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Recent Developments in the UPU - major issues of the 2011 CA Session

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Governance Issues (C 1)

Reform of the Union

- A proposal of general nature to strengthen coordination and cooperation between the Union and Restricted Union
- A proposal to apply to the UN General Assembly for the authority to request advisory opinions from the ICJ
- Proposals to establish general principles concerning the organization of extrabudgetary activities
- Rules concerning UPU observers at meetings
- UPU Structural tensions being studied by ad hoc group:
 - i. Conference on postal regulation:
 - ii. General revision of the Convention and its Regulations to delegate more power to the POC



Ad hoc group

- There are opportunities for Reform to support the Strategy and its implementation across five key areas:
 - i. UPU Structural Model
 - ii. Decision making
 - iii. UPU budget
 - iv. Involvement of wider postal sector stakeholders
 - v. New regulatory platform



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Interconnectivity

- Questions concerning ETOEs:
 - Since the 2008 Congress, the number of ETOEs has remarkably increased from 110 to 142.
 - 80% of ETOEs are operated by European designated operators and 50% of ETOEs are situated in three countries, i.e. USA, GB and Germany.
- ETOEs' operational and regulatory issues' survey: 35 member entities replied. The results will be presented at the IPG.
- Presentation of the study results on the implications of designating multiple operators by one country



Terminal Dues Governance Issues

- Principles for the future terminal dues system
 - i. To be supportive of the universal service obligations:
 - ii. To maintain the competitiveness of the letter post:
 - iii. To maintain cost-oriented terminal dues rates:
 - iv. To establish transition measures
 - v. To link terminal dues remuneration with quality:
 - vi. To be simple and easy to implement:
 - vii. To maintain the integrity of the int'l postal network:
 - viii. To provide non-discriminatory access to destination markets:
 - ix. To harmonize remuneration rates across services
- Role of the Council of Administration



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Development Cooperation (C 2)

Creation of a UPU emergency solidarity fund for countries affected by natural disasters and/or in special situations

- Establishment of the Administrative rules to manage the fund

Sustainable Development

- Developing a proposal to establish a set of minimum criterion concerning the CO₂ gas emission



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Finance and Administration (C 3)

- Approval of the Budget for 2012 to terminate all the projects and activities planned in line with the Nairobi Strategy, within the ceiling fixed by Congress
- With the introduction of the IPSAS system, there will be a single financial operating report.
- Results of the Human Resources Reflection Group - A proposal to continue to study various HR issues for the next cycle



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UPU Doha Postal Strategy (C 4)

- Fourth version of the draft Doha Postal Strategy
- Results of the Round Table meetings jointly organized by the Restricted Unions and the International Bureau:
 - 167 member countries attended RT meetings:
 - Generally supported the draft Doha Postal Strategy
 - Developed regional priorities and plan.
- Management of Congress resolutions and programme and budget impact statements



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Palestine – A draft resolution (Doc 18b) by Palestine, Qatar and Egypt

- To decide that Union MCs and their DOs need to
 - Abide by the applicable provisions of the UPU Convention and Regulations in accordance with resolution C 115/1999, regarding direct exchanges of mail and closed dispatches with Palestine
 - take all necessary steps for the settlement of terminal dues and other remunerations relating to the handling of parcels and EMS items on the basis of the Acts;
 - help Palestine to recover the sums owed to it in respect of direct mail exchanges,
- To instruct the DG to continue his efforts to implement direct postal exchanges, and all other decisions concerning Palestine, and to present a report to CA



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Forum on postal regulation

- Date :10 November 2012
- Subjects
 - Role of postal regular in the age of volume decreasing and substitution
 - Identifying the best policy for the sustainability of the postal sector
- Moderator: Tim Walsh
- Speakers: Belgium, Malaysia, Russia, Tanzania, EC, Thailand, Brail, Christian Jaag



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Thank you for your attention!

Any question?

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