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To: Observers and ad hoc observers

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Subject: Invitation to the 27th Universal Postal Congress in Abidjan from 9 to 27 August 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have pleasure in inviting your organization to attend, as an observer, the 27th Universal Postal Congress, which will be held at the Hôtel Sofitel Ivoire in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire (Rep.), from 9 to 27 August 2021.

The government of Côte d'Ivoire and the UPU are fully committed to organizing the 27th Congress, which will reunite the global postal family on African soil for the third time in the UPU's history.

All Congress participants are required to register on the UPU's Event Management Platform at events.upu.int. Further instructions on the registration process can also be found on the dedicated 27th Congress page at www.upu.int/en/Universal-Postal-Union/About-UPU/Bodies/Congress.

Meanwhile, the host country's Congress website at upuabidjan2020.gouv.ci provides the following information:

- Congress schedule and documents;
- Dates of special events;
- Practical arrangements made for Congress delegates (accommodation, visas and logistics).

Please note that, at its first plenary session, the 27th Congress will be considering a proposal for its proceedings to be conducted in hybrid format (with both physical and remote participation). Should this proposal be approved, registered observers who are unable to travel to Abidjan for the meeting will be able to participate remotely through the UPU's virtual conferencing system.

In the meantime, the UPU International Bureau and the Permanent Secretariat of the Organizing Committee in Côte d'Ivoire are at your disposal for any additional information you may require, via the following addresses:

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I look forward to your organization's participation in this Congress, which will assist us in our efforts to address the multiple challenges facing the universal postal service.

Yours faithfully,

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Director General