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Slovakia – Postage stamps

Dear Sir/Madam

The designated operator of **SLOVAKIA** asks me to inform the designated operators of Union member countries of the following:

"The euro will be introduced in Slovakia on 1 January 2009. From that date, Slovenská pošta, a.s will begin issuing postage stamps denominated in euros.

"Also from 1 January 2009 up to 31 December 2009, postage stamps with a face value in Slovak koruna (SKK) or in euros, or with no face value at all, will be available and may be used for the prepayment of postal services.

"Postage stamps with a face value in SKK will cease to be valid on 31 December 2009."

Yours faithfully,

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