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Malawi – Illegal postage stamp issues

Dear Sir/Madam

The designated operator of **MALAWI** wishes to inform the designated operators of UPU member countries of the following:

"We would like to advise that the following stamps were not released by the designated operator of Malawi. As such, these stamp issues are illegal.

"The themes of the stamp issues in question are:

- Rugby World Cup sheet of 4 stamps (postage value 2 x 100 k) 2007.
- Mandela Gandhi-Dalai Lama Pope John Paul II: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £1.95).
- Barack Obama Malcolm X: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £4.88).
- Floral Coral: sheet Malawi 07 (postage £1.95).
- Horses: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £2.93).
- Minerals rotary: sheet Malawi 07 (postage £1.95).
- Birds Owl: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £1.95).
- Bees: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £1.95.
- Exotic fishes: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £2.93).
- Owls of the World: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £1.95).
- Rugby: sheet Malawi 07 (postage £1.95).
- Minerals Dinosaurs Scouts: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £1.95).
- Space Tsiolkovki: sheet (postage £2.44).
- Space Herbert Wells Romancier: sheet (postage £2.44).
- Space Wenher Von Brau USA Rocket: sheet (postage £1.95).
- Space Robert Goddard Fuss Restor: sheet (postage £1.95).
- Armstrong Gemini 8 Sputnik: Sheet 2007.
- First automobiles: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £1.95).
- Mushrooms: sheet Malawi 08 (postage £1.95).
- Basketball stars: sheet Malawi 07 (postage £1.95).

"Malawi would like to denounce and condemn the designing, printing and selling of these stamps, and warn perpetrators that every effort is being made to catch and bring them to book. The Government of Malawi is also involved in this exercise at the highest level."

Yours faithfully,

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