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**CANADA
ET ÉTAT LIBRE D'IRLANDE**

Arrangement relatif à l'échange des colis postaux entre les Administrations postales du Canada et de l'Etat libre d'Irlande. Signé à Dublin, le 11 octobre, et à Ottawa, le 12 novembre 1924.

**CANADA
AND IRISH FREE STATE**

Memorandum of Agreement relating to Parcel Mails to be exchanged between the Postal Administrations of Canada and of the Irish Free State. Signed at Dublin, October 11, and at Ottawa, November 12, 1924.

No. 1340. — MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT RELATING TO PARCEL
MAILS TO BE EXCHANGED BETWEEN THE POSTAL ADMINIS-
TRATIONS OF CANADA AND OF THE IRISH FREE STATE. SIGNED
AT DUBLIN, OCTOBER 11, AND AT OTTAWA, NOVEMBER 12, 1924.

*Texte officiel anglais communiqué par le représentant de l'Etat libre d'Irlande à la Société des Nations.
L'enregistrement de cet accord a eu lieu le 30 octobre 1926.*

1. There shall be admitted to the mails exchanged parcels of merchandise and mail matter of all kinds — except letters, postcards and written matter — up to a limit of 11 pounds in weight per parcel.

2. The following rates of postage shall, in all cases, be required to be fully prepaid with post ag stamps of the country of origin, *viz.*

Irish Free State :

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| For parcels up to 3 lbs. | 2s. od. |
| For parcels from 3 lbs. to 7 lbs. | 3s. 9d |
| For parcels from 7 lbs to 11 lbs | 5s. 3d. |

Canada :

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| lbs. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| cts. | 32 | 43 | 54 | 77 | 88 | 99 | 1.10 | 1.31 | 1.42 | 1.53 | 1.64 \$ |

3. The offices of exchange will be Montreal during the summer and St. John and Halifax during the winter months for steamers calling at the respective ports, and Dublin in the Irish Free State.

4. Each parcel posted in the Irish Free State and Canada shall be accompanied by a Customs declaration.

5. Parcels shall be despatched in receptacles supplied by the Administration of the country of origin. The receptacles shall be returned empty by the Administration of the country of destination.

6. Each despatch of parcel post mail must be accompanied by a parcel post bill prepared by the despatching office of exchange for the receiving office of exchange. One copy of this bill shall be enclosed in one of the bags comprising the despatch, and the duplicate of the copy shall be sent under separate registered cover to the receiving office of exchange.

Uninsured parcels shall be advised in bulk and unpaid, re-directed, returned, or insured parcels in detail.

These parcel post bills shall be numbered consecutively commencing with number 1 of the first despatch of each year, the number of the last statement of the year shall be quoted on the

first statement for the following year, in order that statements missing between the two series may be detected.

7. Each country shall provide for the sea conveyance of the parcels originating within its territory.

The Post Office of Canada shall pay to the Post Office of the Irish Free State the following land transit charges :

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| For parcels up to 3 lbs. | 10 d. |
| For parcels from 3 lbs. to 7 lbs. | 1 s. 4 d. |
| For parcels from 7 lbs. to 11 lbs. | 1 s. 9 d. |

The Post Office of the Irish Free State shall pay to the Canadian Post Office a land transit charge as follows :

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| For parcels up to 3 lbs. | 10 d. |
| For parcels from 3 lbs. to 7 lbs. | 1 s. 4 d. |
| For parcels from 7 lbs. to 11 lbs. | 1 s. 9 d. |

Account of these charges shall be rendered quarterly and shall be prepared in duplicate by the country in whose favour the balance stands. The settlement of the account shall be effected through the regular Money Order accounts.

8. A parcel which cannot be delivered shall be returned to the sender at his expense without previous notification, unless it is requested at the time of posting that it is to be delivered to a second given address or treated as abandoned if undeliverable.

9. There shall be no advice of delivery service in connection with insured or uninsured parcels delivered in Canada.

10. The Postal Administration of either the Irish Free State or Canada will not be responsible for the loss or damage of any uninsured parcel and no indemnity can consequently be claimed by the sender or addressee in either country in respect of such loss or damage.

11. Except in cases beyond control and in the cases hereinafter provided for, indemnity shall be paid to the sender, or, at the sender's request, to the addressee, for the loss, rifling or damage of insured parcels exchanged by the direct parcel post service between the Irish Free State and Canada while in the custody of the postal service not to exceed the actual loss suffered or the amount of insurance covered by the fee paid.

12. Each country shall be responsible for insured parcels lost in its own service.

13. The limit of insurance value shall be \$ 100.

14. The insurance fees shall be fixed by the country of origin in respect to parcels despatched.

15. The country of origin shall allow the country of destination an insurance land credit of 1 cent for each insured parcel despatched.

16. The insurance number and the name of the office of origin of each parcel shall be entered on lists to accompany each parcel post despatch.

17. A certificate of posting, bearing thereon a receipt for the insurance fee, must be obtained by the person posting the parcel.

18. Parcels containing any of the following goods or articles may not be accepted for insurance :

Eggs, fresh meat, glass, crockery, gramophone records, semi-liquids, liquids, grease, bank notes, coin, bullion, gold dust, jewellery, bonds, coupons or securities, precious stones or any articles of an exceptionally fragile or perishable nature.

19. Compensation will not be given for damage sustained by a parcel which has been delivered without external trace of injury and has been accepted by the addressee.

20. Application for indemnity must be made within six months of the date of posting of the parcel and the insurance receipt must accompany the claim in every case.

21. Compensation will not be given when the loss or damage has been caused by the fault or negligence of the sender or arises from the nature of the article.

22. Compensation will not include indirect loss or loss of profits nor will it include the postage or the insurance fee paid.

23. The above Arrangements will remain in force for an indefinite period. They may be terminated by mutual consent or by either one of the two Postal Administrations giving notice at least three months in advance of its intention to bring this service to an end.

Seamus BREATHNACH,
*Minister for Posts and Telegraphs,
Irish Free State.*

DUBLIN, *October 11, 1924.*

Charles MURPHY,
Postmaster General of Canada.

OTTAWA, *November 12, 1924.*

It is hereby certified that the
enclosed copy of the above described
Agreement is true and complete in every respect
(Signed) *Secretary.*

*Department of Posts and Telegraphs
of the Irish Free State.*
