

ARTICLE 13

Propositions in the interval between meetings

The present Agreement may be modified in the interval which transpires between Congresses, following the procedure established by the Convention of the Universal Postal Union in force.

In order to become effective, modifications must obtain:

- (a) Unanimity of votes, if it is a question of introducing new provisions or modifying the present Article or Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9.
- (b) Two-thirds of the votes, in order to modify the other provisions.

ARTICLE 14

Matters not provided for

1. All matters not provided for by this Agreement will be governed by the provisions of the Parcel Post Agreement of the Universal Postal Union and its Regulations of Execution.

2. However, the contracting Administrations may fix other details for the execution of the service, after previous agreement.

3. The right of the contracting countries to retain in force the regulatory procedure adopted for the execution of Conventions among themselves is recognized, provided that such procedure is not contrary to the provisions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 15

Effective date and duration of the Agreement

1. The present Agreement will become effective January 1, 1947, and will remain in force without time limit, each of the contracting parties reserving the right to denounce it by means of notice given by its Government to that of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay one year in advance.

2. The deposit of ratifications will be effected in the city of Rio de Janeiro, Republic of the United States of Brazil, as soon as possible. The relative certificate will be prepared in regard to the ratifications by each country, and the Government of Brazil will send a copy of the said certificate, through diplomatic channels, to the Governments of the other signatory countries.

3. The stipulations of the Parcel Post Agreement signed in Panama on December 22, 1936,¹ are abrogated, beginning with the date on which the present Agreement becomes effective.

4. In case that the Agreement is not ratified by one or more of the contracting countries, it will nevertheless be valid for the countries which have ratified it.

5. The contracting countries may ratify this Agreement provisionally, by correspondence, giving notice thereof to the respective Administrations through the medium of the International Office, without prejudice to the fact that, according to the legislation of each country, and after approval by the National Congresses, it may be confirmed through diplomatic channels.

In faith of which, the Plenipotentiaries of the countries enumerated sign the present Agreement in the city of Rio de Janeiro, United States of Brazil, on the 25th day of September, 1946.

(For the list of the signatory countries, see page 13).