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² Traduction de l'Administration postale britannique.

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Having regard to Article 22, § 4 of the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union concluded at Vienna on the 10th July 1964⁽²⁾, the undersigned, Plenipotentiaries of the Governments of the Member Countries of the Union, have, by common consent and subject to the provisions of Article 25, § 3 of the Constitution, drawn up the following Agreement:

¹ Put into effect on 1 January 1966, in accordance with article 18. See following the Forms for the list of States which ratified, approved, or acceded to, the Agreement.

² See above in this volume.

CHAPTER I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1

Subject of the Agreement

1. Letters containing paper values or documents of value and boxes containing jewellery or other valuable articles may be exchanged between the contracting Countries, with insurance of the contents for the value declared by the sender.

2. These items are referred to by the name of "insured items", "insured letters" or, again, "insured boxes".

3. Participation in the exchange of insured boxes is limited to those contracting Countries which declare that they will undertake that service.

ARTICLE 2

Insured value

1. In principle, the amount of the insured value is unlimited.

2. Nevertheless every Administration has the option of limiting the insured value so far as it is concerned to an amount which may not be less than 10,000 francs.

3. In the service between Countries which have adopted different maxima, the lowest limit shall be observed mutually.

4. The insured value must not exceed the actual value of the contents of the item, but it is permissible to insure only part of that value; the amount of the insurance for papers representing a value because of the cost of their preparation must not exceed the cost of replacing the documents in case of loss.

5. Fraudulent insurance for a value greater than the actual value of the contents of an item is liable to the legal proceedings prescribed by the legislation of the Country of origin.

CHAPTER II

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION

ARTICLE 3

Conditions of weight and size

1. Insured letters are subject to the conditions of weight and size applicable to ordinary letters.

2. Insured boxes must not exceed 1 kilogramme in weight nor exceed 30 centimetres in length, 20 centimetres in breadth and 10 centimetres in depth.

3. Insured letters and boxes, the dimensions of which are smaller than the minima fixed for letters in Article 16, § 1 of the Convention¹, are not admitted.

¹ See above in this volume.