

paired or kept, together with any machinery, plant, material or things used for the operation, manufacture, repair or maintenance of aircraft, shall be delivered, either forthwith or within a specified time, to such authority and in such manner as he may specify in the order, to be at the disposal of [the State]⁷ for the public service.

(2) Any person who suffers direct injury or loss by reason of any order made under clause (c) or clause (d) of sub-section (1) shall be paid such compensation as may be determined by such authority as the President of the Union may appoint in this behalf.

(3) The President of the Union may authorize such steps to be taken to secure compliance with any order made under sub-section (1) as appear to him to be necessary.

(4) Whoever knowingly disobeys, or fails to comply with, or does any act in contravention of, an order made under sub-section (1) shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine, or with both, and the Court by which he is convicted may direct that the aircraft or thing (if any) in respect of which the offence has been committed, or any part of such thing, shall be forfeited to [the State]⁷.

7. (1) The President of the Union may, by notification in the Gazette, make rules providing for the investigation of any accident arising out of or in the course of [the navigation—

(a) in or over the Union of Burma of any aircraft,

or

(b) anywhere of aircraft registered in the Union of Burma.]⁸

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may—

(a) require notice to be given of any accident in such manner and by such person as may be prescribed;

(b) apply for the purposes of such investigation, either with or without modification, the provisions of any law for the time being in force relating to the investigation of accidents;

(c) prohibit pending investigation access to or interference with aircraft to which an accident has occurred, and authorize any person so far as may be necessary for the purposes of an investigation to have access to, examine, remove, take measures for the preservation of, or otherwise deal with any such aircraft; and

(d) authorize or require the cancellation, suspension, endorsement or surrender of any licence or certificate granted or recognised under this Act when it

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⁷ Substituted by the Union of Burma (Adaptation of Laws) Order, 1948.

⁸ Substituted by Act XXI, 1947.