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**Warehousing Charges**

Exceptionally, the Portuguese Administration is authorized to collect on all the mails transhipped at the port of Lisbon the warehousing charges prescribed by Article 74 of the Convention.

## XI

**Protocol Left Open to the Countries not Represented**

As Afghanistan and the Argentine Republic, which form part of the Postal Union, were not represented at the Congress, the Protocol remains open to them in order to adhere to the Convention and the Agreements there concluded, or only to one or other of them.

The Protocol also remains open, with the same object, to Paraguay, of which the delegate was obliged to absent himself before the Acts were signed.

## XII

**Protocol Left Open to the Countries Represented for Signatures and Adhesions**

The Protocol remains open to those countries whose representatives have to-day signed only the Convention, or only a certain number of the Agreements drawn up by the Congress, in order to permit them to adhere to the other Agreements signed this day, or to one or other of them.

## XIII

**Period for the Notification of Adhesions**

The adhesions referred to in Articles XI and XII above must be notified diplomatically to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland by the respective Governments, and by it to the States of the Union. The period allowed for this notification will expire on the 1st of July, 1930.

## XIV

**Preparatory Committee**

1. A Committee, composed of fourteen members representing the Offices elected by the majority of the votes of the Congress, and the Director of the International Bureau, is directed to prepare for the next Congress, in particular to consider the proposals made in view of that Congress, to compare them, to co-ordinate them, and to give its opinion on all the questions, finally to present a draft and a report suitable to serve as the basis of discussion at the Congress.

2. The Preparatory Committee is summoned by the International Bureau at a suitable time before the opening of the next Congress and the draft and report mentioned in the preceding paragraph are distributed to each Administration at least four months before the opening of the Congress.

3. The International Bureau provides for the secretarial work of the Committee.

In faith whereof the undermentioned plenipotentiaries have drawn up the present Protocol, which shall have the same force and validity as if the provisions which it contains were inserted in the text itself of the Convention to which it relates, and they have signed it in a single copy which shall remain in the Archives of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of which a copy shall be delivered to each party.

Done at London, the 28th of June, 1929.

(The signatures follow. They are the same as the signatures to the Convention.)