

## XI

**Preferential Treatment Extended in the Case of Unforeseen Circumstances**

International air mail is entitled to preferential treatment during conveyance and delivery in the country of destination in cases where, due to unforeseen or uncontrollable circumstances, it cannot be conveyed to the said country by the aircraft on which it normally would be carried.

## XII

**Customs Clearance**

International dispatches carried by air shall enjoy preferential treatment in regard to customs regulations and other legal requirements, relating to importation and exportation, to be complied with in the exchange offices.

## XIII

**Delivery of Air Mail**

Air mail shall be delivered promptly to the addressees, said mail to be included in the first delivery which follows its arrival at the office of delivery.

## XIV

**Acknowledgment of Receipt**

1. Registered air mail, for which an acknowledgment of receipt has been requested at the time of mailing, shall bear on the address side the words "ACUSE DE RECIBO" (Acknowledgment of Receipt) or shall be stamped with the letters "A.R." by the office of origin.
2. When registered air mail, bearing the stamped impression "A.R." on the address side, is received at the office of destination, the latter shall forward the acknowledgment card before submitting the said mail to the usual treatment.
3. The acknowledgment of receipt shall be forwarded to the sender through the ordinary channels. The sender or the recipient may, however, request that the acknowledgment be forwarded by air mail, in which case he shall pay the proper surcharge, which shall be retained by the country concerned, without any special account being kept in that connection.

## XV

**Transportation Costs**

1. The intermediate Administration and the Administration of the country of destination participating in the air mail service shall be entitled to payment for transportation on the basis of the gross weight of the dispatches.
2. The transportation rates for air mail shall be fixed, per kilogram, by the Administration having jurisdiction over the services used; they shall be applied proportionately to fractions of one kilogram and subject to previous agreement with the transportation companies.

## XVI

**Cost of Transportation of Air Mail in Transit**

1. In regard to international air mail handled in transit by the countries of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain, the intermediate Administrations shall debit the Administrations of the countries of origin, solely in the case of closed dispatches, with the actual cost of transportation on the air lines over which they are reforwarded.