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## FOREWORD

Since the publication of the 1940 edition of B.S. 185, very considerable developments have taken place in many branches of aeronautics, and many new terms have come into general use and need accurate definition. A thorough revision and extension of the standard therefore became necessary.

This edition is being issued in three parts. Part 1 (containing definitions 1101 to 7311) covers aircraft in general, aerodynamics and symbols. Part 2 (containing definitions 8101 to 10229) covers the field of power plant (including recent developments in gas-turbines and jet propulsion), propellers and auxiliary services. This part (Part 3) deals with navigation, parachutes, air traffic and ground organization, radiocommunication and meteorology.

The definitions given, while purporting to present the generally accepted meanings of the terms, shall not be regarded as taking the place of a specification.

The terms which are preferred are given in heavy type and alternative terms are given below the preferred terms in less prominent type. When the use of a term is considered definitely undesirable it is marked '*deprecated*.'

The general arrangement of the items in each sub-section, and in each group under a sub-section, is alphabetical. It has however been considered desirable, in certain cases, to bring related terms together under a heading or a general definition, and these terms are printed in a distinctive italic type.

As in the case of other British Standard glossaries each individual definition has assigned to it a 4- or 5- digit number. The first one (or two) digits (in the thousands place) represent the section. This section number with the following digit (in the hundreds place) represents the sub-section and the final two digits give the number of the individual item in the sub-section. Thus, definition 13212 is the twelfth definition of sub-section 132 which is in section 13.