

A R

International GPU/UPU period Brazil

I suggest reading the A R book (<http://www.rfrajola.com/dh2019/1ar.pdf>) first, for a general description of worldwide A R. The other exhibits, mini- & micro-, are also downloadable from Richard Frajola's exhibit site, <http://www.rfrajola.com/exhibits.htm>

Higher resolution pdfs are possible but require a DVD; please contact me if interested.

Comments, suggestions, contributions welcomed.

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Brazil

BRAZIL was a Portuguese colony from about 1500 to 1822, when it became independent. Lots of AR material exists (except AR cards). It joined the U P U 1 July 1877.

In the pre-Vienna periods, the AR fee was paid on the form; post-Vienna on the cover. The forms were returned under cover. It appears (on the basis of the covering envelopes) that registration of returned AR forms ceased sometime in March–April 1912.

The following table does not seem to be very accurate. The modifications given in blue will help for the earlier period, but when airmail is involved, I throw up my hands. I solicit corrections to the rates here and on the covers in the exhibit.

Some Brazilian rates 1888–1946

dates →	88/3/26	99/1/1	10/1/1	22/1/1	28/1/1	31/1/24	34/6/1	38/1/1
registration*	200	400	300	400***	600	600	700	1300
AR*	200	→	→**	400***	500	400	700	1300
AR after-the-fact*	NA	200?	200?	500	1000	400	1400	1300
UPU first class*	200 ⁱ	300 ⁱ	200 ⁱ	400***	500/ + 300	400/ + 200	700/ + 400	1200/ + 700
registration (dom)	200	→	→ ⁱⁱ	300	400	300	400	800
AR (domestic)	100	→	→ ⁱⁱ	200	300	200	400	600
AR after-the-fact (dom)	NA	?	?	300	500	400	700	?
first class (dom)	100	→	→ ⁱⁱ	200	300/ + 200	200	300/ + 200	400/ + 200

The rates are in Reis (Rs). The notation **m/ + n** means *m* Rs for the first weight and *n* Rs for each additional.

Suggested modifications

by 1888, the AR fee was 100 Rs, not 200 as given in the table

early in 1914, the U P U, registered, and AR fees changed to 200, 300, 150 Rs respectively

Dating system is **year/month/day**. Printed matter, special delivery, COD, DLO return fee, . . . not included; neither is parcel post. Almost all of the rates were taken from *Brasil: As tarifas postais de 1888 a 1946*, parts I–III, in *Mosaico* (September 1988, December 1998, and March 1999). However, the rate changes 1913–14 was not recorded there, but were in [U P U].

ⁱIt appears very likely that a U P U-authorized surcharge was applied, essentially doubling the rate to European and other destinations. This should be confirmed.

ⁱⁱFrom 1 January 1921 to 31 December 1921, the registration, AR, and domestic letter rates were respectively 300 Rs, 200 Rs, and 150 Rs per weight.

*Domestic rates to US and other PUAS countries, from 1909(?).

**Sometime in 1913–14, the AR fee dropped to 150 Rs.

***Sometime in January–July 1923, the U P U, registration, and AR fees, became respectively 200, 300, and 200 Rs.

NA = service not available.

Brazil

AR form (pre-Vienna)

Direction Générale Postes du BRÉSIL

ADMINISTRATION DE S. P. Inel

AVIS DE RÉCEPTION

D'un lettre recommandé sous le n. 11738, et adressé à
M. Ed. Marion à France le 10 Juin 1887

Timbre du bureau d'origine

Le soussigné déclare qu'un lettre recommandé à l'adresse
susmentionnée et provenant de Ed. Marion
a été dûment livré le _____ 1887

Timbre discriminatif

Le destinataire

Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire, puis être mis sous enveloppe et renvoyé, sous recommandation, par le premier courrier.

Typ. de D. G. des Postes

From France, 1887. Rated 100 Rs, AR fee. Returned unsigned, likely left attached to registered letter.

