

Uber resumes services in Tanzania

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Ride-hailing giant Uber has resumed its services in Tanzania, it said on Wednesday, settling a fare dispute with the government.

Uber suspended services in the East African country last April after the



government introduced legislation capping maximum commission from <u>drivers</u> at 15 percent from the previous 33 percent.

Uber said the <u>new regulations</u> made it difficult to continue operating while the government defended them as maintaining competition and ensuring affordable taxis.

After months of negotiations, Tanzania's transport regulator last month allowed <u>ride-hailing</u> companies to charge up to 25 percent commission and a 3.5-percent booking fee.

"We are excited to kick off the year on such a positive note by reentering the Tanzanian market," Uber said in a statement.

"It is our priority to provide a platform where drivers can make substantial earnings while providing convenient and reliable options for riders In Tanzania."

The San Francisco-based company, founded in 2009, arrived in Tanzania in 2016, capitalizing on the country's low levels of personal car ownership and lack of efficient mass transport.

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