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Explanatory Memorandum for the Draft Decision of the ANRC President on Reporting Statistical Data by the Postal Service Providers

The draft of the present decision imposes on the postal service providers the obligation of reporting statistical data. A set of definitions in the legal provisions on the postal services sector have been used in order to prevent any misinterpretations of the terminology and to ensure a unitary approach of the methods of calculating the requested data.

The requested data mirror some indicators established depending on the postal service type:

- 1. Postal services within the scope of universal service
- 2. Postal services outside the scope of postal service

We deemed necessary to further detail the services within the scope of universal service, having regard to the need to monitor the services within the scope of universal service in order to guarantee all the users' right of access to universal service.

This decision was triggered by the necessity to build a data base which could offer a global image of the postal services market in Romania and to identify the development trends. The collected data shall be used by ANRC for:

- ✓ Grounding the regulations in the field;
- ✓ Drawing up studies and analyses;
- ✓ Drawing up reports to the international organisations in the field (the universal Postal Union, the European Commission, the European Committee for Postal Regulations etc.).

The project was elaborated based on the provisions of Article 44, paragraph f) of the Government Emergency Ordinance no.79/2002 the general regulatory framework for communications, approved, with modifications and completions, by Law no.591/2002, according to which one of the *ANRC* functions is *"to regulate the activities in the fields of electronic communications, postal services, and numbering resources, by adopting and implementing Decisions with normative and individual character, as well as functional, operational, and financial procedures whereby the policies in these fields are applied; to supervise and control the observance of these policies".*