

Administrations on the basis of the cost relating to the transit which is incurred by the intermediate Administration.

3. As regards parcels originating in a third country and sent to one of the two countries through the other in open mail, the intermediate Administration shall pay to the Administration of destination the amount of credit fixed by mutual consent between the Administrations on the basis of the cost of handling in the service of the Administration of destination.

4. In cases where parcels are transported by the air service of the other country, the despatching Administration shall pay to the other Administration, as the cost of air transportation, the same amount as the maximum fixed by the Universal Postal Union.

ARTICLE 5

1. The Administrations may collect the amounts for the customs clearance fee, warehousing charge, and the other postal charges for the various services mentioned hereinafter in this Agreement, of which the amounts are not fixed clearly therein, within the limits of maximum amounts for these services prescribed in the Postal Parcels Agreement of the Universal Postal Union.

2. Where applicable, the customs clearance fee and warehousing charge prescribed by the preceding paragraph shall be cancelled in cases where parcels are returned to the country of origin or redirected to a third country.

ARTICLE 6

1. The sender or addressee of a parcel may request an inquiry about the disposal of the parcel upon payment of a fee which may be fixed by the Administration of origin or of destination within the period of one year counting from the day following that of posting.

2. The inquiry shall be forwarded and returned by the quickest available means. If an inquiry is to be made by telegraph, the cost of the telegram shall be collected in addition to the fee for the inquiry, and if the reply is to be sent by telegraph, the cost of the telegram for that reply.

ARTICLE 7

1. The Administrations are not responsible for the loss of ordinary parcels and the spoliation of or damage to their contents. The Administrations, however, shall make inquiry in cases which are submitted to them in connection with the loss, spoliation or damage.

2. The sender of a parcel shall be responsible for ensuring that it is securely packed in such a manner as to protect the contents from damage and to make it impossible to tamper with the contents without leaving an obvious trace of violation.