EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations, which are made under the Police (Scotland) Act, 1956, amend the Special Constables (Pensions) (Scotland) Order, 1955, the Special Constables (Pensions) (Scotland) Order, 1950, and the Special Constables (Pensions) (Scotland) Order, 1949, which gave to special constables and their dependants certain pension benefits for which members of police forces and their dependants were eligible. Regulation 1 amends the Order of 1955, which relates to awards made on and after 9th May, 1955; Regulation 2 amends the Order of 1950, which relates to awards made between 16th May, 1950, and 9th May, 1955, and Regulation 3 amends the Order of 1949, which relates (as regards dependants) to awards made before 16th May, 1950.

The Police Pensions (Scotland) Regulations, 1958, provided for larger discretionary increases in awards made to widows and children of members of police forces and adjusted the extent of the abatement of a widow's pension by a national insurance widowed mother's allowance. These Regulations make similar provision in relation to awards to widows and children of special constables.

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We, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by virtue of the powers given to us by sections 5, 8, 10, 11, 15 and 81 of the Post Office Act, 1953(a) and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant, made on the representation of Her Majesty's Postmaster-General (testified by his signing the same), and under the hands of two of us the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows:—

PART I

INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION

Interpretation

1.—(1) In this Warrant, except so far as the contrary is provided or the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:

"the Act" means the Post Office Act, 1953;

"air parcel" means an outgoing parcel conveyed or intended to be conveyed at the request of the sender through any part of its course in the post by an air mail service;

"bullion" means uncoined and unmanufactured metal;

"cash on delivery parcel" means a parcel upon which, in accordance with a postal arrangement, the Postmaster-General or the Postal Administration of a country or place outside the British postal area undertakes at the request of the sender to secure the collection of a sum of money (in this Warrant referred to as a "trade charge") on his behalf from the addressee of the parcel as a condition of delivery and upon which the sender has paid the fee for the cash on delivery service;

"coin" means coin whether or not current in the British postal area or elsewhere, except such as is used or designed for purposes of ornament;

"customs duty" includes purchase tax;

"incoming" means received at a post office in the British postal area through the post;

(a) 1 & 2 Eliz. 2. c. 36.

" jewellery " means:—

(*a*) gold, silver or platinum or other precious metal in a manufactured state (that is to say, a state in which value is added to the raw material by skilled workmanship), and in this definition are included any coins used or designed for purposes of ornament;

(*b*) diamonds and precious stones;

(*c*) watches, the cases of which are entirely or mainly composed of gold, silver or platinum or other precious metal; and

(*d*) any article of a like nature which, apart from workmanship, has an intrinsic or marketable value;

" letter " includes any communication in the nature of current and personal correspondence;

" member of the armed forces of the United Kingdom or of any other Commonwealth country " and " member of the armed forces of any State allied with the United Kingdom " include a member of any auxiliary service of such respective forces, and a person attached to such respective forces (although not a member thereof) who is permitted to use a forces address;

" outgoing " means posted in the British postal area;

" parcel " means a postal packet which is posted as a parcel in accordance with the provisions of this Warrant or any Warrant amending or replacing the same, or is received at a post office in the British postal area from abroad by parcel post;

" postal arrangement " means an arrangement made by Her Majesty or by the Postmaster-General with respect to the conveyance by post of parcels between the British postal area and places outside that area, or between places outside that area, whether through that area or not;

" postal form " means a form issued by or under the authority of the Postmaster-General;

" prescribed " means prescribed by the Postmaster-General;

" trade charge " has the meaning assigned to it in the foregoing definition of " cash on delivery parcel ".

(2) Any reference in this Warrant to the provisions of any enactment warrant or regulations shall be construed, unless the context otherwise requires, as a reference to those provisions as amended re-enacted or replaced by any subsequent enactment warrant or regulations.

(3) The Interpretation Act, 1889(a), applies to the interpretation of this Warrant as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Application

2. The provisions of this Warrant shall, except as provided in regulation twenty-three or as otherwise expressed, apply exclusively to:—

(*a*) parcels transmitted by post in either direction between the British postal area and a country or place (other than the Republic of Ireland) outside the British postal area, being parcels in respect of which a postal arrangement has been made; and

(*b*) parcels transmitted by post from the British postal area to a British Forces' Post Office outside the British postal area, or to a ship of the Royal Navy outside the territorial waters of the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, whether or not such parcels are addressed " c/o G.P.O. London ".

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

PART II

RATES OF POSTAGE AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

Rates of postage

3.—(1) There shall be charged and paid on outgoing parcels (except air parcels) such rates of postage as the Postmaster-General may fix not exceeding sixty shillings per parcel up to a maximum weight of twenty-two pounds.

(2) There shall be charged and paid on outgoing air parcels such rates of postage as the Postmaster-General may fix not exceeding forty shillings per pound or twenty shillings per half pound or fractional part of a pound or half pound (as the case may be) up to a maximum weight of twenty-two pounds.

(3) The Postmaster-General shall publish from time to time in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes or in such other manner as he may determine the several rates of postage payable under this Warrant, and in any proceeding relating to the postage payable in respect of parcels transmitted under this Warrant, the production of a copy of the Gazette stating the rate in question shall be conclusive evidence that such rate is the postage for the time being payable as aforesaid.

