

No. 183

**UNITED NATIONS
and
SWITZERLAND**

**Agreement on the supply of official stamps to the European
Office of the United Nations at Geneva. Signed at Geneva,
on 14 September 1949**

French official text. The filing and recording took place on 27 October 1949.

**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
et
SUISSE**

**Arrangement pour la fourniture de timbres de service à
l'Office européen des Nations Unies, à Genève. Signé à
Genève, le 14 septembre 1949**

*Texte officiel français. Le classement et l'inscription au répertoire ont eu lieu
le 27 octobre 1949.*

TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION

No. 183. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND SWITZERLAND ON THE SUPPLY OF OFFICIAL STAMPS TO THE EUROPEAN OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS AT GENEVA. SIGNED AT GENEVA, ON 14 SEPTEMBER 1949

AGREEMENT

on the supply of official stamps to the European Office
of the United Nations, at Geneva,

concluded between

the Secretary-General of the United Nations,

represented by the Director of the European Office of the United Nations,

and

*the Directorate-General of the Swiss Postal, Telephone and
Telegraph Department*

(hereinafter referred to as the P.T.T.)

1

For the statutory franking of postal despatches sent by its Geneva headquarters, the European Office of the United Nations shall use exclusively Swiss postage stamps, which shall be sold to it by the regional postal administration (*direction d'arrondissement postal*) at Geneva.

2

The P.T.T. shall imprint upon postage stamps remitted to the European Office a surcharge designating them as the official stamps of the said office. The denominations of the surcharged stamps placed at the disposal of the United Nations shall be chosen in agreement with the United Nations.

¹ Came into force on 14 September 1949, as from the date of signature, in accordance with article 6.

3

The P.T.T. are prepared to consider the issue of stamps bearing a special engraving relating to the United Nations at such time as they deem suitable. Such engravings shall be chosen in agreement with the United Nations.

4

The P.T.T. may also sell United Nations official stamps, used or unused, to private persons (philatelists) for their collections. It shall be unlawful for such persons to use these stamps for franking purposes.

5

The P.T.T. shall cede to the United Nations 50 per cent of the net proceeds obtained from the sale of stamps to private persons. The net proceeds shall be deemed to mean the proceeds after deduction of manufacturing, printing and selling costs. The relevant accounts shall be drawn up at the beginning of each year for the sales made during the preceding year.

6

The present Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature. It may be terminated at any time on six months' notice given by either party.

DONE in duplicate.

For the Secretary-General
of the United Nations:
W. MODEROW

For the Director-General
of the Swiss Postal, Telephone
and Telegraph Department:
F. HESS

Geneva, 14 September 1949

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