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POLICY AND REGULATION COMMITTEE

POLICY AND LEGAL HARMONISATION WORKING GROUP
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POLICY AND LEGAL HARMONISATION WORKING GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE (ToRS)

1. Subject • Terms of Reference for the Policy and Legal Harmonization Working Group 2022-2025	1. Policy and Regulation Committee (PRC) Report, February 2022
2. Decision Expected • Note the ToRs of the Working Group	

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Policy and Legal Harmonization Working Group was created by the Policy and Regulation Committee at its inaugural meeting held from 22th to 24th February 2022, in Nairobi, Kenya. During the meeting the Terms of Reference for the Working Group were proposed and adopted.

2.0 TERMS OF REFERENCE (ToRS)

The purpose of the Legal and Policy Working Group is to ensure that the Pan African Postal Union complies with the law in all aspects of its work by providing oversight and review of the significant legal and policy affairs of the Union. The working group will oversee the review, development and formulation of national policies and legal frameworks of Member States.

The terms of reference are listed below:

i. Maintain Instruments and Regulations of the Union updated in line with current industry developments;
ii. Review and propose amendments and alignments of the Rules of Procedure of PAPU organs;
iii. Review and propose amendments to the Acts of the Union and other legal guidelines

iv. Develop procedures and detailed regulations for the implementation of the African Postal Guidelines;
v. Consider all amendments related to the UPU Acts and Regulations, and make appropriate recommendations;
vi. Receive reports and provide legal advice to the Union on any material governance investigation, litigation, contractual dispute or legal matter.
vii. Develop policy and legal framework for regulating the postal sector, including but not limited to the following:
    a. Delivery Logistics – IPP, Letters, parcels, small packets and ECOMPRO items;
    b. Digital Postal Financial Services;
    c. E-services:
    d. E-Commerce;
    e. E-Government services.

3.0 DECISION

The Working Group is called upon to take note and suggest any proposals to the ToRs and familiarize with the terms of reference to guide its work going forward.