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## New Members

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1539 Pablo Franky.....	Etobicoke, ONT

## Deceased Member

We regret to announce that UNP life member Dmytro Bykovetz, Jr. of Melrose Park, PA passed away on February 4, 2008 at the age of 72.

## Cover Illustrations

**Front cover:** UNNY Coin and Flag mini-sheet issued March 6, 2008. **Rear cover:** UN Geneva and Vienna 2008 Coin and Flag mini-sheets.

## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

### Club News: The 2008 UNP Annual Meeting at STAMPSHOW in Hartford

The UNP will hold its 2008 Board Meeting and Annual Meeting in conjunction with the 2008 STAMPSHOW of the American Philatelic Society (APS) in Hartford, Connecticut. The show is being held at the Connecticut Convention Center located at 100 Columbus Boulevard August 14-17, 2008. There is no admission fee to this show but registration is required. You can pre-register at the APS website: [www.stamps.org](http://www.stamps.org). Information concerning the host hotel (Marriott at Adriaen's Landing) and alternates can also be found on the website. Bradley International Airport is located about 12 miles from the Convention Center. Airport transportation information is also on the APS website.

The STAMPSHOW organizers expect to have more than one hundred meetings and seminars during the four-day show. The show will include 150 dealers and will feature special booths, where all covers will sell for \$1 or less and all stamps for 10¢ or less. Show hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., except for the last day Sunday, when the show will close at 4 p.m.

The philatelic competition is expected to consist of more than 14,000 pages of exhibits, and will include Champion of Champions competition as well as sections for postal history, Cinderellas, Illustrated Mail, Revenues, Thematic, Youth, Single Frame and Picture Postcards.

The UNP Annual Meeting is expected to be held on Saturday August 16th in the early afternoon beginning approximately at 1 p.m. and will last about two hours. I plan to organize an informal "Show and Tell" session for the Annual Meeting. Please let me know if you would like to make a oral presentation so that I can prepare a program. UNP-President Tony Dewey has reserved an overhead projector and screen. I would ap-

preciate receiving the title of your presentation, which should be limited to ten to fifteen minutes.

UNP expects to have a club booth at the show, which it will have to man in order to recuperate the \$100 reservation fee. This show will provide UNP-members the opportunity to do a bit of recruiting for our specialty in hopes of expanding the membership rolls. I recommend that as soon as you arrive at STAMPSHOW, you should seek out the club booth to find out what last minute changes of club activities during the show. I would enjoy having the opportunity to see you again, if we have ever met, or to make your acquaintance, if we have not. I expect that we will organize opportunities for lunching and dining together. Members will be encouraged to attend the palmares dinner to be held Saturday night in support of those members who will be exhibiting.

All members attending the show are urged to volunteer to man the club booth for a minimum of two hours. There will be UN philatelic souvenirs to give out, including past issues of the Journal and UN stamps. If you have any UN-related items, that you would like to donate to prospective members, please bring them along.

This year our club journal "*Journal of United Nations Philatelists*" has been submitted in the literature competition.

The annual UNP Board meeting will also be held during the show probably Friday morning. If you know of any items that you would like to have discussed by the Board of Directors, please let UNP-Secretary Clem Clement know so that it can be added to the agenda.

Be sure to bring your want list of current United Nations Postal Administration products as it will have representatives at STAMPSHOW.

## NEW UNITED NATIONS COIN AND FLAG SERIES

By Richard Powers

On May 8, 2008 the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) issued the third installment of a series of stamps each displaying the flag and a coin from all the 192 current members of the United Nations. As usual the twenty-four members selected this year appear distributed among three mini-sheets (one for each for the post offices in New York, Geneva and Vienna) each containing eight stamps. The mini-sheets appear on the front and back covers of this issue of the *Journal*. Although the flags of 195 members have already appeared on UNNY stamps, this series lets the UNPA update the national flags which have changed since the original flag series began in 1980.

Actually of the 191 flags which had appeared on UN flag stamps by 2001, many are already redundant or out-of-date. In 1993 Czechoslovakia (Scott UNNY #355) broke up into the Czech Republic (#725) and Slovakia (#720). In 1990 the Federal Republic of Germany (#451) and the German Democratic Republic (#539) reunited. In 1990 Yemen (#532) and Democratic Yemen (#500) united. Thus, as of 2001, these 191 flags represent only 188 countries. Since the stamps of the first flag series issued in 2001, four new members have obtained UN membership: Tuvalu (2000), Timor Leste (2002), Switzerland (2002) and Montenegro (2006). This brought the total membership up to 192. The flags of these four appeared on simple flag stamps issued on February 2, 2007.

Several members have changed their names and/or boundaries: Burma became Myanmar. Byelorussia became Belarus in 1991. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (#456) was replaced by the Russian Federation in 1991. Yugoslavia (#333) was replaced by the Republic of Serbia in 2006.

Each coin-flag stamp pictures a flag and a coin. Presumably this series will be issued over a period of eight years, assuming no new members are added to the United Nations. This multiyear series will be in addition to the Endangered Species series and the Indigenous Art

series, which generally appear each year. Each stamp will have a UN logo in the adjacent selvage so that a tab single of each stamp can be had by buying a single mini-sheet.

Each stamp in the New York sheet bears a denomination of 41¢. The eight countries honored and the coins shown include:

Country	Coin
United Kingdom	2 pounds sterling
Singapore	5 Singapore dollars
Philippines	1 Philippino peso
Indonesia	500 Indonesian rupiahs
Colombia	500 Colombian pesos
Sri Lanka	10 Sri-Lanka rupees
United Arab Emirates	1 U.A.E. dirham
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	500 Libyan dinars.

Each stamp in the Geneva sheet bears a denomination of S. Fr. 0,85. The eight countries whose flags and coins are depicted include:

Country	Coin
Madagascar	1 Madagascar ariary
Rwanda	50 Rwandan francs
Namibia	5 Namibian dollars
Maldives	1 Maldivian rufiyaa
Benin	10 CFA francs
Iran	500 Iranian rials
Albania	10 Albanian leks
Turkey	1 new Turkish lira.

The stamps in the Vienna sheet bears a denomination of € 0,65. The eight countries featured and the coins shown include:

Country	Coin
Poland	5 zlotys
Latvia	1 lats
Sweden	1 Swedish krona
Cyprus	1 euro
Portugal	1 euro
Armenia	500 Armenian drams
Slovak Republic	1 Slovakian koruna
Quatar	50 Qatar dirhams.

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[www.un.org/overview/unmember](http://www.un.org/overview/unmember)



## 2008 UNITED NATIONS STAMP PROGRAM

(As of May 1, 2008 but subject to changes of date of issue and denomination.)

See the UNPA World Wide Web Site at <<http://www.un.org/Depts/UNPA>>

**January 27 Remembrance and Beyond (joint UN-Israel issue)**

41¢, F.s. 0,85, € 0,65

(3 mini-sheets of 9 stamps)

**January 28**

**Vienna Definitives**

€ 0,10, € 0,15, € 0,65, € 1,40

(4 sheets of 20 stamps)

Joint Silk FDC from UNNY, UNGeneva, UNVienna and Jerusalem

**March 6**

**Endangered Species**

41¢, F.s. 1,00, € 0,65

(3 sheets of 16 stamps with 4 blocks of 4 se-tenant stamps.)