(4) The rates of postage in respect of outgoing parcels to which this Warrant applies which have been fixed and published under regulation four of the British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Warrant, 1950(**a**) shall continue in force until superseded by rates fixed under this regulation, and shall take effect as if they had been fixed and published under this regulation.

Prohibitions

4.—(1) Save as the Postmaster-General may either generally or in any particular case allow, there shall not be conveyed or delivered by post any parcel whereof the sending is prohibited by subsection (1) of section eleven of the Act.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this Warrant, there shall not be posted or conveyed or delivered by post any parcel :—

(*a*) containing:

(i) opium, morphine, cocaine, or other narcotic:

Provided that such narcotics may be sent for medical or scientific purposes to countries which admit them when sent for those purposes by parcel post ;

(ii) any living creatures, other than bees, leeches and silkworms ;

(iii) anything which by the law of the country or place in which the parcel is posted or to which it is addressed or of any country or place through which it may pass, it is unlawful respectively to send, import or convey by parcel post ;

(iv) save as the Postmaster-General may either generally or in any particular case allow, coin or gold bullion exceeding £5 in value, or silver bullion or silver partly manufactured exceeding £50 in value ;

(v) any imitation of a bank note within the meaning of section thirty-eight of the Criminal Justice Act, 1925(**b**) ;

(**a**) S.I. 1950/1200 (1950 II, p. 367). (**b**) 15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. 86.

(*b*) containing or bearing any fictitious stamp (not being a fictitious stamp which is authorised to be made by or under Post Office regulations) or any counterfeit impression of a stamping machine used under the direction or by the permission of the Postmaster-General, or any counterfeit of any other impression authorised by or under this Warrant to be used for the prepayment of postage or fees ;

(*c*) containing or having thereon any letter, except so far as may be permitted by the relative postal arrangement ;

(*d*) having thereon, or on the cover thereof, any words, letters or marks (used without due authority) which signify or imply, or may reasonably lead the recipient thereof to believe, that the parcel is sent on Her Majesty's service ;

(*e*) of such a form or colour or so made up for transmission by post as to be likely in the opinion of the Postmaster-General to embarrass the officers of the Post Office in dealing with the parcel ;

(*f*) having anything written, printed or otherwise impressed upon or attached to any part of the parcel which, either by tending to prevent the easy and quick reading of the address of the parcel or by inconvenient proximity to the stamp or stamps used in the payment of postage or fees, or in any other way, is in itself, or in the manner in which it is written, printed, impressed or attached, likely in the opinion of the Postmaster-General to embarrass the officers of the Post Office in dealing with the parcel ;

(*g*) purporting to be prepaid with any stamp or impression of a stamping machine, or with any other impression authorised by or under this Warrant to be used for the prepayment of postage or fees, which has been previously used to prepay the postage or fees on any other postal packet or any other Revenue duty or tax ;

(*h*) consisting of or containing two or more parcels or other postal packets (of the same or of different descriptions) addressed to different persons who are at different addresses.

Packing

5. Every parcel shall be made up and secured in such manner as in the opinion of the Postmaster-General is calculated to preserve the contents from loss or damage in the post, to prevent any tampering with the contents, and to prevent injury to any other postal packet in course of conveyance, or to any receptacle in which the same is conveyed, or to an officer of the Post Office or other person who may deal with such packet.

Limits of weight and size

6. Except by permission of the Postmaster-General, there shall not be posted, conveyed, or delivered by post any parcel the length of which exceeds three feet six inches or the combined length and girth of which exceeds six feet (the girth to be measured round the thickest part) or the weight of which exceeds twenty-two pounds or such lesser length, combined length and girth, or weight as shall be prescribed with reference to parcels for particular countries or places.

Fees for customs clearance

7. Where an incoming parcel contains any article liable to customs duty, and the Postmaster-General so directs, there shall be charged and paid by the addressee if the parcel shall be delivered to him the further fee of one shilling where the duty does not exceed ten shillings, or the further fee of two shillings where the duty exceeds ten shillings.

Posting

8.—(1) All outgoing parcels shall be posted: (*a*) by being handed to an officer on duty at the counter of a post office designated by the Postmaster-General for that purpose, on the days and within the hours during which such office shall be open to the public for the posting of parcels, or (*b*) (in circumstances in which the Postmaster-General permits that mode of posting) by being handed to an officer of the Post Office for the time being authorised to receive parcels for the post otherwise than as aforesaid.

(2) Every outgoing parcel shall bear the name and full address of the addressee.

(3) The sender of an outgoing parcel shall fill up a despatch note in a prescribed form if required so to do, and shall fill up such customs declarations, certificates and other documents respecting the contents of the parcel as may be required by law or as the Postmaster-General may direct.

Payment of Postage and Fees

9.—(1) Except as the Postmaster-General may otherwise direct, and subject to the provisions of this Warrant, the postage and fees payable on every outgoing parcel shall be prepaid.

