

CHAPTER 67

An Act to consolidate the enactments relating to civil aviation, other than the Carriage by Air Act, 1932, and other than the enactments relating to the constitution and functions of the Airways Corporations. [24th November 1949.]

BE it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

PART I

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

1.—(1) It shall be lawful for His Majesty to appoint a ^{Appointment} Minister of Civil Aviation¹ (in this Act referred to as “the ^{and functions} Minister”) who shall be charged with the general duty of ^{of Minister of} organising, carrying out and encouraging measures for the ^{Civil Aviation.} development of civil aviation, for the designing, development and production of civil aircraft, for the promotion of safety and efficiency in the use thereof, and for research into questions relating to air navigation:

Provided that this subsection shall not authorise the production of civil aircraft by the Minister.

(2) The acquisition and disposal of aircraft, aero-engines and aviation equipment in discharge of the Minister's said duty shall be subject to the approval of the Treasury.

2. The Minister shall take the oath of allegiance and the Oath of official oath, and the Promissory Oaths Act, 1868, shall have ^{allegiance and} effect as if the name of the Minister were included in the first ^{official oath.} Part of the Schedule to that Act.²

¹ Now: Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation: section is repealed so far as it relates to the appointment of a Minister of Civil Aviation. See the Transfer of Functions (Ministry of Civil Aviation) Order, 1953, S. I. 1953, No. 1204.

² Sections 2-4. Repealed by the Transfer of Functions (Ministry of Civil Aviation) Order, 1953, S. I. 1953, No. 1204.