Set of 3 maximum cards and 2008 Endangered Species Annual Collection Folder

FDC with Silk Cachet

**May 8**

**Coin and Flag Series**

**Personalized Sheet for Essen Exhibition**

41¢, F.s. 0.85, € 0,65, Personalized Sheet

(3 mini-sheets of 8 stamps, 1 sheet of 10 stamps of € 0,65)

Coin and Flag Collection Folder

**Personalized Sheet for World Stamp Championship Exhibition- Israel**

(Sheet of 10 stamps of 90¢)

**May 12**

**2008 Generic Personalized Sheets**

(Sheets of 20 stamps of 42¢ with 5 designs and 10 stamps of 94¢ with 1 design)

**Revalued New York Postal Stationery**

42¢ standard and legal-sized pre-stamped envelopes (revalued 41¢ envelopes issued in 2007)

94¢ air letter (revalued 90¢ air letter issued in 2007)

**June 6**

**Convention on the Rights of Disabled Persons**

42¢, 94¢, F.s. 1,00, F.s. 1,80, € 0,55, € 1,40

(6 sheets of 20 stamps)

**August 8 Sport for Peace - Games of the XXIX Olympics, Beijing China**

**Beijing Personalized Stamp Sheet**

42¢, 94¢, F.s. 1,00, F.s. 1,80, € 0,65, € 1,15, Souvenir Card, Personalized Sheet

(6 sheets of 20 stamps, 1 sheet of 10 stamps of 94¢)

**September 18**

**We Can End Poverty**

**WIPO 2008 Personalized Stamp Sheet**

42¢, 94¢, F.s. 1,00, F.s. 1,80, € 0,65, € 0,75, \$1, F.s. 3,00, € 2,10

(6 mini-sheets of 6 stamps, 3 souvenir sheets, 1 sheet of 10 stamps of € 1,40)

**October 30 International Year of Planet Earth (Climate Change)**

42¢, 94¢, F.s. 1,20, F.s. 1,80, € 0,65, € 1,15

(6 sheets of 20 stamps)

{3 Prestige Booklets with 12x(26¢, 42¢, F.s. 0,20, F.s. 0,50, € 0,30, € 0,35 )}

2008 Annual Collection Folders (New York, Geneva, Vienna)

## 2008 SLOGAN CANCELLATIONS

**January 2**

**United for Peace (continuation of 2007 slogan)**

## INTERESTING UN GENEVA PARCEL CARD

By B. Clement, Jr.

Here is an interesting parcel card used by the United Nations European Office (UNEO) in Geneva in 1964. Figure 1 shows the front of this card. The card was mailed from "ONU, Palais des Nations, Genève" to "Technical Assistance Board, Belgrade, Yugoslavia".

Gaines does not catalogue any parcel cards for UNEO. This card, PTT 318.40 (1845) XI.59, falls between the League parcel cards listed on Gaines page 1021 (the last listed one being 1845 IX.36) and the UN-Geneva parcel cards listed on Gaines page 687 (the first listed one being 318.40 X.67). The notation XI.59 denotes undoubtedly the month and year (November 1959) in which the card was printed. (Likewise Gaines does not list the registry label that goes on the parcel card under UNEO (the label that reads "294 Genève 10 Nations Unies"). Similar labels are listed in the League section, but none under UN-Geneva, although one is shown on the parcel card illustrated on page 687.

The reason I acquired this card is that it has a previously unknown UN-Geneva origin cachet, shown in Figure 2. Even though



Figure 2: English version of the Economat origin cachet in Geneva.

I am always pleased to find any unlisted origin cachet, I am particularly happy to find a new origin cachet from the UNEO era. One nice thing about this cachet is that it

gives "Supplies Service" as the English version of "ECONOMAT".

The franking on the card is noteworthy. There is a genuine service use of the UNEO S.f. 5 stamp, Scott #7033. To this was added a regular Swiss S.f. 10 stamp (#408), creating an example of mixed franking. There never was any S.f. 10 UNEO stamp, but two more UNEO S.f. 5 stamps could have been used instead to pay for the S.f. 15 franking.

The card is postmarked with the UNEO hand cancel April 14, 1964 at 6:00pm. The parcel was sent airmail, and was postmarked and another label added at the Zurich airport (Zürich 58 Flughafen) by the Swiss Customs Office on April 15, 1964. In Belgrade, another registry label (#7933) was added in the upper-left corner and a violet 4-line imprint in the Cyrillic alphabet dated April 22 was added.

The back of the parcel card is shown in Figure 3. The signature at the bottom apparently indicates the parcel was successfully delivered. For an unknown reason, a strip of five 50 dinar Yugoslavian stamps (#667) portraying a pond turtle was added and postmarked April 22. There is another imprint of the ECONOMAT origin cachet, across which was added the signature of the sender. A label in French says to notify the sender if the parcel could not be delivered.

What was in the parcel? I don't know. The contents (with no listed value) was listed simply as a "colis", which is French for parcel. This parcel weighed 5 kilograms (11 pounds).

Perhaps you can explain some of the questions raised by this interesting parcel card. Or maybe you have other parcel cards used by UNEO in the 1946-1969 time frame. Let me know. Help me make the story more complete.



# OUTSOURCED BULK MAIL OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS IN 1932

By Richard Powers

Whenever I receive mail from an office of the UN in one country that has been forwarded for mailing in another country to take advantage of cheaper postage rates, I am (often) disappointed. However, this (double) reply postcard sent by the League of Nations in 1932 to Mr. E. Lafont in Bordeaux, France using a French precanceled stamp to pay the local bulk rate is fascinating. It bears a precanceled 10-centime stamp (Scott #115). For some reason the card (Figures 1a and 1b) could not be delivered. As a result the normally uncanceled precanceled stamp was stamped with a cachet "RETOUR À L'ENVOYEUR" (return to sender). Near the stamp is a pencil notation which seems to say "Paris". Presumably the card was ultimately returned to the League of Nations in Geneva and not to the mailer in France as there is no indication of the mailer's return address in France. However, in the upper left corner of the stamped card is a pencil notation:

ret. I.L.A. / 4.IV.32.

This notation appears to direct the card to the I.L.A.(?) and appears to be dated April 7, 1932.

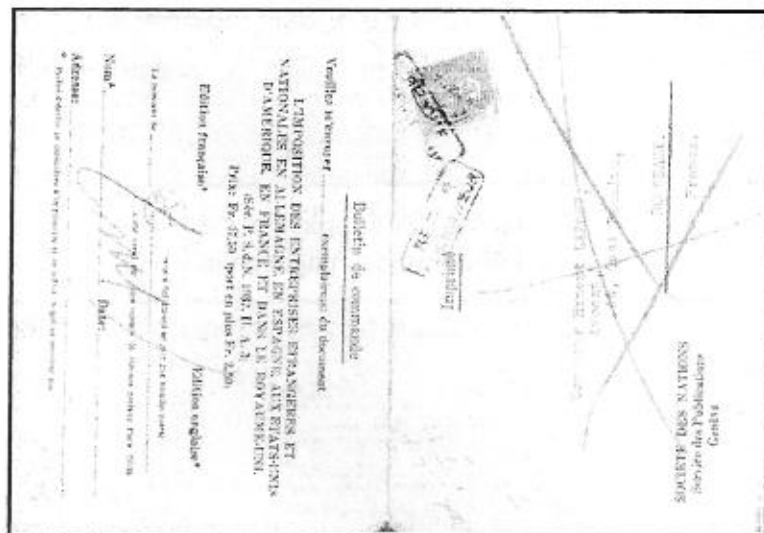


Figure 1a: Outer side of a (double) reply postcard sent by the League of Nations in 1932 via bulk rate using a precanceled French stamp with Return to Sender (RETOUR À L'ENVOYEUR) routing cancel on lower section. The order card (Bulletin de commande) to be returned bears a circled D/7 (probably a postman's mark).

