

when it is a question of works in a single volume. However, articles with a weight greater than 5, but not exceeding 10 kilograms will be accepted even when it is not a question of works in a single volume, if previous agreement is made between the Administrations concerned.

2. Articles in roll form, when it is a question of indivisible objects, may measure as much as 120 centimeters, adding their length to the diameters of both bases, but the greatest dimension may not exceed 100 centimeters.

ARTICLE 13

Franking privilege

1. The contracting parties agree to grant the franking privilege, in their domestic service and in the Americo-Spanish service:

(a) To correspondence relative to the postal service exchanged between Administrations of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain; between these Administrations and the International Office of Montevideo; between the same Administrations and the Transfer Office of Panama; between the latter and the aforesaid International Office; between post offices of America-Spanish countries and between these offices and the Postal Administrations of the countries mentioned;

(b) To correspondence of members of the Diplomatic Corps of the signatory countries;

(c) To official correspondence which Consuls and Vice-Consuls acting as Consuls, send to their respective countries; to that which they exchange among themselves; to that which they address to the authorities of the country in which they are accredited, and to that which they exchange with their respective Embassies and Legations, whenever reciprocity exists;

(d) The franking privilege will be enjoyed by newspapers, periodical publications, books, pamphlets, and other prints sent by publishers or authors to Information Offices established by Postal Administrations of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain, as well as those sent free of charge to libraries and other national cultural centers officially recognized by the Governments of the countries forming this Union;*

(e) To official correspondence sent and received by the Pan American Union in Washington.*

2. The correspondence referred to by paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of the preceding Section may also be sent free of postage under registration, but without right to indemnity.

3. Official correspondence of the Central Governments of the countries of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain which circulates free in their domestic services under their domestic legislation is admitted to the same franking privilege in the country of destination without the collection of any charge therefor, whenever strict reciprocity is observed.*

4. The franking privilege will also be enjoyed by correspondence of National Commissions of Intellectual Cooperation set up under the auspices of the Governments in accordance with the Pan American and Universal Conventions in force.*

5. The exchange of correspondence of the Diplomatic Corps, between the Secretariats of State of the respective countries and their Embassies or Legations will have a reciprocal character among the contracting countries and will be effected in open mail or by means of diplomatic pouches, in accordance with the provisions of Article 105 of the Regulations of Execution. These pouches will enjoy the franking privilege and all safeguards of official dispatches.

*See Final Protocol of the Convention, Par. III on page 14.