

shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten years.

(2) Any person who while in any aircraft which is being used for the conveyance for reward of passengers or cargo, has in his possession any fire-arm or any dangerous weapon as defined in section *ten* of the General Law Amendment Act, 1949 (Act No. 54 of 1949), or any explosives as defined in section *one* of the Explosives Act, 1956 (Act No. 26 of 1956), without the permission of the pilot-in-command or the owner or any person acting under the authority of the owner of such aircraft, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding eight hundred rand or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year or to both such fine and imprisonment.

(3) Any person who falsely alleges that any other person is about to commit an offence in contravention of sub-section (1) or (2), shall be guilty of an offence and liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding four thousand rand or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding five years or to both such fine and imprisonment.

(4) For the purposes of sub-section (1) 'personnel' includes the pilot-in-command of and any other person assigned to duty on an aircraft."

14. Section *sixteen* of the principal Act is hereby amended by the deletion in sub-section (1) of the words "or of the rules made under that Convention,".

15. (1) Section *eighteen* of the principal Act is hereby amended—

(a) by the deletion in sub-section (1) of the words "proclamation or";

(b) by the substitution in sub-section (1) *bis* for the word "pilot" of the word "pilot-in-command"; and

(c) by the substitution for sub-section (2) of the following sub-section:

"(2) The provisions of this Act and of the Convention shall not apply to aircraft or aerodromes belonging to the Department of Defense or for the time being in use exclusively by the South African Defense Force, or to any person employed on or in connection with such aircraft or aerodromes, irrespective of whether such person is so employed in a military or civil capacity: Provided that the Minister, after consultation with the Minister of Defense, may by notice in the *Gazette* apply to any such aircraft, aerodromes or person any of the said provisions with or without modification."

(2) Any proclamation issued under sub-section (2) of section *eighteen* of the principal Act prior to the sub-

Amendment of section 16 of Act 16 of 1923, as amended by section 1 of Act 18 of 1950 and section 5 of Act 51 of 1955.

Amendment of section 18 of Act 16 of 1923, as amended by section 7 of Act 51 of 1955.