

purpose beforehand by the competent authority upon advice of the interested ministries.

Art. 48. Air transportation between points within the national territory is hereby reserved to Brazilian aircraft. Exceptionally, the Government may permit foreign aircraft to undertake the transportation of mail within the country, as well as that of passengers between points not yet adequately served by Brazilian aircraft, and only until they are so served.

Art. 49. No private aircraft shall have the right to transport the following articles except with special authorization, and with advice to the Ministers of War and Navy:

a) explosives, fire arms, munitions of war and any means or instruments of war, or carrier pigeons;

b) photographic and cinematographic equipment, unless they are delivered to the care of the commander of the aircraft and duly sealed at the airport of entry by the competent authority, and are thus safeguarded until the interested passenger leaves the aircraft or until the arrival at a customs airport on Brazilian territory.

Art. 50. If it is in the public interest, the Government may prohibit the transportation of baggage in a private aircraft, or may compel its inspection at customs airports.

Art. 51. No aircraft shall jettison as ballast anything except water or fine sand, nor shall it be permitted, during the flight, to throw overboard any object, with the exception of mail, announcements, handbills, loose printed matter, and only if there is special authorization therefor.

Art. 52. No aircraft shall engage in acrobatic flights or dangerous maneuvers over cities or crowds of people.

Art. 53. All aircraft shall be subject during flight as well as in the area of an airdrome or airport to the regulations pertaining to lights and signals and to the general rules with respect to air navigation, promulgated by the competent authority.

Art. 54. Without prejudice to the rights granted to aircraft in scheduled air service, every private aircraft in flight over Brazilian territory shall be required to land upon being so ordered by signals from the ground that shall be provided in administrative regulations to be published by the competent authority, with advice to the Ministries of Public Works, of War and of the Navy.

Sole Paragraph. In the case of a manifest violation of the above provision an aircraft may be compelled to land by the use of force.

#### CHAPTER VII—CUSTOMS INSPECTION

Art. 55. Aircraft arriving from abroad and transporting passengers and merchandise shall be obliged to comply with the rules and provisions of the customs laws.

Art. 56. Every and all aircraft arriving from abroad shall be required to furnish the inspecting official boarding the aircraft at the time of its arrival with its registration papers, ship's papers and, if transporting cargo, with the cargo manifest in triplicate, which shall be visaed by the customs official.