

SECTION 16. JURISDICTION OF COURTS

(1) Claims for damages caused by the operation of a vehicle may also be brought before the court in whose area the injury was caused whether the proceedings are under this law or under the Civil Code.

(2) Claims for damages caused by interference of the operations may be brought against any of the liable parties (Section 14, subsections 1) before any court which has jurisdiction with respect to some of them.

CONCLUDING PROVISIONS

SECTION 17

All provisions now in force of the Law on Railroads, No. 86/1937 Coll., and on Motor Transport, No. 91/1935 Coll., as well as Sections 29 to 36, and 39 and 40 of Law on Aviation, No. 172/1925 Coll. shall be abrogated.

SECTION 18

This Law shall take effect on November 1, 1951; it shall be carried out by all the Members of the Cabinet.

*Law of September 24, 1956, No. 47, 1956 Coll. on Civil Aviation
(Aviation Law)*

CHAPTER I. INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

SECTION 1. PURPOSE OF CIVIL AVIATION

(1) The purpose of the Czechoslovak civil aviation is to provide transportation by air, ensure safety in civil aviation operations over the territory of the Czechoslovak Republic, and to satisfy other significant social needs.

(2) Czechoslovak civil aviation shall serve in particular:

- a) transportation by air, whether domestic or international, scheduled or nonscheduled, of passengers, baggage, goods, and mail,
- b) agriculture and forestry,
- c) scientific research work,
- d) cultural and popular educational purposes,
- e) public health,
- f) air sports.

SECTION 2. CONTROL OF CIVIL AVIATION

(1) The Ministry of Transport shall be charged with the promotion of civil aviation. It shall supervise and direct its activities and see to it that such activities conform with the provisions of the present law and regulations issued on the basis thereof, and in conformity with the state plan of development of the national economy.

(2) The Ministry of Transport also shall engage in scheduled and nonscheduled air service and provide air services for the agricultural and forest economy, and/or other air services.