

Posting of Correspondence Abroad

No country is bound to forward, nor to deliver to the addressees, correspondence which the senders domiciled in its territory post or cause to be posted in a foreign country with the object of profiting by the lower rates in force there. The rule is applied without distinction both to correspondence made up in the country where the sender resides and then carried across the frontier, and to correspondence made up in a foreign country. The Administration concerned is empowered either to return to origin the articles in question, or to tax them at its inland rates. The method of collecting the charges is left to its discretion.

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Reply Coupons

Administrations have the right not to undertake the sale of reply coupons.

VI

Registration Fee

Countries which cannot fix at 40 centimes the registration fee prescribed by Article 54, § 2, of the Convention are authorized to charge a fee which may amount to 50 centimes or to the charge fixed for their inland service.

VII

Air Services

The provisions regarding the conveyance of letter mails by air are annexed to the Universal Postal Convention and are considered as forming an integral part of it and of its Detailed Regulations.

But, notwithstanding the general rules of the Convention, the modification of these provisions may be considered from time to time by a Conference composed of the representatives of the Administrations directly concerned.

This Conference may be summoned by the intermediary of the International Bureau at the request of at least three of these Administrations.

The whole of the provisions proposed by this Conference must be submitted, by the intermediary of the International Bureau, to the vote of the countries of the Union. The decision will be taken by a majority vote.

VIII

Special Transit Rates by the Trans-Siberian and the Transandine Railways

In modification of the provisions of Article 75, § 1 (Table), the Postal Administration of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics is authorised to collect transit rates for the Trans-Siberian Railway for both routes (Manchuria or Vladivostok) at the rate of Fr. 4.50 per kilogramme for letters and post-cards and Fr. 0.50 per kilogramme for other articles for distances exceeding 6,000 kilometres.

The Administration of the Argentine Republic is authorised to collect a fee of 30 centimes per kilogramme over and above the transit rates mentioned in Article 75, § 1 (1°) of the Convention, in respect of correspondence of all kinds forwarded in transit by the Argentine section of the Transandine Railway.