(2) The provisions of this Warrant with reference to prepayment of postage and fees shall not apply to postage and fees payable on parcels with respect to which the Postmaster-General has entered into an arrangement with the senders thereof for the grant of credit facilities.

(3) Postage or fees payable under this Warrant may be prepaid:—

(*a*) by adhesive postage stamps;

(*b*) by impressions of stamping machines working under the direction or by the permission of the Postmaster-General;

(*c*) by the use of an embossed or impressed stamp cut out of or otherwise detached from an envelope, cover, postcard, or other postal form, or

(*d*) in such other manner as the Postmaster-General may from time to time permit.

(4) No stamp or impression of a stamping machine which is imperfect or mutilated or defaced in any way, or across which anything is written or printed or otherwise impressed, shall be used in payment or to denote payment of postage or fees, but a stamp shall not be deemed to be imperfect or mutilated or defaced within the meaning of this provision by reason only that it is distinctively perforated with initials by means of a punch if the perforating holes are not larger than those dividing one stamp from another in a sheet of stamps.

(5) No stamp indicating on the face thereof payment of a registration fee (with or without postage) shall be used in payment of postage or fees on any uninsured parcel.

(6) Parcels bearing the impression of stamping machines or intended for impression by stamping machines, and parcels on which the postage is prepaid by a printed impression, or by an impression made by any other process authorised by the Postmaster-General, shall be accepted only at such post offices, within such hours, and under and subject to such conditions and restrictions as the Postmaster-General may consider appropriate.

(7) The stamp or impression in payment of postage or fees shall be placed in such position on the parcel as the Postmaster-General may consider appropriate.

Treatment of Irregular Parcels

10.—(1) Except as otherwise provided in this Warrant, any parcel which is found when in the post not to comply with a provision of the law of the country or place in which the parcel was posted or to which it is addressed or of any country or place through which it may pass, or not to be accompanied by a document required by any such provision, or to have been posted otherwise than in accordance with paragraph (1) of regulation eight, may be either detained or returned or given up to the sender, or dealt with or disposed of in such other manner as the Postmaster-General may think fit.

(2) Any incoming parcel which is found when in the post not to comply with the provisions of sub-paragraph (*h*) of paragraph (2) of regulation four of this Warrant may if the Postmaster-General thinks fit be delivered to the addressee subject to such charge as the Postmaster-General may fix in the particular case, not exceeding the total charges which would have been payable in respect of the separate parcels or other postal packets contained therein if they had been posted singly without prepayment of postage in the British postal area addressed to the country or place of origin of the parcel.

Delivery

11.—(1) Subject to the following paragraphs of this regulation, there shall be charged on an incoming parcel and paid by the addressee on its delivery the amount of any deficient postage and any fees and charges which are payable in respect of the parcel under the law or regulations of any part of the British postal area or any country or place from or through which the parcel has been transmitted but have not been paid.

(2) Where the sums due in respect of an incoming parcel or two or more incoming parcels addressed to the same addressee amount to more than £10, the Postmaster-General may give notice to the addressee of the arrival thereof and before delivery is effected require the addressee to pay the amount due within such period and at such office as shall be specified in the notice.

(3) Where an outgoing parcel is received back from a country or place outside the British postal area for return to the sender in accordance with the relative postal arrangement, paragraphs (1) and (2) of this regulation shall apply in respect of the parcel as if references therein to the addressee were references to the sender; and the sender shall pay in addition postage in respect of the return transmission at such rate and such other charges as the Postmaster-General may consider appropriate having regard to the terms of the relative postal arrangement.

(4) The Postmaster-General may withhold any parcel from delivery until all sums due thereon have been paid.

Undeliverable parcels

12.—(1) Subject to the following paragraphs of this regulation, an incoming parcel which cannot be delivered, and an outgoing parcel which is received back from a country or place outside the British postal area for return to the sender in accordance with the relative postal arrangement and which cannot be returned to the sender, may be dealt with or disposed of as the Postmaster-General may think fit.

(2) Where an incoming parcel cannot be delivered as originally addressed, and in accordance with the relevant postal arrangement the sender has furnished the name and address within the British postal area of a substituted addressee, and the parcel is forwarded to the substituted address, there

shall be charged on the parcel on its delivery all such sums as are referred to in paragraph (1) of regulation eleven, and the following additional postage :

(*a*) if the parcel does not exceed the limit of weight applicable to inland parcels, the postage at the Inland rate chargeable on a parcel of the same weight ;

(*b*) if the parcel exceeds the said limit of weight, such sum not exceeding seven shillings as the Postmaster-General may consider appropriate.

(3) Where an incoming parcel cannot be delivered within such time as the Postmaster-General may consider reasonable, or delivery of it is refused, and subsequently the sender or the addressee requests that the parcel should be delivered, the Postmaster-General may if he thinks fit comply with such request ; and in that event there shall be charged on the parcel and paid by the addressee on its delivery all such sums as are referred to in paragraph (1) of regulation eleven (including any further charge incurred if the parcel has already been returned to the country or place of origin), and the additional postage referred to in paragraph (2) of this regulation.

Air parcels

13.—(1) An air parcel shall bear an " Air Mail " label affixed close to the address (or to each address if the parcel is addressed in more than one place).

