

**Agenda item: 15**  
**Report on UPU CA Matters Working Group**

<b>1- Subject</b> Report of the UPU CA Matters Working Group held on 07-07-2021 to the Executive Council.	<b>Reference/ Paragraph</b> Para 1 - 15
<b>2- Decisions Expected</b> The EC is to take note of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Update of CA (S9)</li><li>- Presentation on opening up of UPU by China</li><li>- Presentation on attending 27<sup>th</sup> Congress by Japan</li></ul>	Para 5 – 6 Para 7 – 9 Para 10

1. The meeting of the working group on “UPU CA Matters” was held on 07-07-2021.
2. Secretary General APPU, members of bureau and 73 delegates from 23 member countries, APP and observers attended. The member countries of working group are Australia, China, Iran, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Pakistan (Chair), Sri Lanka and Viet Nam.
3. Mr. Khalid Javed Director General Pakistan Post, Chair of UPU CA Matters Working Group, opened the meeting and welcomed all the participants. He briefed the meeting regarding the purpose of working group and the sequence, contents and the format of the meeting.
4. The detailed presentation on the activities and highlights of S9 session of CA was given by Mr. Farhan Ali Mirza Director International Postal Services of Pakistan Post which was followed by the presentation by China on Opening Up of UPU and a presentation by Japan on Visit Abidjan for 27<sup>th</sup> UPU Congress.

**CA Meeting (S9) Agenda:**

5. The Plenary session of Council of Administration (S9) was held on 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Mr. Hakan Gulten (Turkey) Chaired the (S9) session. After the adoption of agenda, the following agenda points were considered:

1. Report of Coordination Committee for the Permanent Bodies of the Union
2. Report of CA Management Committee
3. Report on the activities of the Postal Operations Council
4. Report on the activities of the Consultative Committee
5. Report on the activities of Committee 1
6. Report on the activities of Committee 2
7. Report on the activities of Committee 3
8. Report on the activities of Committee 4

9. Report on the activities of Committee 5
10. Report of the CA task force on the opening up of the UPU to wider postal sector players
11. 27<sup>th</sup> Congress-2021
  - a. Update on host country preparations for the 27<sup>th</sup> Congress – Communication by Cote d'Ivoire (Rep)
  - b. Update on substantive and logistical preparations for the 27<sup>th</sup> Congress – Presentation by the International Bureau
  - c. 27<sup>th</sup> Congress- Implementation of Exceptional CA decision 1/2020 – Report by the Secretary General
12. Report on the activities of the Council of Administration 2017-2020
13. Dates of the next sessions of the Council of Administration
14. Issuance of United Nations General Assembly resolution 73/295 – Report by the Bureau

6. A brief overview on the reports / presentations on the CA agenda points was given. A concise presentation on the activities of the CA Committees 1,2,3,4 and 5, Coordination Committee, CA Management Committee, POC, Consultative Committee, and Task Force on opening up the UPU was also given.

**Presentation by China on the opening up of the UPU to wider postal sector players:**

7. The presenter gave a concise but comprehensive overview of work done by the taskforce on the subject and segregated the topic in points as below:

- open the CC up to new membership categories, namely:

(1)academia, (2)civil society, (3)delivery service providers (non-DOs), (4)e-commerce platformers/retailers, (5)digital transformation/advance technology manufacturers, (6)financial service providers, (7)transportation companies (airlines, railways), and (8)others.

- Union member countries would no longer be able to be members of the CC in their own right; but CA and POC members could still participate in CC meetings as observers.

- The CA would continue to exercise oversight on the work of the CC, but would no longer be required to approve new CC members.

- The CC would still have the possibility of removing a member based on a specific mechanism to be defined in the CC Rules of Procedure.

- the CC would also be free to determine its own structure and organize meetings as deemed appropriate, but always within the boundaries endorsed by the CA through the aforementioned Rules of Procedure.

8. To hold an extraordinary Congress midway between the Abidjan Congress and the 2025 Congress (e.g. in 2023), particularly in order to address the examination of proposals associated with the further opening of the Union to wider postal sector players, as well as other urgent postal sector issues, for five working days at the maximum

**Presentation by Japan on Physical Attendance in 27<sup>th</sup> Congress of UPU at Abidjan:**

9. Japan gave a brief presentation on the physical attendance in the Abidjan Congress and supported the idea of physically attending the venue instead of remotely.

10. The Chair thanked all the delegates, observers and the members of bureau for helping in the arrangements and for the fruitful participation during the working group meeting and appreciated the efforts done by Secretary General and APPU Bureau for organizing the online meeting successfully and then closed the meeting.

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**Chair of the Working Group**