

2. The payment of compensation shall be based on the current price of a similar commodity in the place where and at the time when the parcel has been accepted for transportation.

3. In regard to insured parcels exchanged between those Administrations which agree to provide this type of service, the compensation shall not exceed the insured value.

4. In cases of damage to parcels, the offices of destination shall, immediately on arrival thereof, record the condition in which they have been received, particular attention being paid to the condition in which the seals and wrappers or containers have been found; the latter shall be forwarded to the office of origin accompanied by a copy of the record and the corresponding bulletin of verification, in addition to the vouchers.

The addressees shall be notified of such irregularities only in cases where this is prescribed by the domestic legislation of the country.

The same procedure shall be followed by the offices of origin in the case of returned parcels.

ARTICLE 9

Parcels Awaiting Delivery

1. The period during which parcels must be held at the disposal of the interested parties at the offices of destination is fixed at thirty days. This period may be increased to ninety days by agreement between the Administrations concerned, it being understood that in every case the return will be effected without consulting the sender.

2. By virtue of the above provisions the senders are obliged to mention on the dispatch note or on the Customs declaration what disposal they wish to be made of their parcels in case of non-delivery, they having the choice of three methods of disposal, as follows:

- (a) return of the parcel to the country of origin;
- (b) delivery of the parcel to another addressee;
- (c) abandonment of the parcel.

ARTICLE 10

Fraudulent Declarations

1. Where it has been proved that senders of parcels, acting alone or in agreement with the addressees, have made false statements as to the quality, weight or measure of the contents, or in any other way have attempted fraudulent practices against the fiscal interests of the country of destination by evading the payment of Customs duties, and, for that purpose, concealing or declaring articles in such a way as to reveal an evident intention of eluding the payment of or reducing the amount of said duties, the Administration concerned may dispose of these articles in accordance with its domestic legislation without either the sender or the addressee being entitled to delivery, return or compensation.

2. Any Administration confiscating a parcel as herein provided, shall notify the addressee and the Administration of origin.

ARTICLE 11

Parcels for Second Addressees

Senders of parcels addressed in care of banks or other institutions, for delivery to second addressees, shall enter on the tags, labels or wrappers thereof the full name and address of the persons for whom such parcels are intended. The second addressee shall, however, be informed of the arrival