(2) A parcel shall be transmissible as an air parcel only if it is addressed to any such country or place as may from time to time be prescribed.

PART III

POSTAL FACILITIES

General

14. The postal facilities referred to in this Warrant may be provided by the Postmaster-General at such times, during such periods, at such post offices, in such circumstances, and on such conditions (not being inconsistent with the provisions of this Warrant) as the Postmaster-General may from time to time consider expedient.

Express delivery

15. Upon every outgoing parcel marked with the word " Express " or with such other words as may indicate the desire of the sender that the postal packet may be delivered by special messenger (which word or words are hereinafter referred to as an " express marking "), being a parcel addressed to a country or place wherein delivery by special messenger is provided for by the relevant postal arrangement, there shall be charged and prepaid the fee of one shilling.

Cash on delivery parcels

16.—(1) The trade charge on a cash on delivery parcel shall not exceed £40 or such lesser sum as may be fixed by the relative postal arrangement, and shall not include a fractional part of a penny.

(2) The following rules shall apply to outgoing cash on delivery parcels:

(*a*) There shall be charged and paid at the time of posting, in addition to the postage and any other charges payable on the parcel, a fee according to the scale of fees set out in the First Schedule hereto.

(*b*) The sender shall mark on the cover of the parcel (otherwise than in pencil) the word " Remboursement " followed by the amount of the trade charge.

(*c*) Where the sender is required to fill up a despatch note, he shall mark thereon (otherwise than in pencil) the amount of the trade charge.

(*d*) The sender shall fill up (otherwise than in pencil) a trade charge money order form so far as may be required.

(*e*) No erasure or correction shall be made in the amount of the trade charge wherever it may be required to be shown.

(*f*) The Postmaster-General shall furnish to the sender a certificate of posting bearing an acknowledgement that the cash on delivery fee has been paid and stating the amount of the trade charge.

(*g*) The Postmaster-General shall upon receiving advice from the Postal Administration of the country or place of destination of the parcel that the trade charge has been collected remit the amount to the sender or a person named by him by means of a trade charge money order or by such other means as the Postmaster-General may think fit.

(3) The following rules shall apply to incoming cash on delivery parcels:

(*a*) There shall be charged and paid on the delivery of the parcel, in addition to any other sums due thereon, a fee of fourpence.

(*b*) The parcel shall not be given up to the addressee or opened at his request until the trade charge, the delivery fee, and any other sums due on the parcel have been paid.

(*c*) The Postmaster-General shall upon receiving the trade charge from the addressee remit the amount to the sender or a person named by him through the Postal Administration of the country or place of origin of the parcel by means of the trade charge money order form received with the parcel, or by such other means as the Postmaster-General may think fit.

Delivery free of charges

17.—(1) Where the relative postal arrangement so provides, the sender of an outgoing parcel other than a cash on delivery parcel may request that the parcel shall be delivered free of customs duty and of all other charges due thereon at the time of delivery, and in such case the following rules shall apply:

(*a*) There shall be charged and paid at the time of posting, in addition to the postage and any other charges payable on the parcel, a fee of sixpence.

(*b*) The sender shall mark on the cover of the parcel either the words "To be delivered free of charges" or the words "Franc de droits".

(*c*) The sender shall pay at the time of posting such sum as the Postmaster-General may require as a deposit in respect of the customs duty and other charges which may be due on the parcel at the time of delivery.

(*d*) The sender shall sign an undertaking in the prescribed form to pay to the Postmaster-General on demand the amount of the customs duty and the said other charges, less the amount of the deposit paid.

(*e*) The Postmaster-General shall furnish to the sender a certificate of posting bearing an acknowledgement that the said fee and the said deposit have been paid.

(*f*) If the deposit paid exceeds the amount of the customs duty and the said other charges, the Postmaster-General shall repay the balance to the sender.

(2) Where the relative postal arrangement so provides, the sender of an outgoing cash on delivery parcel may request that the parcel shall be delivered free of customs duty and of all other charges due thereon at the time of delivery except the trade charge, and in such case the rules set out in paragraph (1) of this regulation shall apply: Provided that the words to be marked on the cover of the parcel shall be "To be delivered free of charges except the trade charge".

Insured parcels

18.—(1) Where the relative postal arrangement so provides, an outgoing parcel may be insured, and in such case the following rules shall apply:

(*a*) The parcel shall not be addressed to an addressee identified by initials only, or addressed in pencil.

(*b*) The seals, labels and postage stamps affixed to the parcel shall be so spaced that they cannot conceal injuries to the cover; and no label or postage stamp shall be folded over two sides of the cover so as to hide the edge.

(*c*) Where the contents include coin, bullion or jewellery they shall be enclosed in a strong box or case measuring, if the contents are jewellery exceeding £100 in value, at least three feet six inches in length and girth combined, which shall be sewn up or otherwise fastened in a wrapper of linen, canvas, strong paper or other substantial material. The address shall be written on the actual covering of the parcel and seals not more than three inches apart shall be placed along the edges of each joint or loose flap.

