

Dear Sir/Madam,

The designated operator of the **SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC**, Syrian Post, wishes to inform other UPU member countries and their designated operators of the following:

“Syrian Post recently discovered that a series of stamps bearing the name of the country and pictures of the President is being sold and distributed as stamps produced by the Syrian Arab Republic. The series contains fifty-eight stamp designs in nine different miniature sheets (see Annex 1).

“Syrian Post confirms that these are illegal issues and are not valid as evidence of payment of postage. Syrian Post strongly condemns these issues, which are a flagrant violation of national legislation on postage stamp production and the provisions of article 6 of the Universal Postal Convention, according to which Syrian Post alone is authorized to issue postage stamps on behalf of the Syrian Arab Republic.

“Syrian Post calls for the cooperation, solidarity and support of all member countries and UPU bodies to prevent the sale and circulation of illegal stamps in accordance with the country’s 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 detrimental not only to philately and the reputation of the Syrian Arab Republic, but to all countries and the wider postal sector.”

Yours faithfully,

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Illegal issues denounced by Syria Post

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