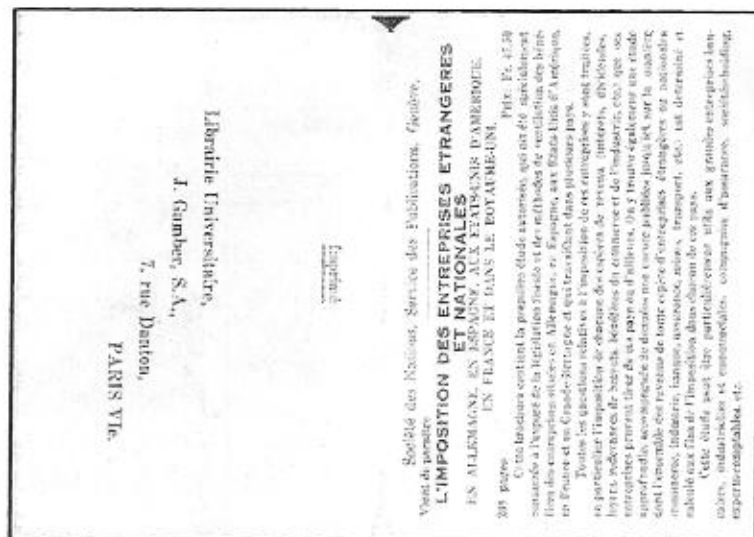


Figure 1b: Inner side of a (double) reply postcard showing the return address to the Librairie Universitaire in Paris on the reply portion (upper card) and the description of a 299-page book on the Taxation of Foreign and Domestic Businesses in Germany, Spain, the U.S.A., France and the U.K. offered for sale by the League of Nations.



## MARKETING EFFORTS TO UPU DELEGATES IN LONDON (1929)?

By Richard Powers

In the August 2005 issue of the *Journal* (page 20), I published a short article on a Cinderella label (Figure 1a) from the 1929 UPU Congress in London, which I discovered on eBay. At the time I noted that it had been prepared by a Parisian printing firm the "Institut de Gravure", perhaps in an effort to obtain a contract from one or more postal administrations at the UPU Congress.

Now eBay has provided me with Chapter 2 to this story. Figure 2 shows a modest looking cover addressed to the Peruvian Delegation at the IXth Postal Congress in London bearing a British stamp (Scott #189). A closer look at the stamp in Figure 1b shows that it is tied to the cover by a conference cancel (Gaines C9.1) dated May 1929.



Figure 1a UPU Cinderella and 1b 1929 UPU Congress cancel from cover in May 1929.

The rear of the envelope reveals the cover is from the "Institut de Gravure et d'Impres-

sion de Papiers-Valeur" in Paris. The engraved return address appears in Figure 3.

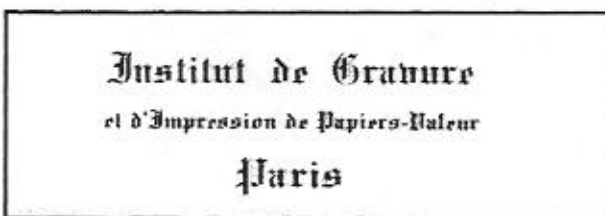


Figure 3: Return address of the sender from the rear of the envelope: "Institut de Gravure et d'Impression de Papiers-Valeur", Paris.

Presumably the sender of the cover and the producer of the Cinderella label are the same. Apparently the cover returned with the delegation to Peru and remained there until December 2007, when it was sent to me by a stamp dealer in Lima, Peru.

Since I wrote the original article about the Cinderella label, I was reminded of a possible twist to this story. As early as 1897, the French and U.S. Post Offices had proposed "International Postage Stamps" at the Washington UPU Congress, which would be valid for transporting letters between nations and presumably could be bought anywhere. In 1906 this idea was realized in the form of the International Reply Coupon (IRC), which is printed in Switzerland. Perhaps the Parisians were lobbying UPU delegations to favor replacing the IRCs with real stamps.

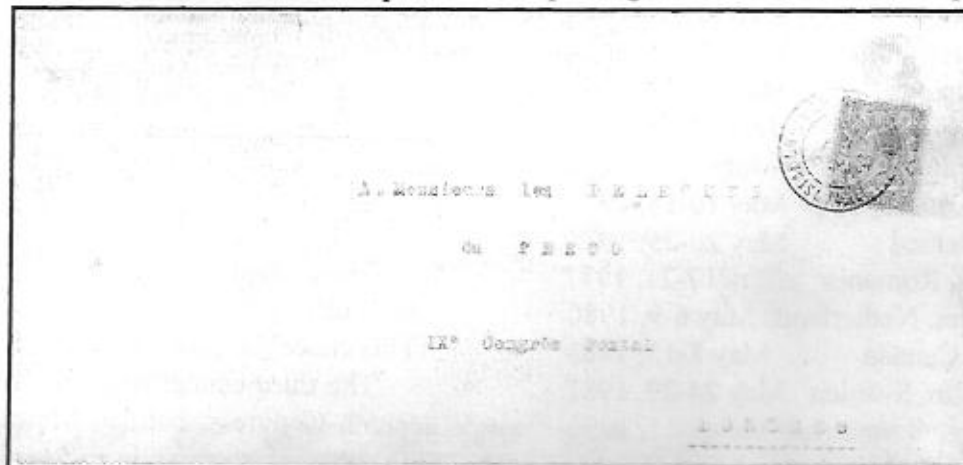


Figure 2: Cover to the Peruvian Delegation at the London UPU Congress in 1929.

# WORLD CONGRESSES ON SAFETY & HEALTH AT WORK 1955 – 2008

By B. Clement, Jr.

Every three years since 1955, a World Congress on Safety and Health at Work has been held, jointly sponsored by the International Labor Organization (ILO), the International Social Security Association (ISSA) and the National agency concerned with work safety. In all, seventeen congresses have been held, with the Eighteenth scheduled for 2008. This article will list these meetings, and document the postal history that has been uncovered to date.

These meetings have all been called a World Congress, but the wording has varied over the years. The First was called the World Congress on the Prevention of Work Accidents, and the second was the World Congress on the Prevention of Occupational Accidents. The Third through the Sixth were called World Congress on the Prevention of Employment Accidents and Occupational Diseases. The Seventh through the Sixteenth were called World Congress on Occupational Health and Safety. The Seventeenth and Eighteenth use World Congress on Safety and Health at Work.

Here is a listing of all of these congresses:

1. Rome, Italy	Apr. 2-6, 1955
2. Brussels, Belgium	May 19-24, 1958
3. Paris, France	May 22-27, 1961
4. London, England	July 13-18, 1964
5. Zagreb, Yugoslavia	July 2-9, 1967
6. Vienna, Austria	May 10-15, 1971
7. Dublin, Ireland	May 20-25, 1974
8. Bucharest, Romania	May 17-21, 1977
9. Amsterdam, Netherlands	May 6-9, 1980
10. Ottawa, Canada	May 8-13, 1983
11. Stockholm, Sweden	May 24-29, 1987
12. Hamburg, Germany	May 6-11, 1990
13. New Delhi, India	Apr. 4-8, 1993
14. Madrid, Spain	Apr. 22-26, 1996

15. Sao Paulo, Brazil	Apr. 12-16, 1999
16. Vienna, Austria	May 26-31, 2002
17. Orlando, FL, USA	Sep. 18-22, 2005
18. Seoul, Korea	June 29-July 2, 2008

Special cancellations have been identified for three of these congresses. The first is for the Third Congress, held in Paris in 1961. Figure 1 shows the hand cancel used at this congress and Figure 2 shows a slogan cancel for the congress. The slogan cancel found is dated June 5, eight days after the congress. This probably means the slogan cancel was a publicity cancel, and not used at the congress itself.



Figure 1: Hand cancel used at the Third Congress in Paris in 1961.



Figure 2: Slogan cancel noting the Paris Congress.

The second such cancel identified is for the Fifth Congress, held in Zagreb in 1967. This cancel is shown in Figure 3.

