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2 In this Recommendation, the expression “Administration” is used for conciseness to indicate both a telecommunication administration and a recognized operating agency.

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ACCOUNTING AND REFUNDS FOR PHOTOTELEGRAMS¹⁾

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1 Accounts

1.1 Between public stations

1.1.1 Accounting methods for charges levied for traffic between public stations shall be the same as for telegram charges. These accounts shall constitute a special section in the telegraph accounts.

1.2 From a public station to a private station

1.2.1 Accounting methods for charges levied for these phototelegrams shall be the same as for telegram charges. When the accounts are established by the destination country, the public station shall inform the international phototelegraph position in its country of the particular scale of charges pertaining to each phototelegram. The latter station, when booking the call, shall pass this information on to the IPP in the destination country for accounting purposes.

1.2.2 This accounting shall constitute a special section in the telegraph accounts. The special surcharge for use of the public station is retained by the Administration governing the public station.

1.3 From a private station to a public station

1.3.1 Accounting methods for charges in connection with the use of telephone circuits are governed by Recommendation D.81.

1.3.2 The special surcharge applying to the use of a public station is retained by the Administration operating the public station.

2 Refunds

2.1 Between public stations

2.1.1 The sender of a phototelegram or his authorized representative may, on establishing his status and identity, cancel his phototelegram only if it has not been transmitted by the office of origin.

2.1.2 The charge paid for a phototelegram that has been cancelled shall be refunded, but the Administration concerned may retain a cancellation charge. The latter shall be equal to one-third of the phototelegram first step charge in the service in question, when the call has been partly or completely set up.

2.1.3 In principle the provisions of § 2.1.2 above shall also apply to phototelegrams payable by the addressee or by a third party.

2.1.4 The charges collected shall be refunded to the sender if the phototelegram does not reach its destination, except if it has been sent by post.

2.1.5 If the addressee lives in the locality of the incoming station, the charges shall also be refunded if the period between handing in and the time when the phototelegram is delivered to the addressee exceeds 8 hours in the European system, or 20 hours in the extra-European system.

2.1.6 When a phototelegram is sent by post to the outgoing public station, the time required for the postal delivery shall not be counted against the phototelegraph service. In this case the time of arrival at the public station should be taken into consideration when calculating any delay.

2.1.7 If the addressee does not live in the locality of the incoming station the periods specified above, which justify a refund, shall be reckoned from the time of handing in to the time of delivery to the postal service.

¹⁾ See also Recommendation F.105.

2.1.8 There shall be no refund of a charge that has been collected if the phototelegram includes in its preamble the service instruction **RISQUES EXPEDITEUR**.

2.2 *From a public station to a private station*

2.2.1 The points covered in §§ 2.1.1 to 2.1.3 above are also applicable when the phototelegram is cancelled or when it is refused by the addressee.

2.2.2 Charges may not in general be refunded or waived, unless transmission has failed to take place or has been faulty, owing to circuit interruption or to faults in the public station's equipment. Refund of charges shall be left to the discretion of the Administration to which the public station belongs.

2.3 *From a private station to a public station*

2.3.1 The provisions for the cancellation of telephone calls also apply to the cancellation of phototelegraph calls.

2.3.2 If a phototelegram is cancelled, the Administration of the outgoing country shall collect the surcharge required for the intervention of the public station. If the private station desires, the received phototelegram will be sent to this station by post.

2.3.3 If, in the case of retransmission by a public station, cancellation is requested before the next circuit has been provided but after the phototelegram has been received by the public station responsible for the proposed retransmission, the sender shall pay at least the charge normally applicable to terminal phototelegraph traffic on the route followed.

2.3.4 The provisions of §§ 2.1.4 to 2.1.8 above shall apply as regards the waiving of charges when phototelegrams are not delivered or are delivered too late.