

## Article 10.

Instead of Articles 5 and 6, read "By the various Articles of the present Convention."

## Article 11.

Add the following paragraph :—

"The use of postage stamps issued with a special and particular end in view by the countries of issue, such as commemoration stamps with a transitory validity, is not permitted in the International Service."

Sec. 1.  
Germany.

Add the following :—

"Nevertheless, reply post-cards bearing postage stamps of the country in which these cards were issued, and the newspapers or packets of newspapers not provided with postage stamps, but which bear the superscription "*Abonnements Poste*" (*Subscription Post*), and which are sent under Article 19—"Arrangements for Subscription to Newspapers"—of the present Convention, are also considered as fully prepaid."

Sec. 1.  
Belgium.

Official correspondence relative to the Postal Service exchanged between Postal Administrations; between Administrations and the International Bureau, and between the Post Offices of the countries of the Union, are exempted from payment in ordinary postage stamps and from all liability to charge.

Sec. 2.  
Netherlands.

## Articles 12, 13, 14, and 15.

*Nil.*

## Article 16.

There shall not be forwarded commercial papers, printed papers, and samples, which do not comply with the conditions required for these classes of mail matter by Article 5 of the present Convention and Regulation 20.

Sec. 1.  
Belgium.

If occasion arise, these articles are returned to the country of origin and, if possible, to the sender.

Sec. 2.  
Belgium.

Add—

"Nevertheless, explosive, inflammable, or dangerous substances are not returned to the country of origin, but are destroyed on the spot by the Administration discovering their presence."

Sec. 4.  
Belgium.

## Article 17.

(1.) The offices of the Union having relations with countries not adhering to the Union should lend their assistance to all other offices of the Union for the transmission of correspondence "*à découvert*" to or from the said countries.

Substitute for  
Article 17,  
(Vienna)  
France.

(2.) With regard to the costs of transit for correspondence of all kinds and the responsibility for registered articles, such correspondence is dealt with as follows :—

For transit within the Union in accordance with the stipulations of the present Convention.

For transit to the countries situated beyond the limits of the Union in accordance with the conditions notified by the Office of the Union acting as intermediary.

Nevertheless the costs of sea transit, whether in or beyond the Union, may not exceed 20 francs per kilogramme for letters and post-cards, and 1 franc per kilogramme for other articles. These charges are divided between the offices assisting in the sea transit in proportion to the distance traversed.

The costs of transit of correspondence by sea or land, either within or beyond the limits of the Union, are ascertained in the same manner as the costs of transit of correspondence exchanged between countries of the Union.

(3.) The costs of transit of correspondence addressed to countries not adhering to the Union are charged to the office of origin which fixes the rates of postage for such correspondence. These rates may not be lower than the nominal rate of the Union.

(4.) The costs of transit for correspondence originating in countries not adhering to the Union are not charged to the country of destination. That office distributes without surcharge such correspondence as may be sent to it as fully prepaid; it taxes the unpaid correspondence with double the rate applicable in its own service to similar articles addressed to the country whence the said correspondence originates, and the insufficiently paid correspondence to double the deficiency; but the tax may not exceed that which is collected upon unpaid correspondence of the same nature, weight, and origin.

(5.) The correspondence despatched from a country of the Union to a country foreign to the Union, and *vice versa*, through the intermediary of an office of the Union, may be transmitted on either side in closed mails, if this mode of transmission be agreed to by offices of destination and origin of the mails with the consent of the intermediary office.

## Articles 18, 19, and 20.

*Nil.*