



Aviation Security Act 1982

CHAPTER 36

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- 4 In calculating value for any of the purposes of the...
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- 7 Any dispute arising under the relevant section or under this...
- 8 Provisions Relating to Compensation
- 9 In the application of this Schedule to Scotland—
- 10 In the application of this Schedule to Northern Ireland—
- 11 In this Schedule mortgage includes any charge or lien on...

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- 1 Where any period of time specified in or for the...

Past offences

- 2 This Act (and, in particular, the following provisions of this...

The Visiting Forces Act 1952

- 3 Section 3 of the Visiting Forces Act 1952, as amended...

The Protection of Aircraft Act 1973

- 4 Where before the commencement of this Act any land, building...

The Criminal Jurisdiction Act 1975

- 5 In paragraph 11 of Schedule 1 to the Criminal Jurisdiction...

The Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978

- 6

The Suppression of Terrorism Act 1978

- 7 For paragraphs 18 and 19 of Schedule 1 to the...

The British Nationality Act 1981

- 8 Until the commencement of the British Nationality Act 1981 section...

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