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Supply Chain Working Group

Presentation by India and China

Executive Council Meeting
Bangkok, Thailand
14 - 18 August 2023

Agenda

- Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

- Scope and methodology of Supply Chain WG this cycle

- Updates on UPU POC Committee 1 activities (S2 & S3 session)

- Details on EAD & ICS2

- Best Practice sharing by China Post

- Presentation by Sri Lanka Post on Re-mailing

- Q&A session

Scope & Methodology

- Follow UPU Postal Operational Council Committee 1

- Brief important decisions to member countries

- Find best practices from the region

- Analyze the future decision impact and,

- Suggest probable solutions

Scope and methodology of our WG this cycle

Responding to ICS2

- Updates on the latest standards and requirements on ICS2, as shared by the UPU

- IT system upgrade to ensure transmission of CARDIT/RESDIT, etc.

- Developing contingency plans based on each DO's specific situations

Scope and methodology of our WG this cycle

Continuously monitoring and improving the E2E quality, especially Leg2 and Leg3

- Much focus should be paid to E2E quality which determines your customer satisfaction

- Making full use of UPU Postal Transportation Guide

- Summarizing and sharing the instructions between Post and airlines when dealing with inbound mails handover

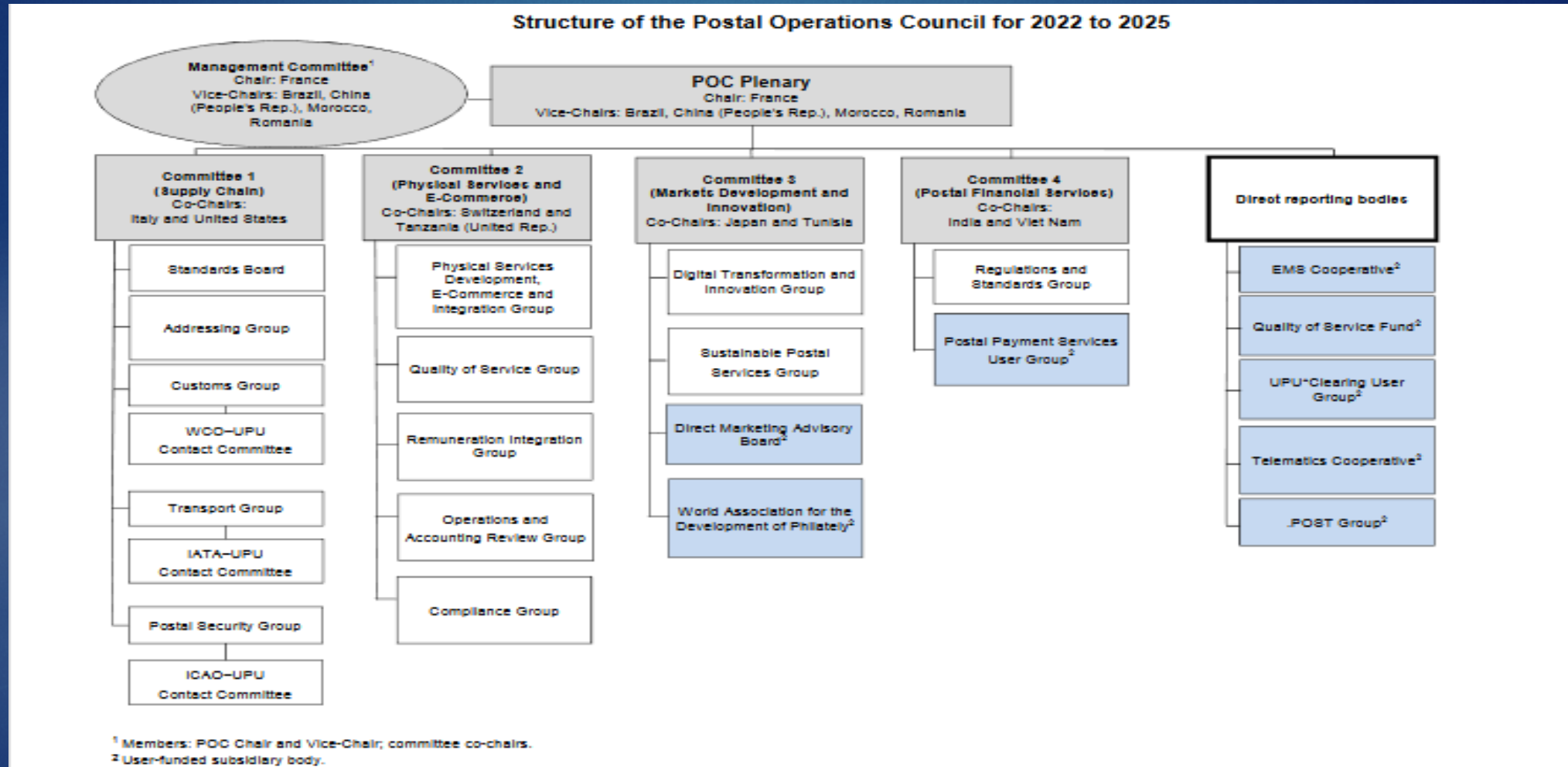- Participating in UPU Compliance Project to improve E2E service quality

