

PART VIII

Miscellaneous Provisions

CHAPTER I

ARTICLE 172

Reply Coupons

1.—Reply coupons are identical with Form C 26 annexed. They are printed on paper bearing in watermark the letters U P U in large characters, under the supervision of the International Bureau which supplies them to Administrations at cost price.

2.—Each Administration has the option:

(a) of marking the coupons with a special perforation which does not prevent the reading of the text and is not of such a character as to hinder the checking of the coupons;

(b) of modifying, by hand or by a printing process, the selling price indicated on the coupons.

3.—The value of Reply Coupons is calculated at 35 centimes each in the liquidation accounts between Administrations.

4.—In the absence of other arrangements, the coupons exchanged are sent yearly and not later than three months after the end of the year to the Administrations which issued them, with a statement of their total number and value.

5.—As soon as two Administrations have agreed on the number of coupons exchanged between them, each draws up and forwards to the International Bureau a statement identical with Form C 27 annexed, indicating the debit or credit balance, if this balance exceeds 25 francs and if a special settlement has not been arranged between the two countries. If agreement cannot be reached within a period of six months, the creditor Administration prepares its liquidation account and forwards it to the International Bureau.

In the event of one only of the Administrations having furnished its statement, the entries of that Administration hold good.

The balance is included by the International Bureau in an annual liquidation account and payment is effected under the conditions prescribed in Article 171.

6.—When, in the relations between two Administrations, the yearly balance does not exceed 25 francs, the debtor Administration is exempt from all payments.

ARTICLE 173

Identity Cards

1.—Each Administration appoints the offices or services which issue Identity Cards.

2.—These cards are made out in the form indicated in Form C 28 attached. These forms are furnished at cost price by the International Bureau.

3.—The applicant must, at the time of application, hand in his photograph and prove his identity. Administrations take the necessary measures to ensure that cards shall only be issued after careful enquiry into the identity of the applicant.