



**11th PAPU PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE
25-27 March, 2026, Kampala, Uganda**

FINAL COMMUNIQUÉ

1. INTRODUCTION

The Plenipotentiary Conference of the Pan African Postal Union (PAPU), held its 11th ordinary session at the Lake Victoria Serena Golf Resort & Spa in Kampala, Republic of Uganda from 25th to 27th March, 2026.

During the Official Opening Ceremony Remarks were delivered by the following dignitaries:

- Executive Director of Uganda Communications, Honorable, George William Nyombi Thembo;
- Secretary General of the Pan African Postal Union, Dr. Sifundo Chief Moyo;
- Chairperson of the PAPU Plenipotentiary Conference (Zimbabwe), Hon. Tatenda Annastacia Mavetera;
- Deputy Director General of the Universal Postal Union, Mr. Osvald Marjan;
- The Minister of ICT & National Guidance, Republic of Uganda, Hon. Dr. Chris Baryomunsi.

The Keynote Address and Official Opening of the 11th Ordinary Session of the PAPU Plenipotentiary Conference were done by the Guest of Honour, the Prime Minister of the Republic of Uganda, Her Excellency Rt. Hon. Robinah Nabbanja.

2. PARTICIPATION

The following PAPU members participated in the Conference:

Algeria, Benin, , Burundi, Cameroon, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, DR Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, Eswatini; Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

The following member states were absent: Angola, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Central African Republic, Comoros, Congo Republic, Eritrea, Equatorial Guinea, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Niger, Somalia, and Togo.

Participating as observers were the following countries, organizations, and institutions: UPU, CRASA, EACO, WAPCO, Mauritania, South Sudan, India Post, Group la Poste France, GovNet Services Uganda Ltd, RMIG, Kitsoft, Native logistics, Reason Solutions, Amarante, AFRALTI, ...

3. ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF BUREAU MEMBERS

The Plenipotentiary Conference elected the following Bureau:

Chairman	-	Uganda (East)
1 st Vice Chair	-	South Africa (South)
2 nd Vice Chair	-	Egypt (North)
Rapporteurs:	-	Burundi (Central) & (West)

The Western sub-region was requested to the General Secretariat on their representative to the PC Bureau.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND WORK PROGRAMME

During this session, the Plenipotentiary Conference considered the following key agenda items:

- a. Official Opening Ceremony;
- b. Meeting of Heads of Delegation;
- c. Opening Session of the Conference;
- d. Confirmation of Quorum;
- e. Adoption of the Agenda and Work programme;
- f. Election and installation of the Bureau;
- g. Statement of the Incoming Plenipotentiary Conference Chairperson;
- h. Statement by the Outgoing 10th Plenipotentiary Conference Chairperson;
- i. Consideration of the Provisional Report of the Ad-hoc Credentials Committee;

- j. Consideration and Approval of Legal Amendments;
- k. Quadrennial Activity Report of the Administrative Council Chairperson (2021-2026);
- l. Quadrennial Activity Report of the Secretary-General (2021-2026);
- m. Consideration and Adoption of the African Postal Strategy (2026-2030);
- n. Consideration and Approval of Quadrennial Programme of Activities for the period 2026/2027 – 2029/2030;
- o. Consideration and Approval of:
 - i. The ceilings of the Quadrennial Budget for the period 2026/2027 - 2029/2030;
 - ii. The Scale of Assessment for Member States/Associate Members mandatory financial contributions.
- p. Consideration and Approval of the Audited Financial Statements of the Union for the period 2021/2022 to 2025/2026;
- q. Consideration and Approval of the Final Report of the Ad-hoc Credentials Committee;
- r. Election of Members of PAPU Administrative Council;
- s. Election of the Secretary General and the Assistant Secretary General;
- t. Oath Taking of Elected officers;
- u. Date and venue of the 12th Ordinary Session of the PAPU Plenipotentiary Conference;
- v. Any other business;
- w. Closing session

The adoption of the agenda was proposed by Uganda and supported by Egypt and South Africa.

5. ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF PAPU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The following Administrative Council Members were elected for the cycle 2026/2027-2029/2030:

SUB-REGION	NO. OF SEATS	COUNCIL MEMBERS
Central	4	Burundi, Cameroon, D.R. Congo
East	5	Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda
North	3	Algeria, Egypt, Morocco
South	6	Botswana, Eswatini, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa
West	7	Benin, Nigeria
Total	<u>25</u>	

The General Secretariat was instructed to continue to consult and admit members to fill the vacant seats on first come first served basis.

6. ELECTION OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL

- a) **Secretary General:** Mr. Sifundo Chief Moyo of the Republic of Zimbabwe was re-elected to the post of PAPU Secretary General for the period 2026/2027-2029/2030 by acclamation, being the only candidate for the post.
- b) **Assistant Secretary General:** Voting was conducted for the post of PAPU Assistant Secretary General in respect of the following candidates:
 - i. Ms. Jessica Hope Ssengooba of the Republic of Uganda
 - ii. Mr. Bassirou Wade of Senegal

After four rounds of voting, Ms. Jessica Uwera Hope of the Republic of Uganda was duly elected for the post of PAPU Assistant Secretary General for the period 2026/2027-2029/2030.

Thereafter, the newly elected Secretary General and Assistant Secretary General took the oath of office.

7. DATE AND VENUE OF THE 12TH PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE

The General Secretariat informed the Conference that it will guide on the date of the Conference once consultations are concluded.

8. ADOPTION OF DECISIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE 11TH PLENIPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE

During the proceedings, the Plenipotentiary Conference made key decisions and resolutions (See Annex 1 attached)

9. VOTE OF THANKS

A vote of thanks was delivered by Namibia, on behalf of Conference, to the authorities of the Republic of Uganda for their warm welcome to all Member States and for their commitment to the cause of the Union.

Done in Kampala, Uganda on 27th March, 2026

Annex 1

Table of Decisions, Resolutions, and Recommendations of the 11th Ordinary Session of the Plenipotentiary Conference Kampala, Uganda, 25th to 27th March 2026		
S/N	DECISIONS	TITLE
1.	Decision No. 01/PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	Approving the Strategic Plan for the 2026-2030 quadrennial cycle The Plenipotentiary Conference of the Pan African Postal Union (PAPU), meeting during its 11 th
2.	Decision No. 02/PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On approval of the Quadrennial Programme of Activities of the Pan African Postal Union for the 2026/2030 cycle
3.	Decision No. 03/PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On adoption of scale of assessment for mandatory financial contribution to PAPU Budget
4.	Decision No. 04/PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On the fixing of the annual budget ceilings of the Pan African Postal Union for 2026/2027 – 2029/2030 quadrennial period
5.	Decision No. 05/PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	Adopting the proposed amendments to the Acts of the Union
6.	Decision No. 06/PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	Adopting the proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Conference
7.	Decision No. 07/PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	Adopting the proposed amendment to the Financial Regulations of PAPU
8.	Decision No. 0./PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On Reform of the Political and Regulatory Commission
9.	Decision No. 0./PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On Recruitment of an English-French Interpreter/Translator
S/N	RESOLUTIONS	TITLE
1.	Resolution No. 0./PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On adoption of the Chairperson of the Plenipotentiary Conference's Statement for the 2021-2026 Period
2.	Resolution No. 0./PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On the adoption of the reports of the Administrative Council for the quadrennial period 2021-2026
3.	Resolution No. 0./PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On adoption of the General Secretariat Report for the quadrennial period 2021-2026
4.	Resolution No. 0./PAPU/PC/XLIV/2026	On Extra ordinary provisions for the recovery of Member States mandatory outstanding financial contributions

