

3 September 1970

Mr. William F. Rickenbacker, President
Rickenbacker Report
Box 1000
Briarcliff Manor, New York 10510

Dear Mr. Rickenbacker:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 31 August 1970.

The purpose of the amendment to Part 47 of the Federal Aviation Regulations which brought into existence and use AC Form 8050-73 was to provide for obtaining updated knowledge as to the registration, eligibility, identification, and activity of an aircraft. At the time the rule was proposed, it was pointed out that many aircraft had been rendered ineligible for registration by reason of their registration in a foreign country, the aircraft having been totally destroyed or scrapped, the ownership having been transferred, the owner having lost his United States citizenship, or the death of the owner, and the FAA was never made aware of these facts. Accordingly, these aircraft remain on the registry as United States registered civil aircraft when, in fact, they are not. Since the implementation of this rule, it has been clearly shown that the situations mentioned above do exist in a large number of cases.

Section 47.44 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, which required submission of the forms, also included a provision in Subparagraph (c) that refusal or failure to submit Part 1, AC Form 8050-73, containing the required information, may be cause for suspension or revocation of the holder's Certificate of Aircraft Registration.

Insofar as the duration of a Certificate of Aircraft Registration is concerned, Section 47.41(a) of the Federal Aviation Regulations provides as follows:

- (a) Each Certificate of Aircraft Registration issued by the FAA under this subpart is effective, unless suspended or revoked, until the date upon which--

- (1) Subject to the Convention on the International Recognition of Rights in Aircraft when applicable, the aircraft is registered under the laws of a foreign country;
- (2) The registration is canceled at the written request of the holder of the certificate;
- (3) The aircraft is totally destroyed or scrapped;
- (4) Ownership of the aircraft is transferred;
- (5) The holder of the certificate loses his U.S. citizenship; or
- (6) 30 days have elapsed since the death of the holder of the certificate.

Accordingly, until one of the six situations set forth above occurs, or until such time as final enforcement action is taken, pursuant to the provisions of Section 47.44(c) of the Federal Aviation Regulations, a Certificate of Aircraft Registration remains effective.

We hope this satisfactorily answers your inquiry. If there are any further questions, please advise us.

Sincerely,

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JOSEPH T. BRENNAN

JOSEPH T. BRENNAN
Aeronautical Center Counsel, AC-7

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24 August 1970

Mr. William F. Rickenbacker, President
Rickenbacker Report
Box 1000
Briarcliff Manor, New York 10510

Dear Mr. Rickenbacker:

Your letter of 15 August 1970 addressed to Mrs. Swimmer of our Aircraft Registration Branch has been referred to this office for reply.

As requested, the records you mentioned will be made available to the appropriate branch of the Government when and if such a request is received.

Insofar as the certification whether an aircraft is registered in a foreign country is concerned, there was no intention to require an aircraft owner to conduct a personal investigation. It was the intention of the Federal Aviation Administration that the owner only certify that to the best of his knowledge the aircraft is not registered in a foreign country.

We hope this satisfactorily answers the question posed in your letter. If you have any other questions or if we can be of any further assistance to you in this matter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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RICKENBACKER REPORT

Box 1000, Briarcliff Manor, New York 10510

15 August 1970

Mrs. Virginia Swimmer
F. A. A.
P. O. Box 26045
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73126

Dear Mrs. Swimmer:

It appears that the Federal Government is interested in certain information that you are maintaining in your files concerning me and my aircraft.

This is your authorization to make that information available to the appropriate branches of the Government.

I have asked the Government to get in touch with you directly should the need arise for further investigation.

Meanwhile I await your instructions as to how to proceed with the research project on all the foreign aeronautical commissions.

Cordially yours,

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William F. Rickenbacker
President

15 August 1970

Internal Revenue Service Center
3651 S. Interregional Highway
Austin, Texas 78740

Gentlemen:

I enclose my check for \$25 in payment of the 1970-1971 federal tax on civil aircraft.

The information you desire on Form 4638 is maintained on Form 8050-73 (5-70). Please direct all such requests for information to my aeronautical statistical support office at the following address:

Mrs. Virginia Swimmer
F. A. A.
P. O. Box 26045
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73126.

I have advised Mrs. Swimmer that you may direct your inquiries to her concerning the statistical support program for this aircraft. She will be happy to make the records available to you. She is required to by law, and I pay her to do it.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance to you.

Cordially yours,



William F. Rickenbacker
President

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