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between

His Majesty's Government in the Union of South Africa and
the Government of the United States of America

respecting

Certificates of Airworthiness for Aircraft

Pretoria, October 12/December 1, 1931

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NOTES EXCHANGED BETWEEN THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA
AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PROVIDING FOR
THE RECIPROCAL ACCEPTANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF
AIRWORTHINESS FOR AIRCRAFT IMPORTED FROM THE
ONE COUNTRY INTO THE OTHER AS MERCHANDISE.

Pretoria, 1st December and 12th October, 1931.

The Minister of External Affairs to the American Minister.

*Department of External Affairs,
Pretoria,*

Sir,

1st December, 1931.

WITH reference to your letter No. 68 of the 12th October, 1931, regarding the arrangement between the Union of South Africa and the United States of America providing for the reciprocal acceptance by the competent authorities of the respective Governments of certificates of airworthiness for aircraft imported from the one country into the other as merchandise, I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty's Government in the Union of South Africa are in accord with the terms of the arrangement, which reads word for word as follows:—

- “ 1. The present arrangement applies to civil aircraft constructed in continental United States of America, exclusive of Alaska, and exported to the Union of South Africa; and to civil aircraft constructed in the Union of South Africa and exported to continental United States of America, exclusive of Alaska.
2. The same validity shall be conferred on certificates of airworthiness issued by the competent authorities of the Government of the United States in respect of aircraft subsequently registered in the Union of South Africa as if they had been issued under the regulations in force on the subject in the Union of South Africa provided that in each case a certificate of airworthiness for export has also been issued by the United States authorities in respect of the individual aircraft, and provided that certificates of airworthiness issued by the competent authorities of the Union of South Africa in respect of aircraft subsequently registered in the United States of America are similarly given the same validity as if they had been issued under the regulations in force on the subject in the United States.

3. The above arrangement will extend to civil aircraft of all categories, including those used for public transport and those used for private purposes.
4. The present arrangement may be terminated by either Government on sixty days' notice given to the other Government. In the event, however, that either Government should be prevented by future action of its legislature from giving full effect to the provisions of this arrangement it shall automatically lapse."

This arrangement will be operative from the date of this note.

I have, etc.

J. B. M. HERTZOG,
Minister of External Affairs.

The American Minister to the Minister of External Affairs.

*Legation of the United States of America,
Pretoria,*

Sir,

October 12th, 1931.

I HAVE the honor to communicate the text of the arrangement between the United States of America and the Union of South Africa providing for the acceptance by the one country of certificates of airworthiness for aircraft imported from the other country as merchandise, as understood by me to have been agreed to in the negotiations which have just been concluded between the Legation and your Ministry:—

- " 1. The present arrangement applies to civil aircraft constructed in continental United States of America, exclusive of Alaska, and exported to the Union of South Africa; and to civil aircraft constructed in the Union of South Africa and exported to continental United States of America, exclusive of Alaska.
2. The same validity shall be conferred on certificates of airworthiness issued by the competent authorities of the Government of the United States in respect of aircraft subsequently registered in the Union of South Africa as if they had been issued under the regulations in force on the subject in the Union of South Africa provided that in each case a certificate of airworthiness for export has also been issued by the United States authorities in respect of the individual aircraft, and provided that certificates of airworthiness issued by the competent authorities of the Union of South Africa in respect of aircraft subsequently registered in the United States of America are similarly given the same validity as if they had been issued under the regulations in force on the subject in the United States.

3. The above arrangement will extend to civil aircraft of all categories, including those used for public transport and those used for private purposes.
4. The present arrangement may be terminated by either Government on sixty days' notice given to the other Government. In the event, however, that either Government should be prevented by future action of its legislature from giving full effect to the provisions of this arrangement it shall automatically lapse."

If you inform me that it is the understanding of your Government that the arrangement agreed upon is as herein set forth, the arrangement will be considered to be operative from the date of the receipt of your note so advising me.

I have, etc.

RALPH J. TOTTEN,
*Envoy Extraordinary and Minister
Plenipotentiary of the United
States of America.*