Article 16

No foreign civil aircraft shall fly over, or land in the territory of the Republic of China without obtaining special permission from the Ministry of Communications.

Article 17

This Act shall apply to foreign civil aircraft and foreign civil air transport enterprises of a State which has concluded a bilateral agreement with the Republic of China regulating the rights of flight over, and the loading and unloading of passengers and cargo in certain designated districts of the territory of the Republic of China. Any such flight which does not come within the scope of this Act may be regulated in accordance with applicable international civil aviation treaties or agreements.

CHAPTER III—AIRCRAFT

Article 18

Any citizen, and the government and official organizations of the Republic of China may own private aircraft.

Article 19

The owner of an aircraft shall apply to the Ministry of Communications for registration. After investigation and approval, a certificate of registration shall be granted. Unless a certificate of registration has been cancelled the owner of a registered aircraft shall not apply to another State for registration. No aircraft registered in another State shall be registered in the Republic of China until the cancellation of the original registration is effected.

Article 20

The owner of an aircraft holding a certificate of registration shall apply to the Ministry of Communications for an examination of his aircraft; if the conclusion of the examination is satisfactory a certificate of airworthiness shall be issued.

Article 21

Any aircraft coming within the terms of one of the following paragraphs shall be deemed to be the aircraft of the Republic of China:

a) when it belongs to a citizen of the Republic of China; b) when it belongs to the central or local government agencies of the Republic of China;

c) when it belongs to a juridical person that has been established in accordance with the law of the Republic of China and which has its main office in the Republic of China. Such juridical person shall comply with one of the following provisions:

i. in the case of an unlimited company, all the shareholders

shall be citizens of the Republic of China;