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Law No. 5017 Concerning Air Navigation ¹

(Effective June 13, 1931)

Chapter I. Definitions

Article 1. In the sense of this law there shall be deemed:

1.) Aircraft: any device capable of supporting itself in the airspace by static or dynamic action exercised on it by the air;

2.) Air Navigation: use of any aircraft on, or above the ground;3.) Aircraft are divided into State and private aircraft; State air-

craft shall be those belonging to the State; private aircraft shall be those belonging not to the State but the societies, aviation organizations or clubs or to individuals (see paragraph 4);

4.) Concerning the jurisdiction of the two main branches of the

Air Ministry, aircraft are divided into two groups:

a) military aircraft, i.e., State aircraft used for training of the

military or for war purposes, and

b) Civil aircraft, i.e., all those which are not military aircraft;

5.) Civil aircraft under the jurisdiction of the Directorate Civil

Aviation (Board) are divided into:

a) Civil State aircraft, i.e., aircraft, other than military belonging to the State. This means aircraft in the service of the police, customs, aerial mapping, agriculture, communications, mail, etc., provided that they are not under the command of military personnel on active service and that they belong to the State,

b) Private aircraft, i.e., all those not belonging to the State as

specified in paragraph'3;

6.) Private aircraft are divided into:

a) Private commercial aircraft belonging to corporations or individuals and commercially used for aerial work (they may be aircraft for communications, mail, aerial mapping, agriculture, etc.),

b) Private aircraft belonging to organizations, societies, clubs or individuals and used for sport or tourist purposes or for the private use of their owners but not for commercial purposes. Such

aircraft are also called aircraft for touring.

An appendix to this law contains regulations, particularly the Presidential Decree of August 14, 1931, entitled "Regulation of Air Flight." This decree was abrogated and superseded by Royal Decree No. 22/1964. Art, 10.1.1 of Decree No. 22/1964, published in Gov. Gazette of Jan. 31, 1964, reads: "The Royal Decree of 20.8/1.10.54 on implementation of the . . Decree of 7.8.1931, on Regulation of Air Flight as regards to inical operation of public transport aircraft, as amended and later implemented by Royal Decree of 25.6./21.7.57, and any other provision contrary to this decree are abrogated. . . ."
Thus, Decree No. 22/1964 abrogates also Decree of 20.8/1.10.1954, and Decree of 25.6./21.7.1957. Presumably, the basic law of June 3/13, 1931, is not superseded. Ed.