(*d*) The sender shall mark on the cover of the parcel (otherwise than in pencil) the words "Insured for" followed by the sum, in words and figures, for which the parcel is to be insured. Such sum shall not exceed either (i) the real value of the contents and the packing (including any container in which the contents may be enclosed), or (ii) the sum of £400 or such lesser sum as may be fixed by the relative postal arrangement.

(*e*) Where the sender is required to fill up a despatch note, he shall mark thereon (otherwise than in pencil) the sum for which the parcel is to be insured.

(*f*) No erasure or correction shall be made in the address or in the sum for which the parcel is to be insured wherever these particulars are to be shown.

(*g*) There shall be charged and paid at the time of posting, in addition to the postage and any other charges payable on the parcel, an insurance fee comprising: (i) a sum equal to the registration fee chargeable for the registration of an outgoing postal packet other than a parcel under the British Commonwealth and Foreign Post Warrant for the time being in force, and (ii) the compensation fee appropriate to the sum for which the parcel is to be insured according to the scale of fees set out in Part I of the Second Schedule hereto.

(*h*) On the posting of the parcel the Postmaster-General shall furnish to the sender a certificate of posting bearing an acknowledgement that the insurance fee has been paid and stating the amount for which the parcel has been insured.

(2) If an outgoing parcel containing any article which, under the relative postal arrangement, is not transmissible in an uninsured parcel is found

in the post uninsured, the parcel may be dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Postmaster-General may think fit.

(3) On the delivery of an incoming insured parcel the recipient shall give a written receipt therefor in the prescribed form. Where such a receipt is not obtained, the parcel may nevertheless be delivered, or may be withheld and dealt with or disposed of in such manner as the Postmaster-General may think fit.

(4) If an incoming parcel containing any such article as is mentioned in paragraph (2) of this regulation is found in the post uninsured, the parcel may be delivered on payment of a fee equal to the registration fee chargeable for the registration of an outgoing postal packet other than a parcel, or may be returned to the Postal Administration of the country or place of origin.

Compensation

19.—(1) If a parcel, or any article of pecuniary value enclosed in or forming part of a parcel, be lost or damaged whilst in the course of conveyance by post under the provisions of this Warrant, the Postmaster-General may pay such sum as he may think just to any person or Postal Administration, if in his opinion such person or Administration establishes a reasonable claim to compensation:

Provided that:—

(*a*) In the case of an uninsured parcel the sum paid by way of compensation shall not exceed the sum appropriate thereto according to the scale set out in Part 2 of the Second Schedule hereto, having regard to the weight of the parcel.

(*b*) In the case of an outgoing insured parcel, the sum paid by way of compensation shall not exceed the sum appropriate thereto according to the scale set out in Part I of the Second Schedule hereto, having regard to the compensation fee paid in respect of the parcel.

(*c*) In the case of an incoming insured parcel the sum paid by way of compensation shall not exceed the sum of £400 or such lesser sum as, having regard to the compensation fee paid in respect of the parcel, may be fixed by the relative postal arrangement.

(2) Compensation shall not be payable in respect of the loss of or damage to any parcel or any article of pecuniary value enclosed in or forming part of any parcel where :—

(*a*) an application relating to the parcel is not received, either by the Postmaster-General or by the Postal Administration of the country or place from or to which the parcel was transmitted, from the person claiming compensation within one year of the date of posting of the parcel ;

(*b*) the cause of such loss or damage is beyond the control of the Postmaster-General and of the Postal Administration of any country or place under whose administration the parcel is at the time of such loss or damage ; or

(*c*) the parcel cannot be traced or otherwise accounted for by reason of the destruction of official documents where the cause of such destruction is beyond the control of the Postmaster-General and of the Postal Administration of any other country or place.

(3) The Postmaster-General may give effect to the provisions of this Warrant as to the loss of or damage to parcels, and of or to articles enclosed in or forming part of a parcel, out of such aids or supplies as may be

from time to time provided and appropriated by Parliament for that purpose, but nothing contained in or done under or in pursuance of this Warrant shall render him or the Crown liable to any action or other legal proceeding in respect of or in consequence of any such loss or damage. The decision of the Postmaster-General on all questions arising between him and any person claiming payment in respect of the loss of or damage to a parcel, or of or to any article enclosed in or forming part thereof, shall be final and conclusive.

Redirection by the public

20.—(1) An incoming parcel may be redirected from its original address, or any substituted address, to the same addressee at any other address either within or outside the British postal area, provided that :—

(i) the parcel is eligible for transmission to the place of the new address and complies with the conditions applicable to such transmission (except the limitation of weight in the case of a parcel redirected to an address in the British postal area or the Republic of Ireland) ; and

(ii) the sender has not forbidden redirection by means of a note to that effect on the address side of the parcel in English or in any other language understood at the original delivery office.

(2) Subject to paragraphs (3) (4) and (5) of this regulation the person redirecting an incoming parcel shall pay additional postage thereon at the rate applicable to the transmission of a parcel of like weight posted in the British postal area to the country or place (whether within or outside the British postal area) to which the parcel is redirected, or, if the new address is within the British postal area or the Republic of Ireland and the parcel exceeds the limit of weight applicable to inland parcels or parcels sent from the British postal area to the Republic of Ireland as the case may be, additional postage of such amount not exceeding seven shillings as the Postmaster-General may consider appropriate.