The third cancel found is for the Fourteenth Congress, held in Madrid in 1996. This cancel is shown in Figure 4.

I strongly suspect there are other spe-



Figure 3: Hand cancel used at the Fifth Congress in Zagreb in 1967.



Figure 4: Hand cancel used at the Fourteenth Congress in Madrid in 1996.

cial postmarks used for some of the other congresses, which have not yet been identified as such by UN collectors. Please help us to find them!

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### FIRST DAY OF USE OF METER SLOGAN AT WASHINGTON WHO REGIONAL OFFICE

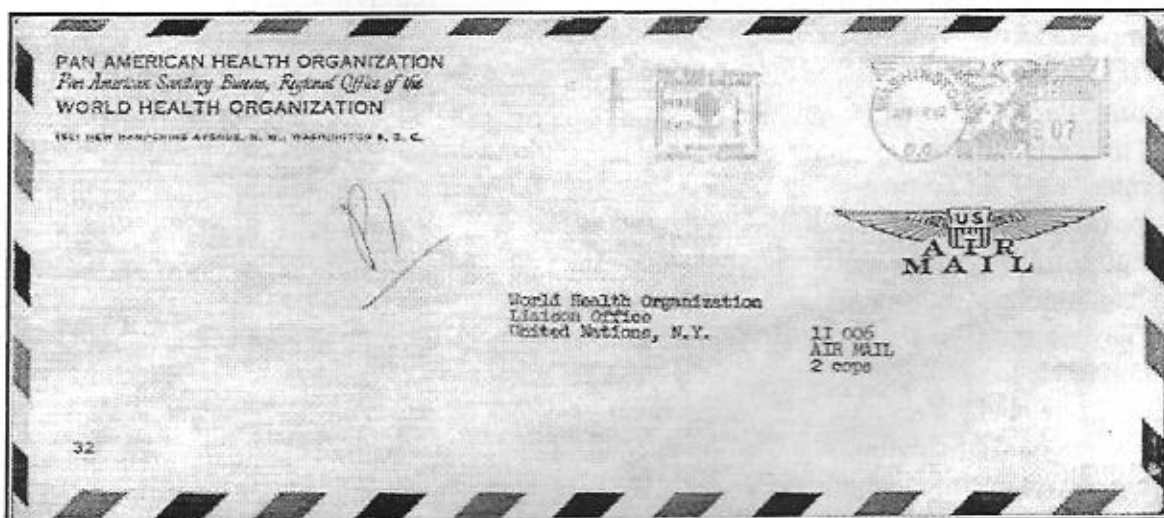
(Downloaded from on-line journal of Malaria Philatelists International, Vol. 7-2)

[www.malariastamps.com/mpi](http://www.malariastamps.com/mpi)

By Larry Fillion

In 1962, the World Health Organization (WHO) created a meter slogan cancel for the WHO Regional Office - Americas in Washington, D.C. FDCs were produced with the meter and dated April 7, 1962. This was the proposed day of issue for stamps and meters on the theme "The World Against Malaria Campaign". April

7th was on a Saturday and although the FDCs were canceled on that day, the WHO Regional Office was not open. The first day of real usage for the meter was Monday April 9th. Below is a First Day of Use cover. If any reader has other covers on this day or earlier, please contact me at [malariastamps@yahoo.com](mailto:malariastamps@yahoo.com).



WHO Regional Office service cover with meter slogan on its first day of use to WHO office at UNNY.



## A TOUR OF THE SELVAGE OF THE 1944 SWISS OFFICIAL STAMPS ISSUED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICES

By Richard Powers

When I first came across the sheet (Figure 1) of 3-centime stamps (Scott #2070) overprinted for use at the League of Nations (LoN) in Geneva, I was attracted to it because it demonstrates nicely the transition from the League of Nations to the United Nations. The stamps were issued on February 1, 1944 and were produced by overprinting a Swiss definitive (#227) first issued on November 2, 1936. They were valid for use at the League of Nations secretariat until March 31, 1947. This sheet received a CTO (cancel-to-order) cancellation on January 2, 1947, the first day of use at the Palais des Nations of a Geneva cancel with the legend "United Nations" instead of "Société des Nations". A similarly overprinted stamp (#3062) for use at the International Labor Bureau (ILB) was also released on February 1, 1944. Later that year a similar overprinted stamp (#401) for use at the International Bureau of Education (IBE) was issued on August 15, 1944.

But then I began to focus on the various printed numbers in the selvage. In the top selvage, which is perforated, one finds running totals of the price of complete columns to stamps relative to the left margin. Thus 0.15 fr would be the price of the five 3-centime stamps in the first column.

In the left selvage, which is partially perforated, next to the first stamp in the first row (position #1) one finds a lightly printed five-digit control number. In Figure 1 the sheet has a control number 71501. Farther down next to the first stamp in the fifth row (position #41) one finds a date 22 III 46 (March 22, 1946). Presumably these notations were added at the time the stamps underlying the overprint were printed.

In the lower selvage, which is fully perforated, there is a pane number 4 underneath position 41. According to the Zumstein

Catalogue, these stamps using a printing cylinder which produced four post office panes at once and which originally bore pane numbers in the color of the stamp I, II, III or IV and later 1, 2, 3 or 4 in Arabic numerals. Underneath position #50 one finds a second date. In this case the date is V 1946 printed in bold black the same color as the overprint. This date would correspond to May 1946. Clearly the pane number was printed when the underlying stamp was printed as it used the same ink.

Presumably the second date was added at the time that the overprint was added. This can be verified by looking at the variation in the position of the overprint on the stamp and its relation to the date below position #50. Figure 2 shows a pair of the 10-centime ILB stamps (#3064) from position #50. The overprint and date (I 1944) of the stamp on the left are both significantly shifted upward relative to the overprint and date (II 1944) of the stamp on the right. The placement of the overprint and date on the stamp on the right is more normal. Note that overprint on the left stamp is shifted about 2mm upward relative to the right stamp whereas its date is shifted nearly 4mm upward.



Figure 2: Pair of Stamps from position #50 with significant shifts of overprint and date.

Thus it appears that the underlying stamps of the pane in Figure 1 were printed on





Figure 1: Sheet of 3-centime Swiss stamps overprinted for use at the League of Nations in 1944 and postmarked on the first day of use (January 2, 1947) of the Geneva "United Nations" cancel.

March 22, 1946; whereas the overprint was added two months later in May 1946. Note that the presence of a Arabic numeral pane number indicates that the sheet was from a later printing of this definitive series which first appeared in 1936.

But the Swiss PTT is not always so generous with its selva legends. Figure 3 shows a sheet of the 5-centime stamp (#2071). In the left selva the control number 75091 is shifted down by a distance of one and one half stamp heights so that it is located between position 11 and 21. There is no pane printing date visible in this selva. Assuming the separation between control number and pane printing date is constant, the date would have shifted off the pane.

The pane plate number in the lower selva underneath position 41 is II, indicating that the underlying stamps are from an earlier printing than that of the pane in Figure 1. The date underneath position IX 1945 indicates an overprinting later than the original overprinting used for stamps released on February 1, 1944.

According to the Zumstein Catalogue the following overprinting dates for the League of Nations series #2070 to 2078 are known: II 1944 and IX 1945. Figure 1 proves that there is at least one other date for overprinting the 3-centime stamp (#2070): V 1946.

For the ILB series #3062 to 3070 Zumstein lists the following dates: I 1944, II 1944. I have also observed an overprinting of the 3-centime stamp (#3062) with the date X 1945.

