

*Art. 25.* The privileges specified in the preceding article shall affect the aircraft or the insurance mentioned in Article 16. They shall follow the aircraft in whatever hands it may pass.

They shall be extinguished three months after the event which gave rise to them unless the creditor makes prior recordation of the debt in the register of the aircraft, after having given friendly notice of the amount or, in the absence thereof, after having commenced a legal action therefor.

They shall further be extinguished, independently of the normal methods of extinction of privileges:

1) By judicial sale of the aircraft, executed in the form provided for by decree:

2) In case of voluntary transfer properly recorded in the register, at the latest, one month after publication of the transfer in a journal of legal notices at the domicile of the vendor, unless, prior to expiration of such period, the creditor has given notice of such debt to the vendee, at the domicile stated by him in the publications.

*Art. 26.* Debts specified in Article 24 shall be privileged in the order in which they appear in that article.

Debts of the same order of precedence shall be of equal rank and shall be paid at the same rate in case of insufficient funds.

However, debts mentioned in Article 24, 2), and 3) shall be paid in inverse order as regards the events which gave rise to them.

*Art. 27.* Privileges other than those enumerated in Article 24 shall rank after mortgages whose recordation precedes the arising of such privileges. However, in the case of sale in Dahomey of an aircraft mortgaged in a State party to the international convention for the recognition of rights in aircraft signed at Geneva on June 19, 1948, the rights provided for in Article 1 of that convention which exist on the aircraft may be exercised only in recognition of the rights of the persons who suffered damages on the ground as provided for in Article 7 of that convention.

*Art. 28.* Except in the case of judicial sale in the manner provided for by decree, the registration of an aircraft may not be transferred to another State except by prior extinction of recorded rights or with the consent of the persons entitled thereto.

Until this condition has been fulfilled, the official in charge of the register must refuse any cancellation.

*Art. 29.* When there is attachment of an aircraft registered in a State party to the convention for the recognition of rights in aircraft signed at Geneva on June 19, 1948, no judicial sale may be had when the rights that have preference over those of the attaching creditor cannot be satisfied by the sale price or when they are not assumed by the vendee.

However, when a mortgaged aircraft causes damages to third persons on the ground within Dahomey, the provisions of the preceding paragraph may not be invoked against such persons suffering the damage or their representatives in attaching the aircraft which caused the damages or another aircraft of the same owner.

*Art. 30.* Without thereby affecting more serious penalties, if they are in order, any act of destruction or removal, or an attempt at destruction or removal of an aircraft or spare parts on which a mortgage has been properly recorded, shall be punished by a fine of from 240,000 to 2,400,000 CFA or by imprisonment of from 2 months to 2 years.