(3) An incoming parcel may be redirected to an address within the British postal area or the Republic of Ireland without prepayment of the additional postage provided that (*a*) the parcel does not appear to have been opened or altered otherwise than by the substitution of a new address, and (*b*) the name of the addressee has not been obscured by any adhesive label used to indicate the new address. On the delivery of such parcel within the British postal area the addressee shall pay additional postage at the rate appropriate under paragraph (2) of this regulation, and the Postmaster-General may withhold delivery of the parcel unless the additional postage is so paid.

(4) The Postmaster-General may (without prejudice to his general power of remission under regulation twenty-four) remit the additional postage payable under paragraph (2) of this regulation if (*a*) the parcel is re-posted on the day of its delivery at the address from which it is redirected or on the next day following (Sundays, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and public holidays being disregarded for this purpose), (*b*) it is redirected to an address served from the same delivery office as the address from which it is redirected or to an address in the same town delivery area, and (*c*) it conforms with the conditions specified in paragraph (3) for redirection without prepayment of postage.

(5) An incoming parcel redirected to an address outside the British postal area other than in the Republic of Ireland shall be re-posted in accordance with regulation eight ; and if such parcel is posted without prepayment of the additional postage the Postmaster-General may treat it as a parcel which

cannot be delivered unless he is satisfied that the additional postage will be paid on delivery of the parcel.

(6) An incoming insured parcel which is redirected to a new address within the British postal area or the Republic of Ireland will be accepted for transmission as an insured parcel only if the parcel does not appear to have been opened and it is re-posted without any additional cover by being handed to an officer on duty at the counter of a post office designated by the Postmaster-General for the purpose.

(7) An incoming insured parcel which is redirected to a new address elsewhere will be accepted for transmission as an insured parcel only if (*a*) the parcel does not appear to have been opened, (*b*) it is re-posted without any additional cover by being handed to an officer on duty at the counter of a post office designated by the Postmaster-General for the purpose, (*c*) it complies with the conditions applicable to insured parcels sent by post from the British postal area to the country or place in which the new address is situated, and (*d*) the person redirecting the parcel pays an insurance fee in accordance with sub-paragraph (*g*) of paragraph (1) of regulation eighteen unless the Postmaster-General is satisfied that such fee will be paid on delivery of the parcel.

(8) A parcel posted in the British postal area or the Republic of Ireland and transmitted under the Inland Post Warrant for the time being in force to an address within the British postal area may be redirected from its original address and re-transmitted under this Warrant to the same addressee at any address which is not within the British postal area or the Republic of Ireland: Provided that the parcel shall be re-posted in accordance with regulation eight, and additional postage shall be payable thereon at the rate applicable to the transmission of a parcel of like weight posted in the British postal area to the new address; and if such additional postage is not paid the Postmaster-General may treat the parcel as one which cannot be delivered.

Advice of delivery and Enquiries

21.—(1) (*a*) The sender of an outgoing insured parcel, on making a request in a prescribed form at the time of posting or within one year thereafter, and on payment of an advice of delivery fee of threepence, may obtain an advice of delivery of the parcel.

(*b*) The advice of delivery form may if the sender of the parcel so requires be transmitted by air to, or from, or both to and from, the country or place of address of the parcel; and the sender shall if the Postmaster-General so directs pay a further fee of threepence for each transmission of the advice of delivery form by air.

(2) (*a*) The sender of an outgoing insured parcel, on making a request within one year after the day of posting, and (unless an advice of delivery fee has already been paid in respect of the parcel) on payment of an enquiry fee of threepence, may cause an enquiry to be made into the suspected loss or non-delivery of the parcel.

(*b*) The postal administration of the country to which the parcel is addressed may if the sender of the parcel so requires be asked to transmit information by air in respect of its disposal; and the sender shall if the Postmaster-General so directs pay a fee of threepence for such transmission in addition to the enquiry fee (if any).

Parcels in bond

22.—(1) The Postmaster-General may, on application being made in such manner as he may direct by the addressee of any incoming parcel in bond:

(*a*) make a search for the parcel in order that it may if possible receive expedited customs examination ;

(*b*) re-address the parcel to any person either within or outside the British postal area ; or

(*c*) permit the addressee or his authorised agent, attending at the place where the parcel is, to re-address the parcel to any person either within or outside the British postal area.

(2) There shall be charged and paid in respect of the facilities provided for in this regulation :

(i) for each of the facilities mentioned in sub-paragraphs (*a*) and (*b*) of paragraph (1), the fee appropriate to the number of parcels comprised in the application, according to the scale of fees set out in columns 1 and 2 of the Third Schedule hereto ;

(ii) for the facility mentioned in sub-paragraph (*c*) of paragraph (1), the fee appropriate to the number of parcels comprised in the application, according to the scale of fees set out in columns 1 and 3 of the said Third Schedule.

