

Cap. 23.

Returns
relating to
births and
deaths by
owners of
aircraft.

trar of Births and Deaths appointed by the Governor-General in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 4 of the Births, Deaths and Burials Ordinance.

3. (1) The owner of an aircraft registered in Nigeria shall as soon as practicable but not later than six months after the occurrence in or over Nigeria of a birth or death in the aircraft, transmit to the Director a return of such birth or death in the form, in accordance with the instructions, and containing the particulars prescribed in Appendix A to this Ordinance (in the case of a birth) or Appendix B to this Ordinance (in the case of a death): Provided that if such particulars are not known to the owner of the aircraft, he shall transmit as aforesaid so many of such particulars as he is reasonably able to ascertain having regard to the circumstances of the birth or death.

(2) To facilitate the rendering of returns in accordance with this Ordinance the person in command of an aircraft registered in Nigeria shall forthwith on the occurrence in or over Nigeria of a birth or death in the aircraft, record in the journey log book, or other appropriate document relating to that aircraft, the particulars of the birth or death mentioned in subsection (1) of this section and shall make such record available to the owner as soon as practicable: Provided that, if all such particulars are not known to the person in command of an aircraft and cannot readily be ascertained by him, he shall record and make available as aforesaid so many of such particulars as are readily ascertainable.

(3) Where any aircraft has been *bona fide* demised, let or hired out for a period exceeding fourteen days to any other person by the owner thereof, and no pilot, commander navigator or operative member of the crew of the aircraft is in the employment of the owner, the provisions of this section shall have effect as though for references to the owner there were substituted references to the person to whom the aircraft has been so demised, let, or hired out.

4. The Director shall keep in his Department:

(1) a separate record of births in the form in Appendix C to this Ordinance in which shall be recorded the particulars transmitted to him of births occurring in or over Nigeria in aircraft registered in Nigeria;

2. a separate record of deaths in the form in Appendix D to this Ordinance in which shall be recorded the particulars transmitted to him of death occurring in or over Nigeria in aircraft registered in Nigeria: and

3. a separate record in the form in Appendix E to this Ordinance of persons reported to him as missing persons.

Records to
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the Depart-
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Aviation.