

Upon the motion of the President of the Council of the Ministers and the Planning Minister;

And upon hearing the Council of the Cabinet (Session of January 18, 1955)

ORDER

*Article 1.* The Royal Decree No. 372 of December 31, 1953 cited above is complemented by the following regulations which invalidate and replace the earlier regulations of the same nature.

*Article 2.* This Decree has as its object the determination of the bases for the control exercised over civil aircraft, over the flight personnel, and over air transport.

In conformity with Article 3 of the Chicago Convention of December 7, 1944, the aircraft used by the military services, the customs or police authorities are considered aircraft of the State and are not subject to this Regulation.

*Article 3.* The import of civil aircraft into the Territory of the Kingdom is subject to the submission of a prior license, according to Article 17 of the Chicago Convention as cited before. These airplanes will be registered under the conditions provided in the Transfer Agreement pertaining to the competencies in regard to civil aviation of September 12, 1953.

*Article 4.* The members of the crews responsible for the piloting of a civil aircraft which has been imported onto the Territory of the Kingdom must be holders of patents and licenses of the flight personnel of the civil aviation that correspond to their functions and have been issued by a country which is a member of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

These licenses and patents are validated, for Laos, by the Director of Civil Aviation.

*Article 5.* Every owner of a civil aircraft must prove that insurance under-written by an approved insurance company covers all the risks concerning the aircraft, the goods transported and the crew as well as all third parties, whether they are passengers or not.

*Article 6.* The operation of commercial air transports will require an express authorization of the Royal Government.

*Article 7.* Presidential orders will determine the details of the execution of the Regulations contained in this Decree.

*Article 8.* Any violation of the regulations of this Decree and of the rules for its execution will be verified by an authentic official report drawn up by the Delegate for Civil Aviation or by any agent who has been specially qualified for that purpose.

*Article 9.* The Director of Civil Aviation will be empowered, depending on the nature and seriousness of the violation verified, to issue a warning to the violator or to pronounce the temporary or permanent withdrawal of the authorization or validations presented by the violator.

The sanctions applied will be made known to the competent agencies of the State jurisdiction which is competent in regard to the violator, as well as to all other organizations which have a legitimate interest in that information.

These administrative sanctions will be pronounced without prejudice as far as any judicial prosecutions incurred are concerned.