

ARTICLE 15

Safety of Life at Sea and in the Air

The contracting Governments shall take appropriate measures to ensure the maintenance of an adequate radio service, operated or licensed by the Government for the safety of navigation by sea and air.

ARTICLE 16

Obligation of all Commercial Aircraft to carry Radio Equipment

The contracting Governments agree that:—

- (a) All aircraft when operating on International scheduled services and carrying passengers shall compulsorily be provided with radio apparatus, both sending and receiving, which must be in efficient operating condition and in charge of properly licensed operators; and
- (b) Aircraft used for the transportation of passengers on international scheduled services making journeys over the sea beyond seventy-five kilometers from any coast, shall be able to transmit and receive on the frequency of 500 kc/s. for the purpose of establishing emergency communication with stations in the marine radio service.

ARTICLE 17

Establishment of Aeronautical Radio Stations

The contracting Governments agree independently or in accord with neighbouring countries to take the steps necessary to establish a sufficient number of regional stations, operated or licensed by the Government, to furnish meteorological and safety information necessary for air traffic and aircraft guidance.

ARTICLE 18

Emergency Communications

Subject to the internal regulations of each country, any radio transmitting station, may, during a period of emergency in which normal communication facilities are disrupted as a result of hurricane, flood, earthquake or similar disaster, carry on emergency communication with points other than those normally authorized.

ARTICLE 19

Cultural Broadcasting

The contracting governments shall take the necessary measures in order to facilitate and promote the retransmission and exchange of international cultural, educational and historical programs of the countries of the American continent by their respective broadcasting stations.

ARTICLE 20

Press Transmissions to Multiple Destinations

The contracting Governments agree that:—

- (A) The respective governments shall encourage the rapid and economical transmission, dissemination and interchange of news and information among the nations of America;