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THE SITUATION OF THE POSTAL SERVICE IN GUATEMALA

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The private company El Correo de Guatemala S.A. stopped providing postal service nationally and internationally on August 18, 2016 because the Congress of the Republic refused to extend the contract for services. As a result no mail was distributed to, from or within Guatemala. This note summarizes the situation of the postal service of Guatemala in mid-January 2020.



Guatemala City Post Office Handling Internal Mail

On October 23, 2018 the Ministerial Agreement 2574-2018 was issued which contained the Internal Organic Regulations of the General Directorate of Posts and Telegraphs, and which was published in the official newspaper on October 30, 2018. That agreement was the legal basis for the mentioned public institution to operate the postal service of Guatemala. However, the total budget allocated to operate the service in 2019 was only 43.4 million quetzals (\$US5.6 million dollars), vastly