PROVISIONS REGARDING THE CONVEYANCE OF LETTER MAILS BY AIR

CHAPTER I

General Provisions

ARTICLE 1

Classes of Correspondence Admitted in the Air Mails

1. All the classes of correspondence indicated in Article 32 of the Universal Postal Convention are admitted to air conveyance, for the whole or part of the journey, viz., letters, single or reply-paid post-cards, commercial papers, printed papers of every kind (including matter printed in relief for the use of the blind), samples of merchandise, small packets, as well as postal money orders and subscribers' newspapers (abonnements-poste). In that case the articles are called "Correspondances-avion" (Air Mail Correspondence).

2. The articles mentioned in Article 32 of the Convention may be registered.

3. Insured articles—letters and boxes—may also be admitted to air conveyance in the relations between countries which agree to the exchange of such articles by air.

ARTICLE 2

Freedom of Transit

The freedom of transit prescribed by Article 25 of the Universal Postal Convention is guaranteed for Air Mail correspondence throughout the entire territory of the Union, whether or not the intermediate Administrations take part in re-transmitting the correspondence.

ARTICLE 3

Rates of Postage and General Conditions for the Acceptance of Air Mail Correspondence

1. Articles for transmission by Air Mail are prepaid, in addition to the ordinary postal charges, with a special Air Mail fee, the amount of which is fixed by the Administration of the country of origin; this fee must not exceed 25 centimes gold per 20 grammes per 1,000 kilometres of air conveyance.

2. On post-cards and money orders the maximum fee is 25 centimes gold

per article per 1,000 kilometres of air conveyance.

3. The fee for reply-paid post-cards is collected for each half separately at

the point of departure of each of these halves.

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4. The fees mentioned in § § 1, 2 and 3 of the present Article apply only to the services to which the tariff prescribed in Article 11, § 10, is applicable. They must be uniform for each country of destination.

(Article 11, § 11) may be increased, having regard to the extraordinary expendi-

ture which the use of these services occasions.

6. The fees must be paid before despatch. Except in the cases prescribed in Article 6, they may not be collected from the addressee.