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Preamble

This Recommendation sets out the charging and international accounting principles applicable by Administrations for the transmission of facsimile documents in both directions between subscribers to the Telefax service and public facsimile bureaux¹⁾.

1 General principles

In determining the tariff principles to be applied to this service, consideration should be given to the structure and level of charges applicable to other international telecommunication services supplied by the Administrations concerned, and to the provisions of Recommendation D.5.

2 Charging principles

2.1 International transmission of facsimile documents from a public bureau to a subscriber station in another country

The originating Administration should charge:

- a) either on a per page basis, as described in Recommendation D.70, § 2 relating to the Bureaufax service,
- b) or on the normal call charge for the international network used.

In the case of b), the originating Administration may levy on the sender a separate charge for handling and, where appropriate, for national collection of the facsimile document, in addition to the call charge for the international network used.

2.2 International transmission of facsimile documents from a subscriber station to a public bureau in another country

The Administration of destination should charge:

- a) either on a per page basis, as described in Recommendation D.70, § 2,
- b) or an amount which covers the cost of handling of the facsimile document and, where appropriate, for national delivery to the addressee.

It may be necessary for all charges applied by the Administration of destination for handling of the facsimile document, including, where approriate, for national delivery, to be levied on the addressee in accordance with national arrangements.

3 International accounting principles

- 3.1 Generally speaking, accounting procedures for interworking between the international Bureaufax and Telefax services should be based on the same accounting rates and be effected in the same manner as for the calls set up normally on the international public network used. These facsimile calls are an integral part of the international accounts for the public network and should not give rise to any additional accounting measures between Administrations.
- 3.2 Any charge levied by an Administration for the handling of the facsimile document or for national collection or delivery, or for cancellation should be retained by that Administration and not appear in the international accounts.
- 3.3 The collect call facility and the transferred accounts service may be admitted subject to bilateral agreement between the Administrations concerned and subject to the provisions of the relevant CCITT Recommendations.

¹⁾ See Recommendation F.190 [1].

4 Refunds

4.1 Refund or cancellation of charges may be permitted at the discretion of Administrations in accordance with the following conditions.

4.2 Public bureau to subscriber station transmissions

In the case of transmission from a public bureau to a private subscriber station in a destination country, refund of charges may be permitted in accordance with Recommendation D.70, § 5.

- 4.3 Subscriber station to public bureau transmissions
- 4.3.1 In the case of transmission from a private subscriber station to a public bureau in a destination country, no charge will normally be levied on the sender or addressee by the destination Administration:
 - a) if delivery of the entire facsimile document cannot be effected through no fault of the sender and/or addressee or their agents, or
 - b) where applicable, for any page of a facsimile document which is not accepted by the addressee because of poor quality and where the service instruction "risques expediteur" does not appear in the preamble of the affected pages. Pages not accepted by the addressee cannot be retained by him; however, if the addressee accepts certain pages of the document, no cancellation of charges will be granted for those pages.
- 4.3.2 Where a facsimile document is cancelled during or after reception by the public bureau from the private subscriber station but before delivery to the addressee, it is at the discretion of the destination Administration whether or not to charge for handling of the document by the public bureau. A cancellation charge may be imposed in such circumstances.
- 4.3.3 No refund shall normally be allowed of charges incurred by the originating subscriber in respect of calls from a private subscriber station to a public bureau, except where this is permitted under the normal refund arrangements for the public network used.

5 Service correspondence

Subject to formal agreement by the Administrations providing interworking between Bureaufax and Telefax services, service documents sent from a Bureaufax to a Telefax station shall be free of charge, and shall not involve international accounting.

Reference

[1] CCITT Recommendation – Operational provisions for the international facsimile service between public bureaux and subscriber stations and vice versa, Rec. F.190.

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