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A weekly update of issues affecting international mail deliveries

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Country	Date Of Issue	Postal Impact H,M,L	Summary and Cause of Issue
France	20 Mar.	H	Postal services in France will again be seriously disrupted on 20 March due to a nationwide strike in a number of key industries. Postal unions are using the strike to renew their criticism of the planned restructuring of La Poste into a limited company.
Italy	17 Apr.	H	International postal operations (letter post, parcels and EMS items) have been gradually restored in the area affected by the earthquake in central Italy. Postal service is being provided by 11 mobile post offices installed on trucks, and officials will reopen the local post offices considered safe in L'Aquila and in other villages with postcodes 67000–67999.
	10 Apr.	H	Poste Italiane advises that, owing to the earthquake in central Italy on 6 April, all inward and outward international postal operations are currently suspended in the affected area, which covers the city of L'Aquila and many villages in postcode range 67000-67999.
Mexico	8 May	H	As a result of the health contingency plan and Mexican federal directives, the first five days of May 2009 have been declared non-working days throughout the country.
United Kingdom	29 May	H	Postal workers in London have voted overwhelmingly in favor of strike action in a row over jobs, threatening huge disruption to mail deliveries. The Communication Workers Union said its members in the capital backed industrial action by 9-1, although officials held back from naming any strike dates. The union is in dispute with the Royal Mail over jobs and conditions, claiming that services are being hit by "arbitrary" cuts.