

insurer may not be held liable for damages caused by an aircraft to third parties on the ground.

Art. 1019. (Duration of liability.) The liability shall begin from the time of the takeoff maneuvers until the landing has been accomplished.

CHAPTER IV. COMMON PROVISIONS

Art. 1020. (Statute of limitation.) The provisions of Article 547 shall apply to the statute of limitation on rights resulting from an insurance contract.

The provisions of Article 973 shall apply to the statute of limitation on rights for damages suffered by third persons on the ground.

Art. 1021. (Referral.) The provisions of the Title on Insurance of the First Part, with the exception of Article 515, second paragraph, Article 527 and Article 538, shall apply to insurance against aviation risks, insofar as this has not been provided for in the present Title.

TITLE FIVE—PRIVILEGES AND MORTGAGES

CHAPTER I. PRIVILEGED CLAIMS

Art. 1022. (Liens—Priority of claims.) The privileges established in the present Chapter shall have preference over all other general or special privileges.

Art. 1023. (Liens on aircraft and freight.) The following credits shall have priority on all aircraft, and on the freight during the voyage in which such credit arose, on appurtenances and separable parts of the aircraft within the limits established in Article 1029, and accessories provided they arise after the commencement of the trip:

(1) Judicial costs due to the State or those incurred in the common interest of the creditors for acts of preserving the aircraft or for the process of execution; airport dues and similar dues and taxes, expenses, for the custody and care of an aircraft after its arrival at its destination:

(2) credits deriving from labor contracts of flight personnel;

(3) credits for amounts advanced by aeronautics, administrative, or consular authorities for the maintenance and repatriation of crew members, credits due for compulsory contributions to various institutions of assistance and social security for flight personnel:

(4) indemnities and compensation for assistance and salvage;

(5) indemnities for damages on the surface [caused] to third persons when the operator has not taken out or kept in force the compulsory insurance; the indemnity for aircraft collisions foreseen in Article 974; indemnities for death or injuries to the passengers and crew members as well as those for loss of, or damage to the cargo or luggage:

(6) credits derived from stipulated contracts or from transactions carried out by the commander by virtue of his legal powers even when he is the operator of the aircraft for exigencies connected with the preservation of the aircraft or the continuation of the voyage.