AR form with AR cover (Vienna period)

Three days after Treaty of Vienna came into effect. AR fee was paid on the cover, not the form (as required). There were two violations: AR or equivalent was **not** marked on the cover, and the AR form should have been prepared at **destination**. Very few AR form with cover combinations are known in this period.



São Leopoldo (Rio Grande do Sul) to Courtrai (Belgium), 4 July 1892. No AR handstamp/ms. Rated 900 Rs: 200 Rs registration, 100 Rs AR, and triple 200 Rs UPU-authorized supplemented rate (50 ctm).

MODELO N. 154

Direction Générale des Postes du BRÉSIL

Administration de R. G. do Sul

AVIS DE RÉCEPTION

d'une lettre assurée
 d'un objet recommandé

enregistré sous le N^o 1523 et adressé à

M. P. A. Jonaert à Europa le 4 Juillet 1892

Timbre du bureau d'origine
 Le soussigné déclare qu'une lettre assurée à l'adresse susmentionné
 qu'un objet recommandé

et provenant de São Leopoldo a été dûment livré le _____ 18__

Timbre du bureau distributeur
 SIGNATURE (*)

_____ du destinataire
 _____ du chef du bureau distributeur

(*) Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire ou, si les règlements du pays de destination le permettent, par le chef du bureau distributeur, puis mis sous enveloppe et renvoyé, sous recommandation, par le premier courrier.

Refers to registration number 1523, as on the cover. Not signed, and probably left attached to the cover upon delivery.

AR forms (Vienna period)

Forms were to be prepared in destination country, not country of origin, of the registered letter.

MODELO N. 154

DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES POSTES DU BRÉSIL

Administration de *Austria*

AVIS DE RÉCÉPTION

d'une lettre assurée } enregistré sous le N.° *101*, et adressé à
d'un objet recommandé }

M. *Petto & Companhia*
à *Victoria* le *8* de *11* 189*5*

Timbre du bureau distributeur

Le soussigné déclare { qu'une lettre assurée } à l'adresse susmentionnée
{ qu'un objet recommandé }

et provenant de *Bubna* a été
dûment livré le *2* 189*5*

SIGNATURE (*)

Petto du destinataire
Victor Muciac du chef du bureau distributeur

(*) Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire ou, si les règlements du pays de destination le permettent, par le chef du bureau distributeur, pour être mis sous enveloppe et envoyé, sans recommandation, par le premier courrier, au bureau d'origine de l'objet qu'il concerne.

IMP. NACIONAL -- 1861-91

Form sent to Austria, 1895. For a registered letter from Austria to Victoria (Brazil), adhering to Treaty of Vienna conventions (that the AR form be prepared in the destination country). Properly signed.

MODELO N. 154

DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES POSTES DU BRÉSIL

Administration de *Austria* **AR**

AVIS DE RÉCÉPTION

d'une lettre assurée } enregistré sous le N.° *135*, et adressé à
d'un objet recommandé }

M. *Pellisch Grün & Companhia*
à *Victoria* le *8* de *11* 189*5*

Timbre du bureau distributeur

Le soussigné déclare { qu'une lettre assurée } à l'adresse susmentionnée
{ qu'un objet recommandé }

et provenant de *Bubna* a été
dûment livré le _____ 189____

SIGNATURE (*) *553948281*

Pello du destinataire
Victor Muciac du chef du bureau distributeur

(*) Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire ou, si les règlements du pays de destination le permettent, par le chef du bureau distributeur, pour être mis sous enveloppe et envoyé, sans recommandation, par le premier courrier, au bureau d'origine de l'objet qu'il concerne.

IMP. NACIONAL -- 1861-91

Same correspondence, same year. The AR handstamp appears to have been applied in Brazil.

AR form (post-Vienna period)

MODELO N. 134

DIRECTION GÉNÉRALE DES POSTES DU BRÉSIL.