For the IBE series #401 to 409 Zumstein gives no dates for the overprinting. I have seen a complete sheet of the 3-centime stamp (#401) with a date VII 1944 underneath position 50 in addition to the IBE sheet mentioned above. In the left selva there is a control number next to position 11 with the value 04352. But as in the case of the sheet in Figure 3, there is no indication of a printing date for the underlying stamps

near position 41. The IBE sheet has a strange pane printing number: ||. It appears to consist of four vertical lines with the third line twice as long as the other three. It appears in Figure 4. Presumably the underlying stamps were from an earlier printing.

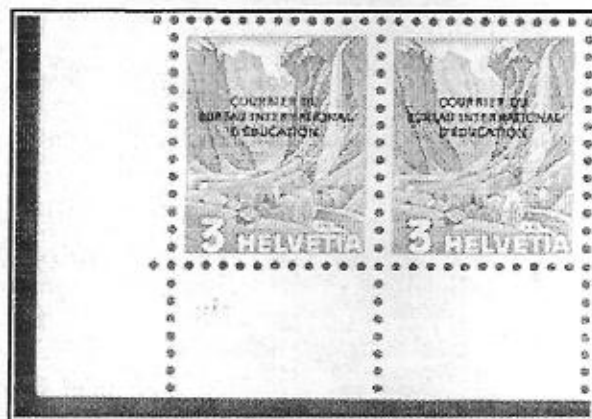


Figure 4: Pair of 3-centime IBE stamps from positions 41 and 42 with pane number ||.

James Matyasovich and Calvin Deem have sheets (Plate # 1) of the 1944 IBE (Scott 405) with the apparent printing date of 5 XII 46 and II 1948 overprinting date.

Based on a rather limited sample size of seven stamps from position 41 it seems that the appearance of a printing date for the underlying stamp is unusual. I have only seen two cases (including Figure 1) with such a date. Zumstein makes no mention of such printing dates at all for these three series discussed here: IBE #401-9, ILB #3062-70, LoN #2070-8. But if one wants to distinguish printings of the underlying stamps, one still has the style of the pane plate number. To distinguish the printings of the overprint one can use the date underneath position 50.

I have no reason to believe that the selva printing of the remaining stamps among these three series is different. I can document that next to position 50 the stamps LoN #2079-90, as well as most of the stamps among ILB #3071-82 have overprint dates.

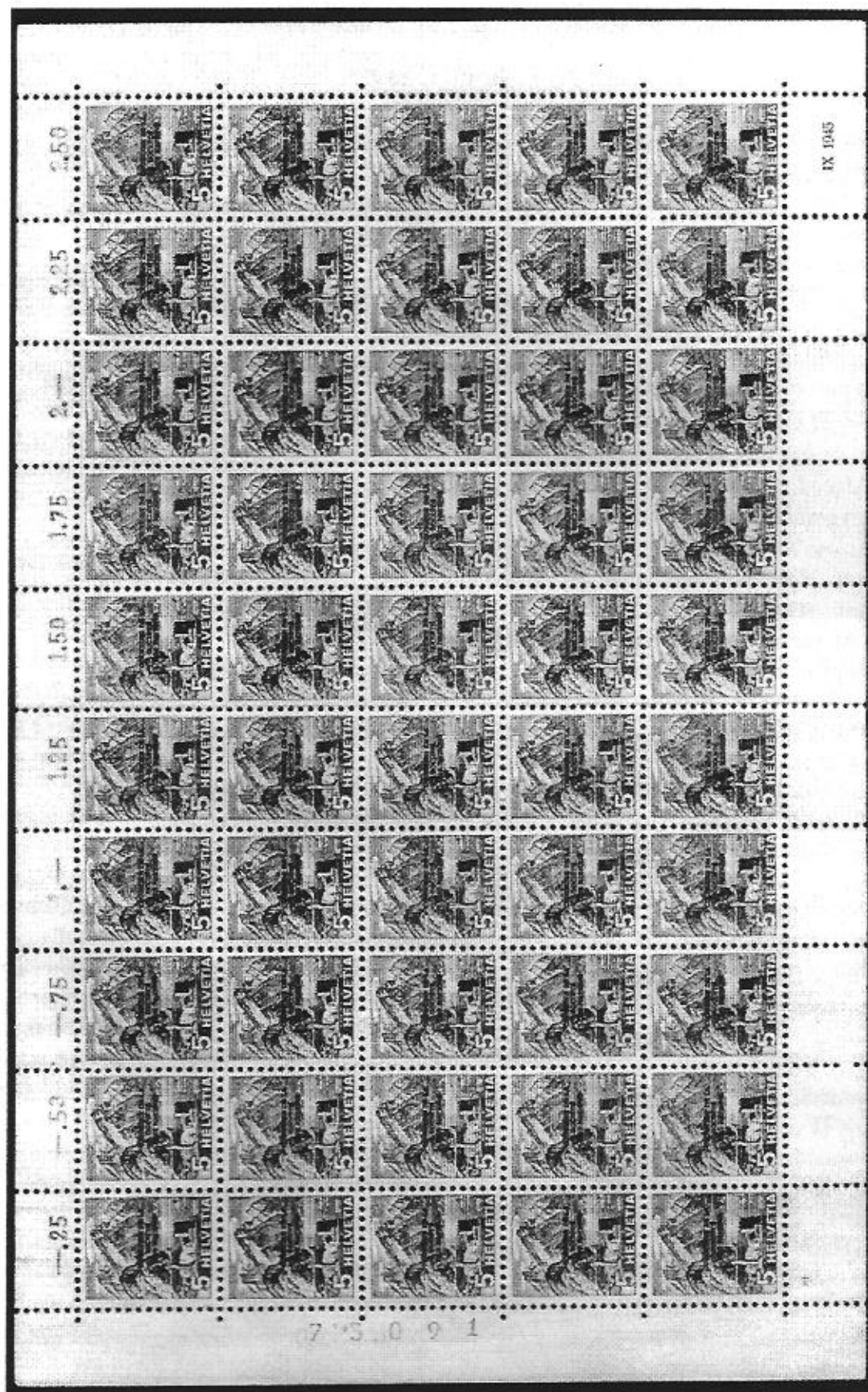


Figure 3: Sheet of 5-centime Swiss stamps overprinted for use at the League of Nations in 1944.



## UNDP ACTIVITIES IN THE VARDAR RIVER REGION OF YUGOSLAVIAN MACEDONIA

By Richard Powers

The name Macedonia refers to a region of the Balkan peninsula, which includes:

- the modern-day Republic of Macedonia, which is sometimes referred to by its official name as a member of the United Nations: Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM);
- the Constituent Republic of Macedonia, which was part of the Yugoslav Federation;
- a region of Greece also known as Greek Macedonia or Aegean Macedonia;
- Pirin Macedonia, an unofficial name for the Blagoevgrad Province, a region of Bulgaria.

Macedonia was the kingdom of Philip II and his son Alexander the Great (356 - 323BC). At various time it was part of the Roman Empire, the Byzantine Empire and the Ottoman Empire, beginning in 1689. After World War I Macedonia became part of the Kingdom of the Yugoslavia. At the end of World War II, Yugoslavia became a People's Federal Republic consisting of six constituent republics: Macedonia, Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Slovenia. In 1963, the federation became the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. Macedonia declared complete independence as a republic on September 8, 1991. In 2002 it had a population of about 2 million.

Geographically the modern day boundaries (Figure 1) of Macedonia (FYROM) essentially coincide with the drainage basin of the Vardar River, which takes its source in northwestern Macedonia near Vrutok/Gostivar, flows northeast to Skopje, the capital and then flows southeast to the Greek border. Here it changes its name to the Axios River and continues flowing toward the Aegean Sea. Macedonia is surrounded

by Greece, Bulgaria, Serbia and Albania. It may gain a new neighbor if the Kosovo region of Serbia (next to Albania) becomes independent.



Figure 1: The area drained by the Vardar River in Macedonia and the Axios River in Greece.

