

TITLE II. CRIMINAL PROVISIONS

Art. 13. Criminal liability

Violations of the provisions of this law and implementing regulations shall be punished in accordance with the following articles.

Art. 14. Violations by owners or operators

1) There shall be punished by a fine of from 60,000 to 1,200,000 francs or by imprisonment of from six days to one month or by both penalties, the owner of an aircraft who—

a) puts or leaves in service an aircraft without identification marks;

b) puts or leaves in service any aircraft without registration or airworthiness certificate, or with an airworthiness certificate which is no longer valid; any refusal to issue an airworthiness certificate by the competent authority shall be notified in writing to the person concerned and such notification shall establish a presumption of negligence against him.

2) There shall be punished by a fine of from 60,000 to 1,200,000 francs, the owner of a Mauretanian aircraft who causes such aircraft to be registered in a foreign register without having requested the Civil Aviation Service to strike it from the Mauretanian register.

Art. 15. Violations by a flight commander

1) There shall be punished by a fine of from 60,000 to 1,200,000 francs or by imprisonment of from six days to one month, or by both penalties, any flight commander who—

a) flies an aircraft without registration and airworthiness certificates, or with an airworthiness certificate which is no longer valid;

b) flies an aircraft without registration marks;

c) flies an aircraft without a valid Mauretanian license or a foreign license validated in Mauretania, and the same penalty may be imposed on any member of the flight personnel for a similar violation;

d) flies over prohibited or restricted areas in violation of the provisions of the Code of Civil Aviation;

e) lands outside an airdrome in violation of the provisions of the Code of Civil Aviation;

f) destroys flight logs or makes incorrect notations therein.

2) There shall be punished by a fine of from 120,000 to 600,000 francs, any flight commander who—

a) flies an aircraft while in a condition of drunkenness, and the same penalty may be imposed on any member of the flight personnel;

b) begins a flight without having ascertained that all required safety conditions are met;

c) disobeys the instructions of the flight control services, except in cases where they would inevitably lead to an accident;

d) executes acrobatic or buzzing flight without authorization;

e) throws or drops from an aircraft any objects or substances, without such action being necessary;

f) transports without authorization, munitions, war materiel, or other dangerous articles;