(3) There shall be charged and paid by the original addressee in respect of each parcel which is re-addressed under this regulation (*a*) the additional postage and fees which would have been payable thereon under regulation twenty if it had been redirected under that regulation to the new address, and (*b*) such fee as would have been payable by the addressee under regulation seven if the parcel had been delivered to him.

(4) In this regulation a parcel in bond means a parcel which is in the custody of the Postmaster-General at some place appointed by him and the Commissioners of Customs and Excise for customs examination.

PART V

General

Parcels posted on ships of the Royal Navy or by Forces abroad

23. The provisions of this Warrant which apply in relation to outgoing parcels (whether or not by virtue of an express reference to outgoing parcels) shall, so far as applicable, apply to any parcel :

(*a*) posted on board a ship of the Royal Navy (whether on the high seas or in any port or place outside the British postal area) and transmitted in a closed mail ; or

(*b*) posted by a member of the armed forces of the United Kingdom or of any other Commonwealth country serving outside the British postal area, or a member of the armed forces of any State allied with the United Kingdom serving outside the British postal area with the armed forces of the United Kingdom or of any other Commonwealth country, for transmission through a British Forces' Post Office at which British postage stamps are issued ;

whether it is addressed to a person outside or within the British postal area ; and the provisions of this Warrant which apply in relation to incoming parcels (whether or not by virtue of an express reference to incoming parcels) shall apply to any such parcel which is received at a post office in the British postal area.

Remission of postage and fees

24. The Postmaster-General may remit in whole or in part any postage or other sums chargeable under this Warrant in such cases or classes of cases as he may determine.

Application of Inland Post Warrant

25. The regulations specified in the Fourth Schedule hereto shall apply to parcels transmitted by post under the provisions of this Warrant, to the extent and subject to the modifications specified in the said Schedule.

Saving

26. Nothing in this Warrant shall prejudice, or affect the operation of, the provisions of the Foreign Parcels (Customs) Warrant, 1885(a) or any other Warrant or Regulations made under section fourteen of the Post Office (Parcels) Act, 1882(b) or section sixteen of the Act, or any Regulations made by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise under any Act relating to customs.

Revocation

27. The Warrants mentioned in the Fifth Schedule hereto are hereby revoked.

Citation and commencement

28. This Warrant may be cited as "The British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Warrant, 1958", and shall come into operation on the 1st day of June, 1958.

Dated this 14th day of May, 1958.

Martin Redmayne,
R. Brooman-White,
Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

Ernest Marples,
Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

14th May, 1958.

(a) Rev. XVIII, p. 350. (b) 45 & 46 Vict. c. 74.

Regulation 16

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

Cash on Delivery Parcels

Scale of Fees

Trade charge							*Fee* s.	d.
Not exceeding £1								4½
Exceeding	£1	but not exceeding	£2					7
,,	£2	,, ,, ,,	£3					9½
,,	£3	,, ,, ,,	£4				1	0
,,	£4	,, ,, ,,	£5				1	2½
,,	£5	,, ,, ,,	£6				1	5
,,	£6	,, ,, ,,	£7				1	7½
,,	£7	,, ,, ,,	£8				1	10
,,	£8	,, ,, ,,	£9				2	0½
,,	£9	,, ,, ,,	£10				2	3
,,	£10	,, ,, ,,	£11				2	5½
,,	£11	,, ,, ,,	£12				2	8
,,	£12	,, ,, ,,	£13				2	10½
,,	£13	,, ,, ,,	£14				3	1
,,	£14	,, ,, ,,	£15				3	3½
,,	£15	,, ,, ,,	£16				3	6
,,	£16	,, ,, ,,	£17				3	8½
,,	£17	,, ,, ,,	£18				3	11
,,	£18	,, ,, ,,	£19				4	1½
,,	£19	,, ,, ,,	£20				4	4
,,	£20	,, ,, ,,	£21				4	6½
,,	£21	,, ,, ,,	£22				4	9
,,	£22	,, ,, ,,	£23				4	11½
,,	£23	,, ,, ,,	£24				5	2
,,	£24	,, ,, ,,	£25				5	4½
,,	£25	,, ,, ,,	£26				5	7
,,	£26	,, ,, ,,	£27				5	9½
,,	£27	,, ,, ,,	£28				6	0
,,	£28	,, ,, ,,	£29				6	2½
,,	£29	,, ,, ,,	£30				6	5
,,	£30	,, ,, ,,	£31				6	7½
,,	£31	,, ,, ,,	£32				6	10
,,	£32	,, ,, ,,	£33				7	0½
,,	£33	,, ,, ,,	£34				7	3
,,	£34	,, ,, ,,	£35				7	5½
,,	£35	,, ,, ,,	£36				7	8
,,	£36	,, ,, ,,	£37				7	10½
,,	£37	,, ,, ,,	£38				8	1
,,	£38	,, ,, ,,	£39				8	3½
,,	£39	,, ,, ,,	£40				8	6