Figure 2 shows a 1968 service cover of the office in Skopje of the Vardar River Project of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). It bears four Yugoslavian stamps: 2×15 paras Scott #832 and 2×40 paras #835. Although I cannot identify specific non-emergency projects which were active in Macedonia at this point in time, I suspect they differ little from projects that are being monitored currently by the UNDP.

Current (2007) projects include:

- Restoration of the Golema Reka, the biggest and most important surface water flow in the Lake Prespa watershed;
- Integrated ecosystem management in the Lake Prespa Basin;



- Enabling activities for the preparation of Macedonia's Second National Communication on Climate Change;
- Development of national sustainable tourism strategy;
- Sustainable mining clean up and pollution management in Bucim and Lojano Mine;
- 2007 forest fire early recovery and prevention as part of natural disaster management;
- Friendly libraries for all citizens;
- Capacity building at the local and national level for Millennium Development Goals (MDG) based planning;
- Promoting electoral rights in terms of proxy and family voting.

The UNDP is often involved in emergency projects. Skopje, the capital of Macedonia, has been often subject to major floods of the Vardar River as well as to major earthquakes. A recent major flood occurred in 1962. A catastrophic earthquake occurred on July 26, 1963, which killed 1070 in the city. As a result 65% of the inhabitants of Skopje were left homeless. The estimated losses correspond to about 15% of the gross national product of the entire country of Yugoslavia.

Figure 3 shows a philatelic cover on service stationery of the UN Technical Assistance Board (TAB) and Special Fund in Skopje bearing 30- and 40-dinar Yugoslavian stamps (#732-3) honoring the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo created a year after the earthquake. The cover is addressed to: UN DAY at the philatelic exhibition NORDPOSTA 64 in Hamburg at P. O. Box 7371. The cover also bears the blue cachet of the Constituent Republic of Macedonia in the upper left corner. I suspect that this cover was part of a UN information program reminding the public of the remaining recovery work yet to be done in the aftermath of the Skopje earthquake.

The Gaines Catalogue (page 753) shows a similar cover (Figure 4) produced by the UNPA, which has the same destination and which contained information concerning United Nations stamps. The cover bears two UNEO service stamps (Switzerland #7022) and was postmarked in Geneva on October 14, 1964.



Figure 4: UNPA special flight cover sent to NORDPOSTA 64 in Hamburg.

On September 8, 1991 the Constituent Republic of Macedonia declared independence from the Yugoslav Federation. In 1993 the United Nations recognized the state as the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia as a compromise with Greece, which insisted that the name Macedonia should be reserved to a region within the Republic of Greece.

The following article deals with the peacekeeping operation of the United Nations in the FYROM known as the United Nations Prevention Deployment Force (UNPREDEP).

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Figure 2: 1968 UNDP service cover from the Vardar River Project in Skopje to the UN Technical Assistance Office in Geneva.

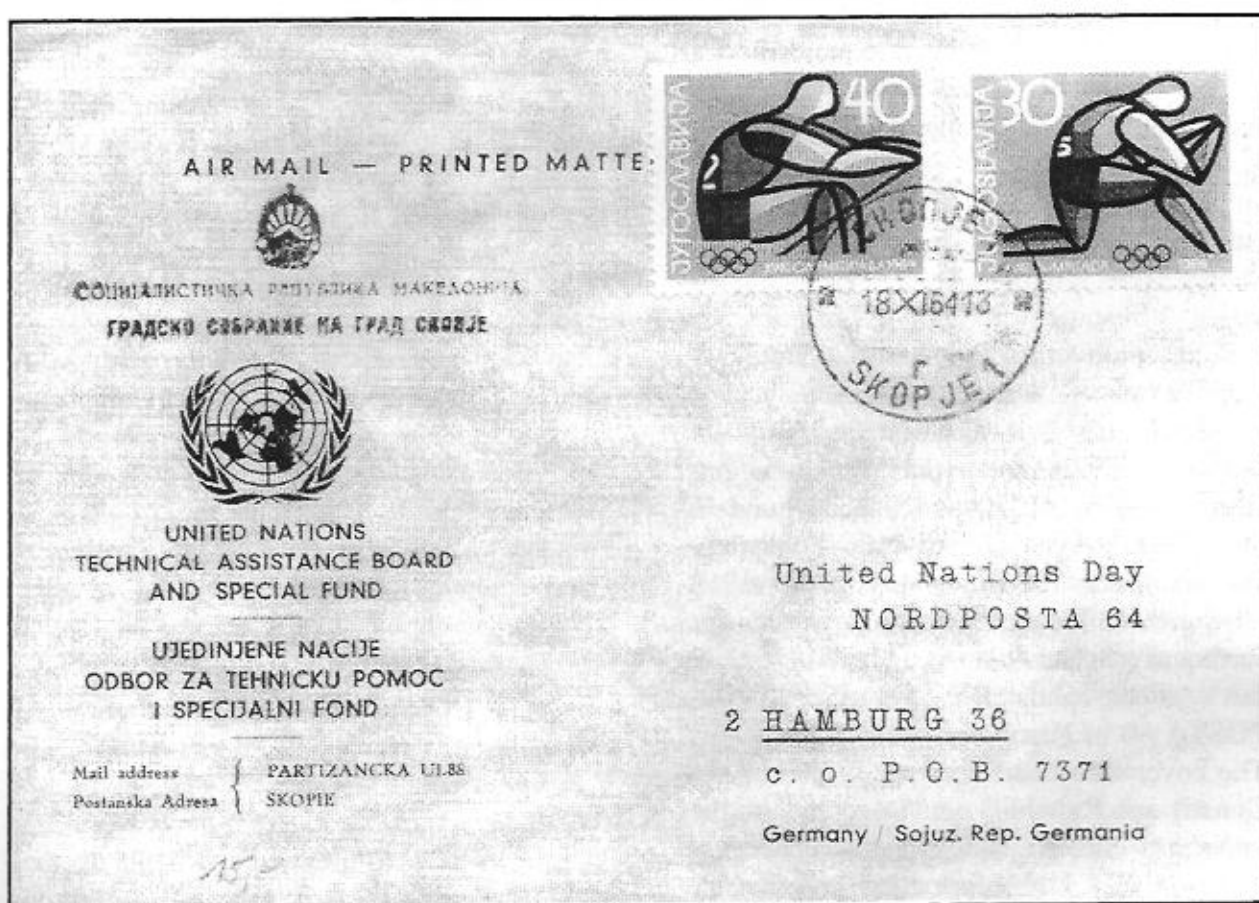


Figure 3: Philatelic cover postmarked in Skopje on October 18, 1964 on UNTAB and Special Fund stationery sent to Nordposta 64 in Hamburg on the occasion of UN Day.

# UNITED NATIONS PREVENTIVE DEPLOYMENT FORCE IN MACEDONIA

By Richard Powers

On November 11, 1992 the President of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM) requested the deployment of UN observers in view of his concern about the possible impact of fighting elsewhere in the former Yugoslavia. On December 9, 1992, the Secretary-General recommended to the Security Council an expansion of the mandate and strength of the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) to establish a UN presence on the borders of FYROM with Albania and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro). The headquarters was established in the capital Skopje.

On March 31, 1995 the Security Council replaced UNPROFOR by three separate but interlinked peacekeeping operations. Within FYROM the Council decided that UNPROFOR would be known as the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force (UNPREDEP) with mandate, responsibilities and composition identical to those in place. The Force's initial military commander was Brigadier-General Juha Engström (Finland), who was subsequently replaced by Brigadier-General Bo Lennart Wrangler (Sweden) in March 1996 as UNPREDEP Force commander.