Scope and methodology of our WG this cycle

Establishing good relationship with local Customs and Customs policies and information sharing
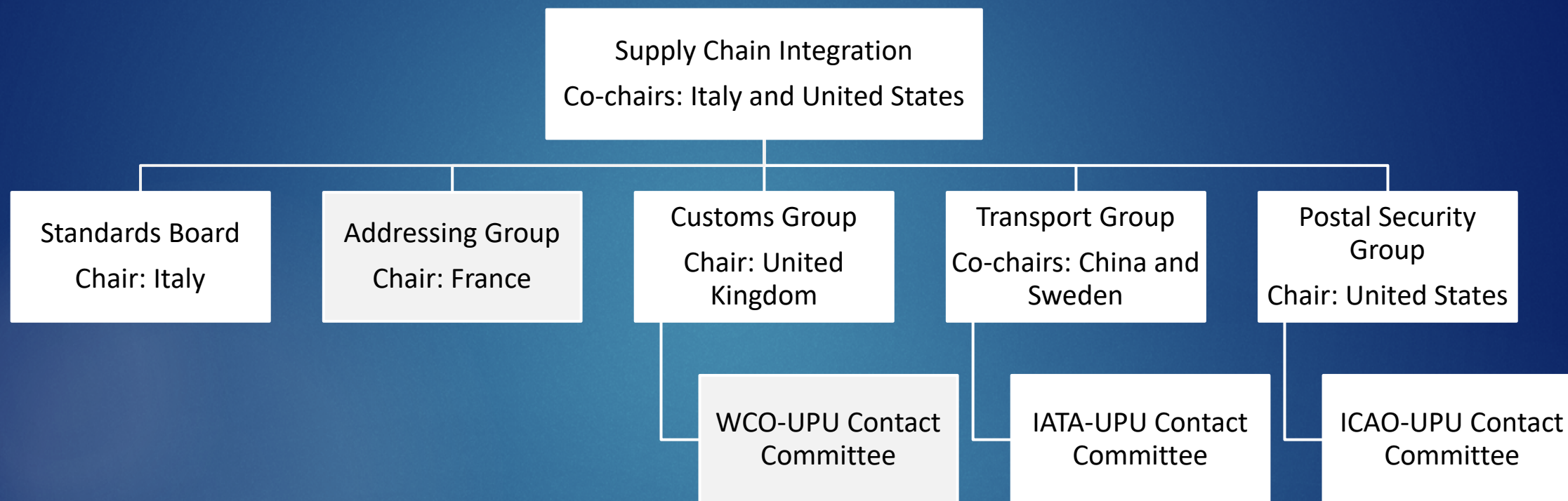
- Sharing and updating Customs policies (clearance, supervision, etc.) to other DOs
- Improving ITMATT quality (HS code, recipient address, etc.)
- Taking actions to limit prohibited and restricted items
- Managing to become Authorized Economic Operator (AEO)

Structure of the POC 2022-2025

Structure of the Postal Operations Council for 2022 to 2025

Structure of the POC Committee 1

Supply Chain Integration

Co-chairs: Italy and United States

Standards Board

Chair: Italy

Addressing Group

Chair: France

Customs Group

Chair: United Kingdom

Transport Group

Co-chairs: China and Sweden

Postal Security Group

Chair: United States

WCO-UPU Contact Committee

IATA-UPU Contact Committee

ICAO-UPU Contact Committee

Updates on UPU POC Committee 1 activities

Outcomes related to the Standards Board

- Progress of standardization activities and deliverables assigned to the SB for 2022–2025 were noted

- Approval of the proposed update to the POC Committee 1 work plan

- Committee took note of standards developments, enhancements and publications under the umbrella of deliverables D4, D8 and D9

