

Additional article between the General Post-Office of the United States of America and the General Post-Office of the Netherlands. June 19 and Sept. 14, 1874.

Whereas a regular line of direct steamers is soon to be established between the port of New York and the port of Rotterdam, which can be employed for the transportation of the Netherland-American mails, at a compensation for sea conveyance between the two frontiers, not to exceed 5 cents (Dutch,) or 2 cents (United States,) for each single letter:

Preamble.

Now, therefore, the undersigned, duly authorized by their respective governments, have agreed upon the following additional article to the postal convention of 26th September, 1867, and to the additional convention of 10th–29th January, 1870.

SOLE ARTICLE.

The single letter-rate on correspondence exchanged directly between the two administrations by means of such steamship-line, shall be as follows, viz: Single letter-rate on Rotterdam steamship-line.

1. On letters from the United States, 6 cents (U. S.)

2. On letters from the Netherlands, 15 cents (Dutch.)

This additional article takes effect on the date of the dispatch of the first mail by such steamship-line, and from that date forward has the same duration as the convention of 26th September, 1867, and the additional convention of 10th–29th January, 1870. To be additional article; duration.

Done in duplicate and signed at Washington, the fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, and at the Hague, the nineteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

[L. S.]

MARSHALL JEWELL,

Postmaster-General of the United States.

[L. S.]

NOFETEDS,

The Director-General of Posts of the Netherlands.

[Translation.]

The undersigned, instructed to that end by royal decree of the 9th of June, 1874, No. 9, hereby declares it to be good and proper to confirm the foregoing agreement.

[L. S.]

The Minister of Finance, VON DELDEN.

I hereby approve the foregoing additional article; and, in testimony thereof, I have caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Approval.

[L. S.]

U. S. GRANT.

By the President:

HAMILTON FISH,

Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, 14th September, 1874.