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The Government of Japan and the Government of New Zealand (hereinafter referred to as the "Contracting Parties"), desiring to improve the parcel post service between their two countries, have agreed upon the following provisions :

*Article 1*

EXCHANGE OF POSTAL PARCELS

There shall be a regular exchange of postal parcels (hereinafter called "parcels"), both insured and uninsured, by sea and air routes between Japan and New Zealand. The exchange shall be effected per medium of such Exchange Offices as may be respectively determined by the Postal Administrations of the Contracting Parties (hereinafter called the "Administrations").

*Article 2*

TRANSIT OF PARCELS

1. Each Administration guarantees the right of transit through its postal service, in closed or open mail, to or from any country with which it has parcel post communication, of parcels originating in or addressed for delivery in the postal service of the other Administration.

2. Parcels sent in transit in open mail shall be subject to the provisions of the present Agreement and to such conditions as the intermediate Administration imposes in respect of the exchange of parcels between its own service and that of the postal administration of the third country concerned.

3. Parcels sent in transit in closed mail shall be subject to such conditions as may be specially agreed upon by the Administrations.

*Article 3*

APPLICATION OF THE PARCEL POST AGREEMENT OF THE UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION

Except where they are inconsistent with the provisions of the present Agreement, the provisions of the current Parcel Post Agreement of the Universal

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 1 August 1963, the date agreed upon by the Contracting Parties, in accordance with article 11.

Postal Union<sup>1</sup> and of the Regulations for the execution of that Agreement shall apply to the exchange of parcels between Japan and New Zealand.

#### *Article 4*

##### UNAVAILABLE SERVICES

The following services shall not be available to parcels exchanged between the Administrations :

- (a) Withdrawal from the post, alteration of address, and delivery free of charges requested after the posting of a parcel;
- (b) Advice of delivery service for uninsured parcels;
- (c) Services accepting sender's instructions at the time of posting concerning despatch of advice of non-delivery, or concerning sale at the entire risk of the sender.

#### *Article 5*

##### WEIGHT AND DIMENSIONS

1. Parcels shall not exceed 1.05 metres in length; and the sum of the length and of the greatest circumference measured in a direction other than that of the length shall not exceed 1.80 metres.
2. Parcels shall not exceed 10 kilogrammes in weight.

#### *Article 6*

##### POSTAGE

1. The postage on parcels shall be composed of the sum of the territorial, sea or air rates due to the Administrations (including, in the case of transit, the postal administration of the third country concerned) taking part in the conveyance of the parcels.
2. The postage referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be prepaid except in the cases of redirected or returned parcels.

#### *Article 7*

##### TERRITORIAL, SEA AND AIR RATES

1. The territorial rates levied by each Administration shall be fixed by mutual consent between the Administrations on the basis of the cost of handling and territorial conveyance in its postal service.

<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, Vol. 365, p. 3.

2. The sea rates levied by each Administration shall be the total amount of the cost of sea conveyance between its postal service and that of the other Administration, including any special costs incurred by the Administration of origin in respect of that conveyance.

3. The air rates levied by each Administration shall be computed in accordance with the basic rate and measures specified in the current Parcel Post Agreement of the Universal Postal Union.

### *Article 8*

#### INSURED PARCELS

1. The maximum insured value of parcels shall be 3,500 francs each. However, the Administrations may, by agreement, fix the limit of insured value at a figure exceeding 3,500 francs.

2. In respect of insured parcels, the Administration of origin shall credit the Administration of destination with a share of the insurance fee. This share shall be fixed, for each 200 francs or fraction of 200 francs of the insured value of the parcels, at :

- 5 centimes for land conveyance;
- 10 centimes for sea conveyance.

### *Article 9*

#### OTHER CHARGES

1. Each Administration may collect, if necessary, the following charges in addition to the postage referred to in Article 6 of the present Agreement :

- (a) Customs clearance charge;
- (b) Delivery charge;
- (c) Repacking charge;
- (d) Storage charge;
- (e) Advice of delivery charge;
- (f) Enquiry charge;
- (g) Redirection charge;
- (h) Return charge;
- (i) Insurance fee;
- (j) Express charge;
- (k) Charge for delivery free of charge;
- (l) Charge for cash on delivery.

2. The charges in respect of the services referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article shall be fixed within the limits of the maximum amounts for those services specified in the current Parcel Post Agreement of the Universal Postal Union.

### *Article 10*

#### MEASURES OF DETAIL

The Administrations may decide, by mutual arrangement, all measures of detail necessary to ensure the proper implementation of the present Agreement.

### *Article 11*

#### ENTRY INTO FORCE AND DURATION OF AGREEMENT

The present Agreement shall be approved by each Contracting Party in accordance with its legal procedures, and shall enter into force on a date mutually agreed upon by the respective competent authorities of the Contracting Parties. It shall remain in force thereafter until the expiration of six months from the date on which either Contracting Party has given written notice to the other Contracting Party of its desire to terminate the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed the present Agreement.

DONE at Tokyo, in duplicate, in the Japanese and English languages, both texts being equally authentic, this fifteenth day of March, 1963.

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of Japan :  
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