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U.S. Postal Service Still Accepting Mail to Canada *Global Express Guaranteed Service Continues Without Delay*

WASHINGTON — Due to recent action by the Canadian government to introduce a bill designed to end the current strike by the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, the U.S. Postal Service will continue to accept mail destined for Canada for now.

“The Canadian government’s proactive measure provides the U.S. Postal Service with some measure of assurance that the strike would soon end,” said Giselle Valera, vice president, Global Business. “Therefore, to minimize service delays, we have decided to continue to accept mail destined for Canada, until further notice, and will hold that mail within our network. If the strike does not end soon, we will reevaluate this strategy.”

To avoid service disruptions or delays — regardless of the duration of the strike at Canada Post — U.S. Postal Service customers can continue to send letters and packages via the Postal Service’s Global Express Guaranteed (GXG) service. GXG is a premium, date-certain international shipping option with international transportation and delivery by FedEx Express. GXG is available online at www.usps.com and at thousands of participating retail locations throughout the United States.

“We recognize that the flow of mail to Canada is important to our customers,” added Valera. “We will continue to work closely with Canada Post to coordinate the dispatch of this mail once the situation is resolved.”

Additional information and updates regarding acceptance and movement of international mail is available at www.usps.com/communications/news/serviceupdates.htm.

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