

REPORT OF THE EACO POSTAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 27th JUNE 2024 AT SAFARI PARK HOTEL NAIROBI KENYA.

1.0 Introduction

The East African Communications Organisation (EACO) held its Postal Assembly meeting on 27thJune, 2024 at Safari Park Hotel. The meeting had participants from Uganda Communications Commission (UCC), Tanzania Posts Corporation (TPC) Regie Nationale des Postes (RNP) Burundi and Postal Corporation of Kenya (PCK),

The list of participants is attached as Annex 1.



2.0 Opening of the meeting

The meeting was opened by the outgoing Chairperson of EACO Postal Assembly Mr. Pacifique Munyeshongore, Director General Regie Nationale des Postes (RNP), Burundi who invited the members for self-introduction.

3.0 Election of the Bureau

The meeting elected the Bureau as follows:

Chairperson	: Mr. John Tonui represented by Milka Mugwe
1st Rapporteur	: Ms Regina Chero- Kenya

2nd Rapporteur : Mr. Charles Arinaitwe– Uganda

4.0 Adoption of the agenda

The agenda proposed was adopted and herewith attached as Annex 2.



5.0 Report of the outgoing Chairperson of the Postal Assembly

The report was presented by the outgoing Chairperson Assembly Pacifique Munyeshongore, Director General Regie Nationale des Postes (RNP), Burundi. It highlights the key achievements and challenges in implementations of different actions. The report of outgoing Postal Assembly Chairperson is attached as **Annex 3**.

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6.0 Handover of the outgoing to the incoming chairperson

After the presentation of the report, the outgoing Chairperson handed over to Ms Milka Mugwe, the General Manager Mail Service who was representing the incoming Chairperson Mr John Tonui the Postmaster General of Postal Corporation of Kenya. The outgoing Chairperson wished the team success in the accomplishment of the next cycle of activities, and also thanked the participants for their contributions.

The incoming chairperson thanked the outgoing Chairperson for the achievements and committed to execute the EACO vision as per the attached acceptance speech **Annex 4**

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8.0 Consideration of report of WG04 - Postal Service Development and Regulation

The WG4 report was presented by Chairperson Mr. Ferdinand Christian Kabyemela. The report is herein attached as **Annex 5**.



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9.0 Challenges

The following challenges were identified;

- Delay in providing inputs by some members;
- Budget constraints affected the attendance of physical meetings by members

10.0 Recommendations

Member Countries were urged;

- > To be proactive on the tasks assigned in order to complete WG4 tasks within the set timeframes.
- > To allocate budgetary support for their representatives to participate in the WG4 scheduled meetings

11.0 Consideration of cross-cutting issues for submission to the Joint Committee

- i. Addressing & Postcodes: Harmonisation of the Regional postal Addressing system and Post codes to facilitate cross border E- Commerce and trade.
- ii. Universal Service Fund (USF) to support postal services. In many countries, USF is under National Regulatory Authorities (NRAs) and there is a need to contribute to the development of postal sector.
- iii. Greening postal services: Facilitation of the Postal industry to adopt E-Solution e.g E-waste Management system, E-Bike and vehicles to enhance last mile connectivity.

12.0 Conclusion

The Postal Assembly:

- a. Adopted the report of outgoing chairperson of the Assembly.
- b. Noted and adopted the progress report of WG4 on Postal and Courier Service Development and Regulation.

13.0 Closing

The Chairperson of the Postal Assembly thanked all the participants for their achievements and encouraged them to continue improving. She thanked them also for their contributions during the Assembly meeting.

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