

Berne, 4 December 2017 International Bureau Circular Egypt – Illegal issues

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The designated operator of **EGYPT**, National Post Organization of Egypt, asks me to inform the designated operators of other Unions member countries of the following:

"National Post Organization of Egypt has recently discovered that the series shown in Annex 1 are being sold and distributed as stamps produced by Egypt:

- Winter Olympic Games 2018 series (four issues on a miniature sheet);
- Renaissance Painters series (six issues on two miniature sheets);
- High-Speed Trains series (four issues on a miniature sheet);
- Napoleonic Wars series (four issues on a miniature sheet);
- Coins series (four issues on a miniature sheet).

"National Post Organization of Egypt confirms that these are illegal issues and are not valid as evidence of payment of postage. National Post Organization of Egypt strongly denounces and condemns such illegal issues. The issuance of these stamps is a flagrant violation of national legislation on postage stamp production and of the provisions of article 8 of the Universal Postal Convention, in accordance with which, only National Post Organization of Egypt is authorized to issue postage stamps on behalf of Egypt.

"National Post Organization of Egypt is calling upon the cooperation, solidarity and support of all UPU member countries and bodies to prohibit the sale and circulation of the illegal stamps, in accordance with Egyptian laws and regulations and the provisions of the Universal Postal Convention. The continued production and sale of illegal issues is a criminal activity, which is harming not only philately and the reputation of the country, but is also detrimental to all countries and the wider postal sector."

Yours faithfully,

Jean-Alexandre Ducrest Director of Logistics

Annex

Illegal issues denounced by National Post Organization of Egypt

Winter Olympic Games 2018



Napoleonic Wars

Coins

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High-Speed Trains



Renaissance Painters



