

Dear Sir/Madam,

The designated operator of **MALI**, La Poste du Mali, wishes to inform the designated operators of all other UPU member countries that it recently became aware of the sheetlet reproduced in Annex 1, which is an illegal issue being sold and distributed as a postage stamp produced by Mali and bearing the name of the country and a face value in its currency.

La Poste du Mali strongly denounces and condemns the designing, printing and selling of this illegal stamp issue, and confirms that this issue does not constitute valid proof of the payment of postage.

Consequently, La Poste du Mali calls for the cooperation and support of all member countries of the Union and its bodies to prohibit the sale and circulation of this fraudulent issue, in accordance with their own regulations, as well as the provisions of the Universal Postal Convention.

The continued production and sale of illegal issues are dangerous activities which not only harm philately and the reputation of the country concerned, but are detrimental to all countries and the wider postal sector.

Yours faithfully,

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