

(4.) At least one of the assessors appointed to assist the Board or, where only one assessor is appointed, that assessor, shall be a person who is not otherwise in the employ of the Commonwealth or an authority of the Commonwealth.

(5.) There may be paid to any member of the Compensation Board and to any assessor such remuneration (if any) for his services and such travelling allowances (if any) as the Minister directs.

(6.) Where, during or after the hearing of any claim, the Chairman, or either of the other members of the Compensation Board, is unable on account of death, illness or otherwise to proceed with the hearing or determination, the remaining members may continue with the hearing and determination, or the determination, as the case may be.

(7.) A member who has been absent during any part of the hearing of a claim shall not be eligible to take any further part in the hearing and determination of that claim.

(8.) If the Commission and the claimant consent, the Chairman of the Compensation Board may sit alone for the hearing of any claim, and in any such case the determination of the Chairman shall be of the same force and effect as if it were the determination of the Board.

Deputies.

51.—(1.) The Minister may appoint a person (including a member of the Board) to be the Deputy Chairman of the Compensation Board during any absence of the Chairman.

(2.) The Minister may appoint a person to be the Deputy of any member (other than the Chairman) of the Compensation Board during any absence of the member, or at any time when the member is acting as Deputy of the Chairman of the Board.

(3.) A person appointed under this section shall, while acting as Deputy, have all the powers and perform all the functions of the member of the Board for whom he is the Deputy, and any reference in this Act to a member of the Board shall be read as including a reference to the Deputy of a member so acting.

(4.) It shall not be necessary for a person appointed under this section to have any qualification possessed by the member of whom he is appointed to be the Deputy.

Claims for compensation.

52.—(1.) Any person who suffers loss or damage by reason of any acquisition of property under Part III. of this Act or by reason of the application of section forty-six of this Act to an airline licence, shall, subject to this section, be paid such compensation as is determined by agreement between the Commission and the person concerned.

(1A.) An agreement under the last preceding sub-section shall be subject to the approval of the Minister.