

Dear Sir/Madam,

The **RUSSIAN FEDERATION** wishes to inform the UPU member countries of the following:

"According to information available to the Russian Federation, postage stamps named "Kalmykia" and "Mordovia" are in open circulation and on sale in some overseas countries, and in the Netherlands in particular.

"The designated operator of the Russian Federation did not issue the postage stamps named "Kalmykia" and "Mordovia", nor does it plan to do so. These stamps were issued illegally and shall be regarded as counterfeit products."

Yours faithfully,

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