Regulations 18 and 19

THE SECOND SCHEDULE

INSURANCE AND COMPENSATION

PART I

Insured Parcels

Compensation fee	Maximum compensation	Compensation fee	Maximum compensation
s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.
0 2	12 0 0	3 0	216 0 0
0 4	24 0 0	3 2	228 0 0
0 6	36 0 0	3 4	240 0 0
0 8	48 0 0	3 6	252 0 0
0 10	60 0 0	3 8	264 0 0
1 0	72 0 0	3 10	276 0 0
1 2	84 0 0	4 0	288 0 0
1 4	96 0 0	4 2	300 0 0
1 6	108 0 0	4 4	312 0 0
1 8	120 0 0	4 6	324 0 0
1 10	132 0 0	4 8	336 0 0
2 0	144 0 0	4 10	348 0 0
2 2	156 0 0	5 0	360 0 0
2 4	168 0 0	5 2	372 0 0
2 6	180 0 0	5 4	384 0 0
2 8	192 0 0	5 6	396 0 0
2 10	204 0 0	5 8	400 0 0

PART II

Uninsured Parcels

Weight of Parcel	Maximum compensation
	£ s. d.
Not exceeding 3 lb.	1 3 0
Exceeding 3 lb. but not exceeding 7 lb.	1 15 0
Exceeding 7 lb. but not exceeding 11 lb.	2 18 0
Exceeding 11 lb. but not exceeding 22 lb.	4 13 0

Regulation 22

THE THIRD SCHEDULE

ADDITIONAL FEES FOR RE-ADDRESSING PARCELS IN BOND

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Number of parcels	£ s. d.	s. d.
1	5 0	2 6
2	7 0	3 6
3	9 0	4 6
4	11 0	5 6
5	12 0	6 0
6 to 10 inclusive	14 0	7 0
11 to 20 ,, ...	18 0	9 0
21 to 30 ,, ...	1 2 0	11 0
31 to 40 ,, ...	1 6 0	13 0
41 to 50 ,, ...	1 10 0	15 0
Every additional 25 or part thereof	5 0	2 6

Regulation 25

THE FOURTH SCHEDULE

APPLICATION OF INLAND POST WARRANT

Inland Post Warrant, 1955(a).	
reg. 14 (Treatment of packets addressed to deceased persons).	The reference in reg. 14(1)(*d*) to the Inland Post Warrant, 1955 shall be read as a reference to this Warrant. The reference in reg. 14(2) to reg. 5 of the Inland Post Warrant, 1955 shall be omitted, and the additional postage and fees referred to in reg. 20 of this Warrant shall be payable on each redirected parcel on delivery.
reg. 24 (Postal facilities—general).	This regulation shall apply for the purpose only of the application of the other provisions of the Inland Post Warrant, 1955, mentioned in this Schedule to parcels transmitted by post under this Warrant.
reg. 29 (Poste restante) ...	The reference in para. (*h*) to the provisions of the Inland Post Warrant, 1955 as to the return of postal packets shall be read as a reference to reg. 12 of this Warrant.
reg. 39 (2) and (3) (Payment of trade charge to sender); reg. 40 (Trade charge money orders—crossing); reg. 41 (Trade charge money orders—payment to bankers); reg. 42 (Discharge to Crown by payment); reg. 43 (Void trade charge money orders).	These provisions shall apply to trade charge money orders used for the remission of trade charges under reg. 16 (2) (*g*) of this Warrant.
reg. 45 (Variation of route).	
2nd Schedule (Postal facilities), items 2, and 8 to 15 inclusive.	The facilities referred to in items 8 to 15 inclusive shall extend to parcels transmitted by post under this Warrant, without further charge, but the additional postage and fees referred to in reg. 20 of this Warrant shall be payable on the delivery of each parcel redirected in accordance with item 10.
3rd Schedule (Express delivery services), items 2, and 4 to 7 inclusive.	The limits of size and weight in respect of items 2 and 4 shall be those specified in this Warrant.

(a) S.I. 1955/1877 (1955 II, p. 2014).

Regulation 27

THE FIFTH SCHEDULE

WARRANTS REVOKED

American Parcel Post Warrant, 1902(a).

Netherlands Parcel Post Warrant, 1925(b).

British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Warrant, 1950(c).

British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Amendment (No. 1) Warrant, 1952(d).

British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Amendment (No. 2) Warrant, 1952(e).

British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Amendment (No. 3) Warrant, 1955(f).

British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Amendment (No. 4) Warrant, 1957(g).

British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Amendment (No. 5) Warrant, 1957(h).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Warrant, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Warrant consolidates with minor amendments the regulations relating to parcels sent to or received from British Commonwealth or foreign countries.

The provisions of the revoked Warrants fixing rates of postage and fees for the British Postal Agencies (which are now included in the British Postal Agencies (Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post) Warrant, 1958 (S.I. 1958/830)), are omitted from the Warrant.

(a) S.R. & O. 1902/689 (Rev. XVIII, p. 379: 1902, p. 348).
(b) S.R. & O. 1926/354 (1926, p. 1146).
(c) S.I. 1950/1200 (1950 II, p. 367).
(d) S.I. 1952/107 (1952 III, p. 2606).
(e) S.I. 1952/797 (1952 III, p. 2607).
(f) S.I. 1955/1879 (1955 II, p. 2012).
(g) S.I. 1957/1329 (1957 II, p. 1904).
(h) S.I. 1957/1669 (1957 II, p. 1909).