Administration de Maranhão

AVIS DE RÉCÉPTION

d'une lettre assurée
 d'un objet recommandé } enregistré sous le N. 206, et adressé à

M. E. Egby - Oceanopley
Leeds Anglaterris 8 Janvier 1903

Timbre du bureau distributeur

Le soussigné déclare qu'une lettre assurée
 qu'un objet recommandé } à l'adresse susmentionnée

et provenant de S. Henry Maragum a été dûment livré le _____ 189__

SIGNATURE (*)

_____ du destinataire
_____ du chef du bureau distributeur

(*) Cet avis doit être signé par le destinataire ou, si les règlements du pays de destination le permettent, par le chef du bureau distributeur, peut être mis sous enveloppe et adressé, sans recommandation, par le premier courrier, au bureau d'origine de l'objet qu'il concerne.

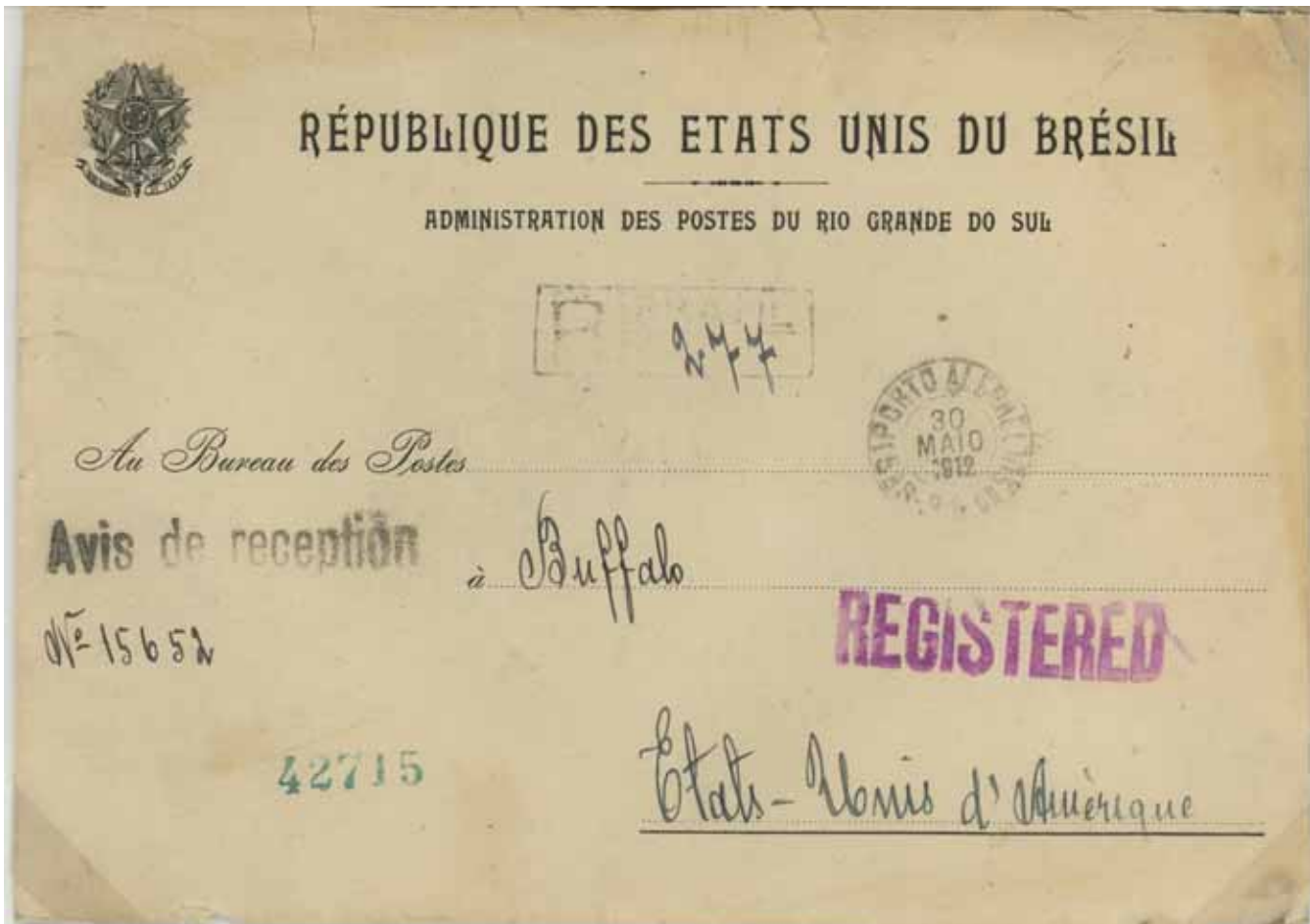
Returned from Leeds to Central or Campestre do Maranhão, 1903. No stamps, so presumably AR fee paid on cover (in this case), not consistent with pre-Vienna situation.

