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Subject: Appeal for cash contributions to the Special Fund for South–South Triangular Cooperation in 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

Each year, voluntary contributions to the Universal Postal Union Special Fund provide the Union with supplementary financing that supports the UPU's development cooperation initiatives.

In resolution C 63/2012 on UPU cooperation development policy for 2013–2016, the 25th UPU Congress invited Union member countries to continue contributing to the UPU Special Fund in order to provide funding for technical assistance activities, especially in the area of training.

In his 2017 Report to the General Assembly on the State of South–South Cooperation, the UN Secretary General mandated the UN Office for South–South Cooperation (UNOSSC) to coordinate, in consultation with the UN agencies, the preparation of the UN system-wide South–South cooperation strategy to “achieve more coherent and coordinated support by the United Nations system”. The UPU is actively engaged in this process of developing a UN system-wide strategy with the UNOSSC.

South–South cooperation is a broad framework for collaboration among developing countries, which can take place on a bilateral, regional, subregional or interregional basis. Collaboration in which traditional donor countries and multilateral organizations facilitate South–South initiatives through the provision of funding, training, and management and technological systems, as well as other forms of support, is referred to as “triangular cooperation”.

There have been various recent developments in South–South cooperation, including an increased volume of South–South trade, South–South flows of foreign direct investment, movements towards regional integration, technology transfers, and sharing of solutions, skills, expertise and resources, as well as other types of exchanges to meet development goals through concerted efforts. It is important for the postal sector to leverage these successful methods to reap similar benefits.

The priority objectives of UPU support are to:

- Underpin national and regional development efforts;
- Strengthen institutional and technical capacities;
- Improve the exchange of knowledge and experiences among developing countries;

- Respond to the specific development challenges of developing countries; and
- Increase the impact of international cooperation.

We trust that we can count on a contribution from you, and hope that you will send us a positive response so that we can launch the activities planned for 2020 under the Special Fund as soon as possible.

The UPU's bank account information is as follows:

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Many thanks in advance for your invaluable contribution, which will help to strengthen the bonds of solidarity among Union member countries.

Yours faithfully,

(signed.)

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