

Title 14—AERONAUTICS AND SPACE

Chapter I—Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation

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PART 21—CERTIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR PRODUCTS AND PARTS

Issue of U.S. Airworthiness Certificates for Restricted Category Import Aircraft

The purpose of this amendment to § 21.185 of Part 21 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR's) is to provide for the issuance of airworthiness certificates for foreign manufactured aircraft that are type certificated in the restricted category under § 21.29 of the FAR's and imported into the United States.

Section 21.29 provides for the issuance of a U.S. type certificate for an aircraft that is manufactured in a foreign country with which the United States has an agreement for the acceptance of these products for export and import and that is to be imported into the United States. In general, these agreements with the various foreign countries extend to civil aircraft of all categories, and the FAA has recently issued a restricted category type certificate under § 21.29 for an airplane manufactured in a foreign country. However, § 21.185 of the FAR's, which governs the issue of airworthiness certificates for restricted category aircraft, clearly does not take into consideration aircraft type certificated under § 21.29 in the restricted category only. This has created no problem in the past, since the FAA has not previously been requested to type certificate an import aircraft in the restricted category

only. However, in view of the recent type certification action under § 21.29 for an airplane that has never been type certificated by the United States in any other category, a clarifying amendment to § 21.185 is necessary to further implement the existing agreements with the various foreign countries by providing for the issuance of airworthiness certificates for import aircraft type certificated in the restricted category only.

For the foregoing reasons, and since the amendment imposes no additional burden on any person, I find that notice and public procedures thereon are unnecessary and that good cause exists for making this amendment effective in less than 30 days.

In consideration of the foregoing, § 21.185 of Part 21 of the Federal Aviation Regulations is amended, effective June 23, 1970, by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

§ 21.185 Issue of airworthiness certificates for restricted category aircraft.

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(c) *Import aircraft.* An applicant for the original issue of a restricted category airworthiness certificate for an import aircraft type certificated in the restricted category only in accordance with § 21.29 is entitled to an airworthiness certificate if the country in which the aircraft was manufactured certifies, and the Administrator finds, that the aircraft conforms to the type design and is in a condition for safe operation.

(Secs. 313(a), 601, and 603, Federal Aviation Act of 1958; 49 U.S.C. 1354, 1421, and 1423; sec. 6 (c), Department of Transportation Act, (49 U.S.C. 1655(c))

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J. H. SHAFFER,
Administrator.

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