AR covering envelopes

Post-Vienna



Returned from Taubaté (São Paulo) to Buffalo, 1911. Returned as registered mail.



Porto Alegre (Rio Grande do Sul) to Buffalo, March 1912. Semi-provisional. Returned as registered mail.

AR covering envelopes (provisional)



Returned from Poços de Caldas (Minas Gerais) to Buffalo, March 1912. Returned as registered mail.



São Paulo to Buffalo, April 1912. Returned as non-registered mail.



AR covers

Vienna period



Paraná to Elsterberg (Germany), 1897. With standard boxed A.R. handstamp. The red rubber **Rückschein** handstamp applied in Germany on incoming AR mail. Rated 900 Rs; triple UPU at 200, registration at 200 Rs, and AR at 100 Rs.



Pernambuco to Manchester, 1898. With standard A.R. handstamp. Also faint rectangular BRAZIL R handstamp. Rated 1400 Rs; inexplicable. Received in damaged condition and sealed in UK.

Post-Vienna AR covers



Brazil to Manchester, 1900-01. Standard AR handstamp. Rated 2600 Rs???

AR covers



São Paulo to Leipzig, 1914. Standard AR handstamp. Rated 650 Rs, made up from 300 Rs registration, 150 Rs AR, and 200 Rs UPU-letter rate.

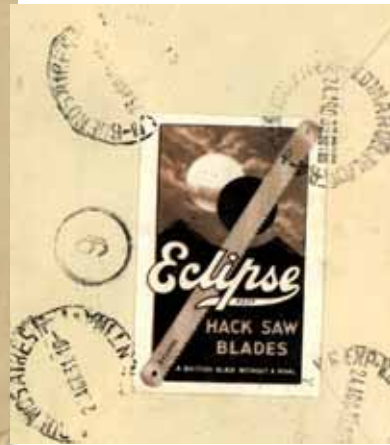


Rio to Seekonk, forwarded to Fall River (MA), 1918. Standard AR handstamp. Rated as above. U.S. censorship.

AR covers



Aldea Campista (District Federal) to Cassel (Germany), 1926. Standard handstamp A.R. Rated 1200 Rs, from 400 Rs for each of UPU, registration, and AR. Oddly, there are no backstamps.



São Paulo to Mar del Plata (Argentina), August 1931. Standard handstamp A.R. Rated 1200 Rs: domestic rates (as Argentina was a member of PUAS), registration 400 Rs, AR fee 300 Rs, and double letter rate, at 300 Rs for the first weight, and 200 Rs for each additional (January 1931–May 1934).

AR covers



São Paulo to Danzig, 1933. Standard AR handstamp. Rated 2100 Rs, made up from 700 Rs for each of UPU, registration, and AR.

AR covers



Brazil to Buenos Aires, 1942. Faint purple boxed A.R. handstamp. Rated 2000 Rs, made up of domestic AR fee (600 Rs), registration (800 Rs), and double domestic letter rate, at 400 Rs for the first weight, and 200 Rs for each additional. Argentina was a member of the PUAS. Brazilian censorship.



Brazil to Buenos Aires by air, 1942. Ms A. R. Rated 3600 Rs; would yield 1800 Rs airmail to Buenos Aires?? Same correspondence as above.

AR covers



Brazil to Costa Rica by air, 1948. Ms crayon *A. R.* Rated 5000 Rs???