The mandate continued until February 28,

1999, when its extension was blocked by the veto of a permanent member (China) of the Security Council. As of November 30, 1998, the Mission's total uniformed personnel strength was 906: 846 troops, 35 military observers and 25 civilian police. Contributing to this force were Argentina, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, Ghana, Indonesia, Ireland, Jordan, Kenya, Nepal, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Russian Federation, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and the United States.

Figure 1 shows a cover on service stationery of UNPREDEP bearing two Macedonian stamps: 20 dinars (Scott #56) honoring the 50th UN anniversary and 10 dinars (#14) postmarked February 10, 1997 in Skopje and sent to a military officer in Austria. A blue cachet of the UNPREDEP appears in the lower right corner of the cover. On the left side of the cover is a black (souvenir) cancel of Skopje dated October 17, 1995 honoring the 50th UN anniversary on October 24, 1995. The cover bears the name of the Force Commander (at the time) Brigadier-General Wrangler.

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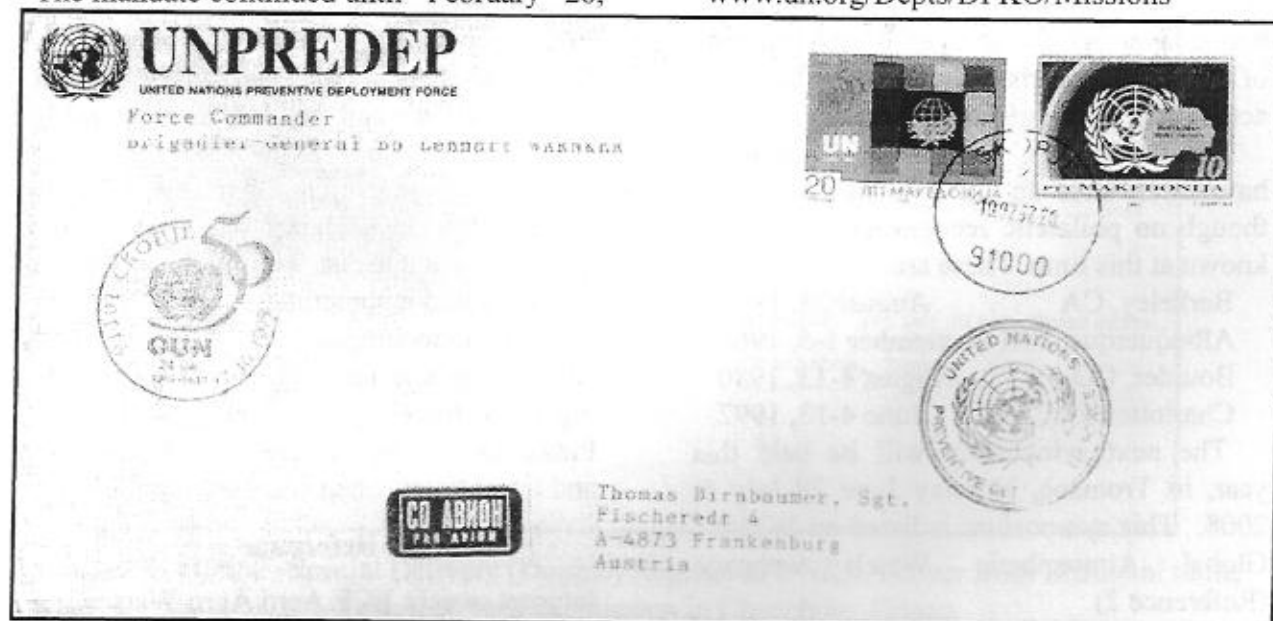


Figure 1: 1997 cover from FYROM bearing the corner card of UNPREDEP.



## QUADRENNIAL OZONE SYMPOSIUM - KOS, GREECE, 2004

By B. Clement, Jr.

The 20th Quadrennial Ozone Symposium was held in Kos, Greece June 1-8, 2004. The organizer of the symposium was the International Ozone Commission, and one of its sponsors was the World Meteorological Organization (WMO). The symposium has been held every four years since 1964, and more frequently in the years 1951 to 1963. The earlier name of the symposium was Symposium on Atmospheric Ozone. The special postmark used at the symposium is shown below. The cancel shows the chemical structure of ozone (three oxygen atoms in a triangle), but with the letters QOS for "Quadrennial Ozone Symposium".



The symposium, held on the Greek island of Kos in the Aegean Sea, marked twenty years of intensified basic research in atmospheric chemistry and physics and in global atmospheric monitoring. The problem of the ozone layer being destroyed by the presence of chlorofluorocarbons was recognized and acted upon by the global community.

Over the years, four of these symposia have been held in the United States, although no philatelic recognition of them is known at this time. These are:

Berkeley, CA	August 23, 1963
Albuquerque, NM	September 1-5, 1964
Boulder, CO	August 4-13, 1980
Charlottesville, VA	June 4-13, 1992

The next symposium will be held this year, in Tromsø, Norway June 29-July 5, 2008. This symposium is listed on WMO's Global Atmospheric Watch webpage (Reference 2).

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## 1978 POLISH ECE SEMINAR CANCEL DISCOVERY

By B. Clement, Jr.

Newly discovered is the Polish postmark shown below. This postmark, dated Warsaw, September 19, 1978, was used at an UN Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) Seminar held September 18-22, 1978. This seminar was on Trends in Airborne Equipment used for Agriculture.



In trying to search for information on such obscure meetings on the internet, one must keep trying different combinations of words. My first attempt used "ECE Seminar Warsaw 1978" and yielded nothing useful. Only when I used "ECE Aero Agro Warsaw" did I find a reference to this particular meeting. It is amazing what information exists on the internet, but one must be persistent to find it sometimes.

More undocumented postal history of UN conferences and meetings is out there, waiting to be found by a curious UN collector. Please be on the lookout for such material and let us know when you find something.

### Reference

Internet search: ECE Aero Agro Warsaw



## UNRRA AND THE YELLOW RIVER COMMISSION

By Richard Powers

Whenever I come across a United Nations-related cover of significant age, I check the corner card and the destination to see if I can glean information that may give insight as to the history behind the cover. The cover in Figure 1 from the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA) office in Shanghai provides such insight.

At first glance one sees a special delivery (double) registered UNRRA service cover bearing two 1945 Chinese stamps (Scott #611, 613) tied by Shanghai cancels which seem to contain a "35" among the Chinese characters. On the rear is a receiving cancel from Chenchow, Hunan, which appears to have a date 35.5.2(4?), which I believe corresponds to May 2(4)th in the 35th year of the Chinese Republic which would be 1946.

What makes the cover historically interesting is the destination:

Mr. O. J. Todd, Advisor  
Yellow River Commission  
Hua Mei Compound  
Chengchow, Honan.

Chenchow (now known as Chenzhou) is a city in southern Hunan province in China about 300 km northwest of Canton (now Guangzhou).

Mr. Todd was an American consulting civil

engineer associated with Chinese organizations, such as the Yellow River Commission, the Chihli or North China River Commission and the China International Famine Relief Commission since 1919. According to Mr. Todd in his article *The Yellow River Reharnessed*, the significance of this cover becomes clearer. "After nearly nine years at large, meandering over a broad belt of good farmland, the Yellow River has again been put under control. With the aid of staff, funds and critical materials furnished by UNRRA, this latest task of harnessing the floods of China's most unruly stream took a little more than a year, beginning in early 1946. The main flow was turned back into its old course in mid-March, 1947...The project was given top priority because of the effect it would have on the world's food supply and the prompt aid it would give China in her postwar emergency." Thus we have a specific example of post-World War II work by the UNRRA.

