- 3. If the search is fruitless, or if the packet has already been delivered to the addressee, or if the request by telegraph is not sufficiently explicit to admit of identification of the article with certainty, the fact is at once communicated to the office of origin, which informs the applicant accordingly. The same applies when Customs treatment has brought to light an irregularity.
- 4. Any Administration may request, by notification addressed to the International Bureau, that so far as it is concerned, requests shall be exchanged through the medium of its central Administration or of an office specially designated.
- 5. In cases where requests are exchanged through the medium of the central Administrations, requests sent directly by offices of origin to the offices of destination must be complied with to the extent that the correspondence concerned is withheld from delivery until the arrival of the request from the central Administration.
- 6. Administrations which avail themselves of the option accorded in § 4 bear the charges involved by the transmission, in their inland service, by post or telegraph, of the communications to be exchanged with the delivering office. The use of the telegraph service is obligatory when the sender has himself used it and the office of destination cannot be advised in time by post.

## ARTICLE 140.

## Applications in respect of Unregistered Articles.

- 1. Every application respecting an unregistered article must be made on a form identical with Form C 8 annexed\*, which must be accompanied, if possible, by a facsimile of the envelope or of the address of the article.
- 2. The office which receives the application forwards this form, without a covering letter and in a closed envelope direct to the corresponding office. This office, after having obtained the necessary information from the addressee or from the sender, as the case may be, returns the form in the same manner to the office which prepared it.
- 3. If the complaint proves to be well founded, this last office forwards the form to its central Administration for further investigation.
- 4. A single form may be used for several articles posted at the same time at the same office by the same sender to the same addressee.
- 5. Any Administration may request, by notification addressed to the International Bureau, that applications which concern its service shall be transmitted to its central Administration or to an office specially designated.
- 6. Form C 8 must be returned to the Administration of origin of the article in question in accordance with the conditions prescribed by Article 141, § 8 hereafter.

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## Applications in respect of Registered Articles.

1. Every application relating to a registered article is prepared on a form identical with Form C 9 annexed\* which must be accompanied, if possible, by a facsimile of the envelope or of the address of the article.

2. If the application concerns an article marked with a Trade Charge, it must be accompanied, in addition, by a duplicate money order form R 3 of the Agreement relating to the Cash on Delivery service or transfer note of the postal cheque account, as the case may be.

<sup>\*</sup> Not reproduced herein.