or obstructs any person in the exercise of his powers or the performance of his duties under sub-section (1) shall be guilty of an offence.”.

Insertion of section *6bis* in Act 16 of 1923.

4. Section *seven* of the principal Act is hereby repealed.

Repeal of section 7 of Act 16 of 1923.

5. Section *sixteen* of the principal Act is hereby amended by the insertion in sub-section (2) after the word “owner” where it occurs for the second time of the words “(except in the case of an air carrier as defined in section *one* of the Air Services Act, 1949 (Act No. 51 of 1949))”.

Amendment of section 16 of Act 16 of 1923, as amended by section 1 of Act 18 of 1950.

6. Section *seventeen* of the principal Act is hereby amended by the addition at the end thereof of the following proviso:

Amendment of section 17 of Act 16 of 1923.

“Provided that if any such offence is committed within the Union, the offence may be tried by any court having jurisdiction where the offence was committed.”.

7. Section *eighteen* of the principal Act is hereby amended—

Amendment of section 18 of Act 16 of 1923.

(a) by the addition at the end of sub-section (1) of the words “and to all Union aircraft and personnel wheresoever they may be.”; and

(b) by the insertion after sub-section (1) of the following sub-section:

“(1)*bis* For the purposes of sub-section (1) the personnel of an aircraft shall be deemed to include the pilot or other person in charge of the aircraft, and all other members of the crew of the aircraft.”.

8. Section *twenty* of the principal Act is hereby amended—

Amendment of section 20 of Act 16 of 1923, as amended by section 7 of Act 41 of 1946 and section 3 of Act 42 of 1947.

(a) by the deletion of the definition of “air carrier”;

(b) by the deletion of the definition of “commercial air service”; and

(c) by the substitution for the definition of “Minister” of the following definition:

“ ‘Minister’ means the Minister of Transport;”.

Short title.

9. This Act shall be called the Aviation Amendment Act, 1955.