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Niger – Illegal postage stamp issues

Dear Sir/Madam

The postal administration of **NIGER** asks me to inform you of the following:

"I would like to bring to your attention, so that you may so inform Union member countries, the issue and sale of several illegal sets of postage stamps bearing the name of Niger and distributed on Internet sites.

"While vehemently condemning this act of aggression against the sovereignty of a State and of piracy involving theft and the usurping of rights, Niger Post is asking all countries to help it combat this scourge which is tainting the image of our postal administrations and States.

"Niger Post also recalls that, as a member of the World Association for the Development of Philately, the stamps that it issues can be found on the WNS website (www.wnsstamps.ch).

"Niger is asking all UPU member countries to prohibit the circulation of such stamps in their territory.

"Niger is already undertaking measures to identify and prosecute those responsible for these illegal acts.

"For information, we have enclosed in the Annex a non-exhaustive list of the postage stamps illegally issued in the name of Niger and currently found on certain websites."

Yours faithfully,

K J S MCKEOWN
Director of Markets

Illegally issued postage stamps

Lady Diana (1997); Animaux du monde (1998); Life on earth; Princess Diamanked; Princess Diana & Elton J.; Les Beatles & Silivi Vartan; Elvis Presley (1998); Kennedy space center; Popey sailor; Antarcica–Roal 1911; Golf pro bobby 20th; Charle Charlin Douglas; GWTW GOLF; Joe DiMaggiol.; Butterflies; Pinochro Cartoon; Cartoon of 20th Century; Marly Monroe souvenir; Janis Jophin Souvenir; A somber Mto JFK (1999); Festival of fashion history; Festival of music history; Jean I. II en Afrique; Les grands acteurs Fce et Italie; Frank Sinatra et Princess Grace; Prince Diana et Elton John; Niger sheet let of train; Walt Disney souvenir; Millenium 1950–1959; Sidney olympic 2000; Nobel prize T. Roosevelt.