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the International Conventions concerning the  
Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM) and the  
Carriage of Passengers and Luggage  
by Rail (CIV) of 7 February 1970  
concerning

the Increase in the Maximum Rates per Kilometre of  
the Contributions of Contracting States towards the  
Expenses of the Central Office

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### **PROTOCOLE III**

**établi par la Conférence diplomatique réunie en vue de la mise en vigueur des Conventions internationales concernant le transport par chemins de fer des marchandises (CIM) et des voyageurs et des bagages (CIV) du 7 février 1970**

### **CONCERNANT**

### **LA MAJORIZATION DES TAUX KILOMÉTRIQUES MAXIMAUX DES CONTRIBUTIONS DES ÉTATS CONTRACTANTS AUX DÉPENSES DE L'OFFICE CENTRAL**

A l'occasion de la Conférence diplomatique réunie à Berne du 5 au 9 novembre 1973 en vue de la mise en vigueur des Conventions internationales concernant le transport par chemins de fer des marchandises (CIM) et des voyageurs et des bagages (CIV) du 7 février 1970, les Plénipotentiaires soussignés sont convenus de ce qui suit:

ayant constaté qu'en raison de la réévaluation du franc suisse et du renchérissement constant du coût de la vie et qu'en dépit de la politique d'économies suivie par l'Office central, les taux kilométriques maximaux fixés dans l'Annexe V à la CIM et l'Annexe II à la CIV de 1961 pour calculer les parts contributives des Etats aux dépenses de l'Office central et complétés par les Protocoles de 1964 et de 1970 ne suffiront pas à couvrir les frais d'administration de l'Office central jusqu'à la fin de l'année 1975, date à laquelle devra se réunir la Conférence diplomatique chargée de déterminer la composition du Comité administratif et les taux kilométriques maximaux des contributions des Etats pour la période quinquennale allant de 1976 à 1981, selon les dispositions de l'article premier, § 2 b), et de l'article 2, § 1, des Annexes II à la CIM et I à la CIV de 1970,

il est décidé

1. de fixer à 3,80 francs or le taux kilométrique maximal relatif à la CIM et à 3,20 francs or le taux kilométrique maximal relatif à la CIV, pour la période allant du 1<sup>er</sup> janvier 1973 au 31 décembre 1975;
2. d'autoriser le comité administratif, en cas de modification de la valeur or du franc suisse d'ici à la fin de l'année 1975, à modifier d'autant les taux kilométriques maximaux fixés ci-dessus.

[OFFICIAL TRANSLATION]

**PROTOCOL III**

**drawn up by the Diplomatic Conference convened with a view to bringing into force the International Conventions concerning the Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM) and the Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Rail (CIV) of 7th February 1970**

**CONCERNING**

**THE INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM RATES PER KILOMETRE OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF CONTRACTING STATES TOWARDS THE EXPENSES OF THE CENTRAL OFFICE**

On the occasion of the Diplomatic Conference convened in Berne from 5th to 9th November 1973 with a view to bringing into force the International Conventions concerning the Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM)<sup>(1)</sup> and the Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Rail (CIV)<sup>(2)</sup> of 7th February 1970 the undersigned Plenipotentiaries have agreed to the following provisions:—

Having determined that, on account of the revaluation of the Swiss franc and the constant increase in the cost of living, and in spite of the policy of economy followed by the Central Office, the maximum rates per kilometre fixed in Annex V to CIM<sup>(3)</sup> and Annex II to CIV<sup>(4)</sup> of 1961 for calculating the contributions of States to the expenses of the Central Office and supplemented by the Protocols of 1964<sup>(5)</sup> and 1970<sup>(6)</sup> will not be adequate to cover the costs of administration of the Central Office up to the end of the year 1975, when the Diplomatic Conference charged with determining the composition of the Administrative Committee and the maximum rates per kilometre of the contributions of States for the five-year period from 1976 to 1981 will have to meet, in accordance with the provisions of Article 1 (2)(b) and Article 2(1) of Annex II to CIM and of Annex I to CIV of 1970,

it has been decided

1. to fix at 3·80 gold francs the maximum rate per kilometre for CIM and at 3·20 gold francs the maximum rate per kilometre for CIV, for the period from 1st January 1973 to 31st December 1975;
2. to authorise the Administrative Committee, in the case of alteration of the gold value of the Swiss franc from now to the end of the year 1975, to make a corresponding change in the maximum rates per kilometre fixed above.

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<sup>(1)</sup> Treaty Series No. 40 (1975), Cmnd. 5897.

<sup>(2)</sup> Treaty Series No. 41 (1975), Cmnd. 5898.

<sup>(3)</sup> Treaty Series No. 67 (1965), Cmnd. 2810.

<sup>(4)</sup> Treaty Series No. 66 (1965), Cmnd. 2811.

<sup>(5)</sup> Protocol B in Treaty Series No. 66 (1965), Cmnd. 2811.

<sup>(6)</sup> Treaty Series No. 57 (1972), Cmnd. 4985.

Le présent Protocole demeure ouvert à la signature jusqu'au 31 janvier 1974.

EN FOI DE QUOI, les Plénipotentiaires ci-après, s'étant communiqué leurs pleins pouvoirs, trouvés en bonne et due forme, ont dressé et signé le présent Protocole.

FAIT à Berne, le neuf novembre mil neuf cent soixante-treize, en un seul exemplaire, qui restera déposé dans les Archives de la Confédération suisse et dont une expédition authentique sera remise à chacune des Parties.

This Protocol shall remain open for signature until 31st January 1974.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the following Plenipotentiaries, having communicated their full powers, found to be in good and due form, have drawn up and signed this Protocol.

DONE at Berne, this ninth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and seventy three, in one original, which shall be deposited in the archives of the Swiss Confederation and an authentic copy of which shall be sent to each of the Parties.

### SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS AND APPROVALS

		<i>Date of Signature</i>	<i>Date of Ratification or Approval (A)</i>
Algeria	...	16 Nov. 1973	
Austria*	...		25 Sept. 1974
Belgium	...		
Bulgaria	...		
Czechoslovakia	...		
Denmark	...		
Finland	...		
France	...	9 Nov. 1973	
German Democratic Republic	...		
Germany, Federal Republic of*			
Greece	...		
Hungary	...		
Iran*	...		
Iraq	...		
Ireland, Republic of	...	31 Jan. 1974	
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Liechtenstein	...		
Luxembourg*	...		5 Sept. 1974
Morocco	...		
Netherlands†	...		23 Nov. 1974 (A)
Norway	...		
Poland	...		
Portugal*	...	9 Nov. 1973	25 Nov. 1974
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