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Postal employees are sometimes offered gifts or decorations by foreign governments (as opposed to nongovernmental, private sector foreign companies) with which they interact, either here or abroad.

The Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act or the Constitution's Emoluments Clause may prohibit the acceptance of a gift or decoration from a foreign government. This includes international or multinational organizations whose members are foreign governments.

If a foreign government offers you a gift or decoration — such as an order, device, medal, badge, insignia, emblem or award — check with the Ethics Office for advice on whether it may be accepted.

When you follow the gift and decoration laws, you show our customers that postal employees have integrity and perform their duties impartially.

And that's smart business.