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STRATEGY COMMITTEE (SC)
4th-6th July 2022 Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)

Subject: **Theme of the Pan African Post Day celebration for 2023**	**References/Paragraphs:** Resolution **N°03/PAPU/CA/85** adopted on 18th January 1985 in Harare, Zimbabwe, and approved by PAPU Plenipotentiary Conference during its 2nd session held in 1988 in Yaoundé, Cameroon.
Decision expected: For noting	

Introduction

By resolution N°03/PAPU/CA/85 adopted on 18th January 1985 in Harare, Zimbabwe, and approved by PAPU Plenipotentiary Conference during its 2nd session held in 1988 in Yaoundé, Cameroon, the Council directed the General Secretariat to propose a theme for the celebration of the Pan African Post Day on 18th January of each year during its annual sessions.

However, it is noted that since 1995, the practice has been the adoption by PAPU Plenipotentiary Conference of four (4) themes submitted by the Administrative Council to cover the period between two sessions.

Thus, the following four themes were adopted by the 10th Ordinary Session of the Plenipotentiary Conference held on 24-25 June 2021, in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe for the period 2022-2025:

2022	Harnessing synergies with players of the wider postal sector in Africa and beyond
2023	The Post: An established promoter of cross-border e-commerce in Africa
2024	Establishing an efficient customer claims management system
2025	The Post: A socially responsible industry for inclusive development

In line with the above, the theme chosen for the year 2023 is:

"The Post: An established promoter of cross-border e-commerce in Africa "

Arising from this, the Pan African Post Day will be celebrated on 18th January 2023 with this topical theme which is in line with Africa's identified priorities for this Congress cycle, notably the commitment to deliver innovative, integrated, and inclusive solutions.

Given the importance of this day, it is expected that PAPU Member States will hold celebrations by organizing a "**Customer's Day**" which will afford them an opportunity to discuss this theme.

The General Secretariat kindly requests this Administrative Council Session to take note of this document.