- Grant of status 2 to standards S45, S47 and S49

Outcomes related to the Addressing Group

- POST*CODE DataBase:
  - Examined the applicability in the improvement of EAD quality
  - It approved the next steps for the work of expert teams 1 and 2

- Integration of Addressing & Geographical Information system:
  - Approved the recommendations made to secure funding for GIS integration activities to support the UPU's efforts in the area of digital transformation and modernization of postal services.
  - Approved the draft terms of reference for a feasibility study on the development of a postal spatial data infrastructure.
  - Approved the draft terms of reference for the organization of a forum on addressing and GIS integration during POC S4.

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- Committee endorsed the activities undertaken and progress made with a view to improving access to basic services and ensuring support for the Connect.post initiative.

- Approved the implementation roadmaps for the different linguistic versions of the training.

- The committee endorsed the updates made to the UPU knowledge center and the UPU publications on addressing.

- Noted, reviewed and approved modifications and streamlining of the deliverables assigned to the Addressing Group

Outcomes related to the Customs Group

- Took note of promotion of solutions, standards and capacity-building activities.

- Reviewed and approved the revised terms of reference of the WCO–UPU Contact Committee.

- The preliminary results of the 2022 EAD questionnaire was presented

Outcomes related to the Transport Group

- Approved the progress made by the Transport Group on deliverables D6, D7, D9, D10 and D15 due by S3;

- Took note of the Concept paper on handling EAD requirements for items sent in transit/transshipment and advised on and endorsed the next steps proposed to advance the work on this issue;

- Took note of ICAO's "International Airline Financial Statistics" for 2021.

  - Approved the basic airmail conveyance rate of 0.536 thousandths of an SDR per kilogramme of gross weight and per kilometre applicable at 1 January 2024

- Implementation of Import Control System 2 – Release 2 by EU and issues and affects of implementation relating to freedom of transit, decrease in volume etc.

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- During S2, committee adopted the proposals to amend the Convention Regulations: delete articles 17-132, 17-133, 17-134, 17-135, 17-136, 17-140, 17-141, 17-142, 17-219, 17-225, 17-226, 17-227, 17-228, 17-229, 17-230, 17-238, 27-101, 27-102, 27-103, 27-104, 27-105, 34-106; create articles 17-008bis, 17-008ter, 17-008quater, 17-008quinquies, 17-008sexies, 17-008septies, 17-008octies, 17-008nonies, 27-001, 27-001bis, 27-001ter, 27-001quater, 27-001quinquies, 34-001; and amend articles 27-201, 27-208; with 1 March 2023 as the date of entry into force.

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Purpose of the Amendments

- To harmonize and move the similar articles applying to both letter-post items and parcels to Volume I, the "Rules in common" section, of the Convention Regulations.

- Language in the corresponding new article in Volume I is more generic and neutral, while provisions specific to letter post or parcels are maintained and clarified so as to avoid generating inappropriate additional requirements or responsibilities for the relevant parties which are not currently in place.

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- EAD steering committee, presented the committee with an overview of the Global Postal Model conceptual approach for the handling of EAD requirements for items sent in transit/transhipment.

- Noted recent developments arising from regional requirements for transit/transhipment EAD that are not in line with the approaches originally proposed under the Global Postal Model.

- It outlined some of the steps and activities needed to advance the work on the conceptual approach, with the goal of eventually implementing a workable Global Postal Model solution that might be acceptable to all concerned parties.

Outcomes related to the Postal Security Group

- Approved the revisions to the dangerous goods training and certification guidelines on controlling the introduction of dangerous goods into postal networks as a living document

- The committee noted the ongoing capacity-building activities and approved the updated "Guidelines for the enactment of postal criminal laws" as a living document.

- The committee noted the progress on the development of the Dangerous Goods Search Tool and the upcoming pilot in October 2023

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- Committee noted the signing of a memorandum of understanding between the UPU and the Transnational Alliance to Combat Illicit Trade (TRACIT).

- Noted the ongoing work to conduct S58 and S59 security certifications, recognize security leaders within the postal sector and engage process review consultants in an effort to establish a robust worldwide security network

- Committee noted the continued work of the Illicit Goods Mitigation Expert Team and approved the brochure on illicit trade via small parcels through national Posts for submission to the POC Plenary for approval and subsequent dissemination to all UPU member countries

THANKS! ANY QUESTIONS?