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Texte officiel anglais communiqué par le Secrétaire général de l'Organisation de l'aviation civile internationale. L'enregistrement a eu lieu le 7 septembre 1949.

No. 562. EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF PAKISTAN AND BURMA REGARDING OPERATION OF AIR SERVICES BY ORIENT AIRWAYS, LTD., ON THE ROUTE CHITTAGONG-AKYAB-RANGOON. 20 SEPTEMBER, 17 OCTOBER AND 18 NOVEMBER 1947

I

Letter No. DS/88/47, dated 20th September, 1947, from the Masarrat Hussain Zuberi, Esquire, O.B.E., I.C.S., Deputy Secretary to Government of Pakistan, to the Chief Secretary to Government of Burma, Rangoon

I am directed to request you for permission of operation of the Chittagong-Akyab-Rangoon route by the Orient Airways, Limited. The Orient Airways, Limited were licensed by the Government of India for the operation of the Calcutta-Akyab-Rangoon route to which operation the Burma Government kindly then agreed. When in August 1947, the Government of India was divided into two sovereign independent Dominions of Pakistan and India, the Orient Airways, Limited became a Pakistan Company having shifted their registered office from Calcutta to Chittagong, a place within Eastern Pakistan territory. The request is necessitated by this technicality and merely means a continuation of the operation by Orient Airways, Limited as hitherto. Formal permission of the Dominion of India has also been requested for continued operation of Calcutta-Chittagong sector of the Calcutta-Chittagong-Akyab-Rangoon route.

2. It is requested that the concurrence of the Burma Government may kindly be intimated to this Government at a very early date.

¹ Came into force on 18 November 1947, by the exchange of the said notes.

II

Letter No. 352TC47(2287), dated the 17th October, 1947 from U. Soc Tint, I.C.S., Additional Secretary Transport and Communications Department, Rangoon, to the Deputy Secretary to the Government of Pakistan, Ministry of Communications, Karachi

With reference to your letter No. DS/88/47 dated the 20th September, 1947, on the above subject, I am directed to say that the Government of Burma are agreeable to allow the Orient Airways, Ltd. to operate a daily air service between Chittagong-Akyab-Rangoon until such time as a Burmese Company is in a position to operate it. The Government of Burma shall then require reciprocal commercial rights.

2. I am to add that the Government of Burma wish the Orient Airways, Ltd. to land *en route* at Akyab, pending the establishment of air services by a Burmese Company, when the Orient Airways landing at Akyab can be made optional.

3. I am to request the Government of Pakistan kindly to acknowledge their agreement to the proposal made in paragraph 1 above.

III

Letter No. AV-15/7-47, dated the 18th November, 1947, from Ministry of Communications, Government of Pakistan, Karachi, to Additional Secretary to the Government of Burma Transport and Communications Department, Rangoon

Sub.: Permission to the Orient Airways, Ltd., to operate daily air service on the Chittagong-Akyab-Rangoon route.

I am directed to refer to your letter No. 352TC(2287) dated the 17th October, 1947 in which the permission of the Government of Burma to the operation, by the Orient Airways, Ltd., of a daily air service on the Chittagong Akyab-Rangoon route has been communicated. I am to say that the Government of Pakistan also agree to your proposal to permit a Burmese Air Company to operate on the same route on reciprocal basis, when it may be in a position to do so.

2. In order to meet the wishes of the Burma Government the Orient Airways, Ltd. are being asked to make a regular landing at Akyab as desired by you in para 2 of the letter referred to.