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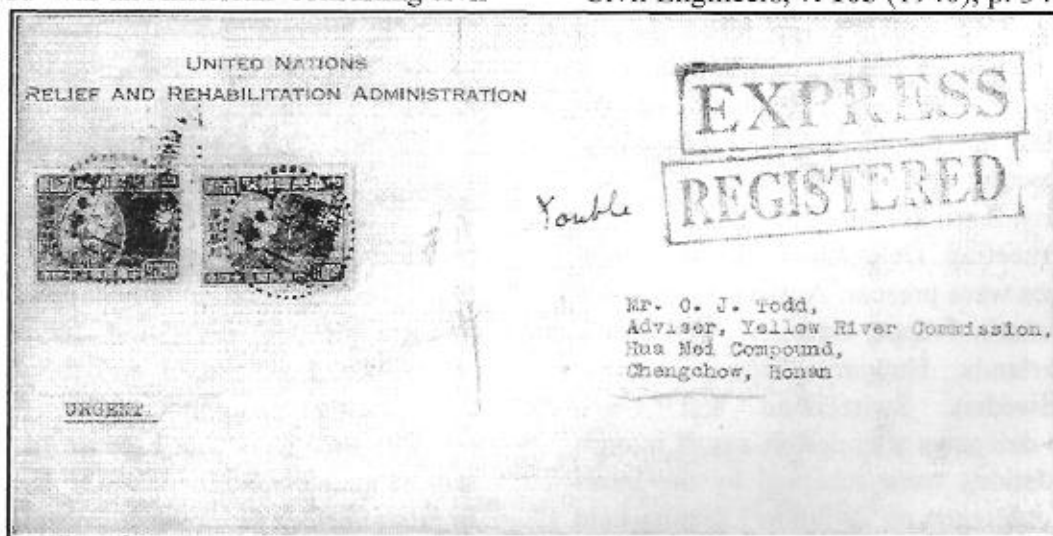


Figure 1: (1946?) Special Delivery (Double) Registered UNRRA cover from Shanghai to the Yellow River Commission in Chenchow, Hunan.

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AVIATION LIGHTING ICAO FORERUNNER: Berlin, April 28 - 30, 1930

By Albert Pelsser

The *International Commission on Illumination* - also known as the *Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage* (CIE) - is devoted to worldwide cooperation and the exchange of information on all matters relating to the science and art of light and lighting, color and vision, and image technology. With strong technical, scientific and cultural foundations, the CIE is an independent, non-profit organization that serves member countries on a voluntary basis. Since its inception in 1913, the CIE has become a professional organization and has been accepted as representing the best authority on the subject and is recognized as an international standardization body. The CIE headquarters are in Vienna, Austria and met in plenary session every three years (today at least once every four years). In each country, a National Committee studies the problems submitted by the Commission between General Assemblies.

In the years 1925-1930, night flights began to occur. Runway lighting caused a large number of new problems. As a result, the CIE created the *Study Committee on Aviation Lighting*. The first exchange of views on aviation took place at the general meeting of the CIE held in Saranac, USA in 1928. Aviation lighting was put on the agenda of the proposed general meeting to be held in 1931 in Cambridge, Great Britain. As all the issues included on the agenda of this meeting were new, a special preparatory meeting on aviation was held in Berlin, Germany, April 28-30, 1930.

At this meeting, Delegates from the following countries were present: Austria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Netherlands, Hungary, Japan, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland and USA. Around 90 delegates attended. A set of interim recommendations were accepted by the International Conference on Aviation Lighting held in Berlin; the various National Committees would have to consider these recommendations before being adopted by the Commission in

plenary session in 1931 in Cambridge. These recommendations were also submitted for advice to the International Commission for Air Navigation (ICAN), the organization that preceded ICAO.

These recommendations covered the following areas: lighting of air routes and airfields, aircraft lighting (lamps position, normalization of voltage, normalization of sockets, position of the filament lamps, landing headlamps).

In those days, other international organizations dealing with aviation had not neglected this vital issue of night flights. Thus, the various *Air Navigation International Congresses* (in French: *Congrès International de la Navigation Aérienne*) and the *First International Congress on Aerial Security* had reserved a large place to aviation lighting. But the intermittent nature of their work did not permit continued action like that of the International Commission on Illumination.

However, the states were long preoccupied with the issue of lighting, since the 1919 Convention relating to the Regulation of Aerial Navigation had issued detailed rules on lighting for aircraft and airfields. In addition, various *International Aeronautic Conferences* (*Conférences aéronautiques internationales*) had reported weaknesses and gaps in the rules.

From the international point of view, aviation lighting posed problems of different types to be respected by all, in the fields of aircraft, airfield and air routes. The differing views justified the intervention of various international bodies, such as the International Commission for Air Navigation, the International Aeronautic Conferences and the International Commission on Illumination.

The card shown in Figures 1a and 1b was sent as an announcement of the meeting of the International Commission on Illumination, Study Committee on Aviation Lighting, to be held in Berlin from 28 to 30 April 1930. After his registration, the U.K. Delegate, J.E. Ritchie,

franked the card with Germany Scott #C29 on the front and #C28, #C30 on the back (German eagle stamps issued on April 1, 1926) and sent

it back home on the opening day of the meeting (April 28, 1930). Pertinent information was carefully translated into English.



Figure 1a: Message side of postcard showing the Program of the 1930 Preparatory Meeting in Berlin of the Study Committee for Aviation Lighting of the International Commission on Illumination.

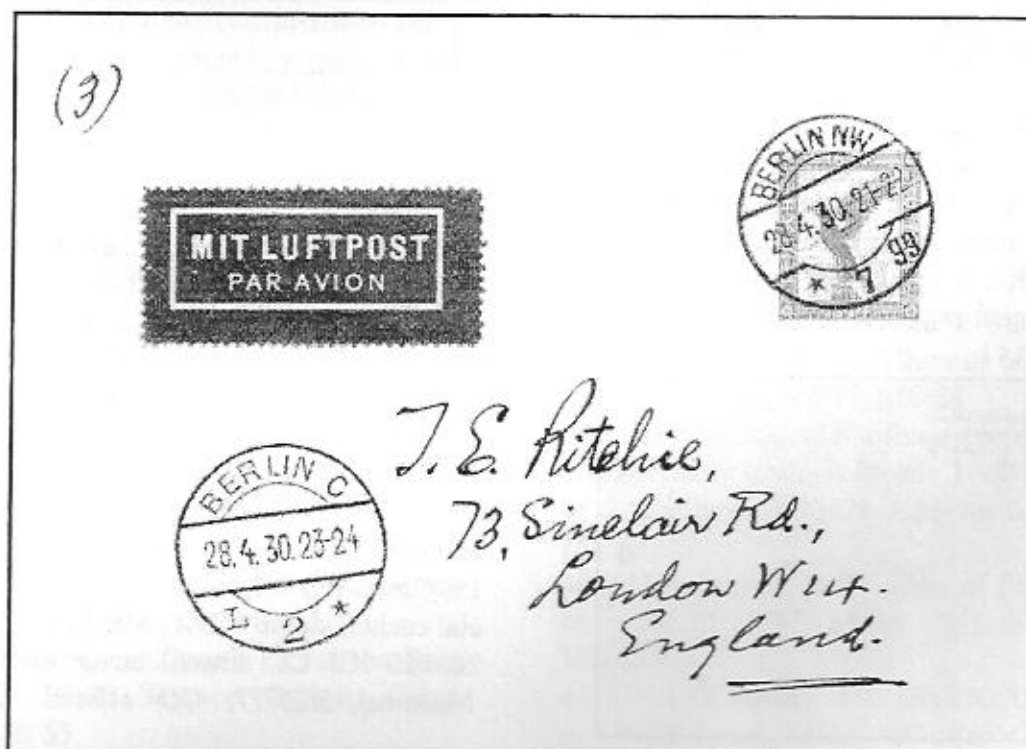


Figure 1b: Address side of postcard from 1930 Berlin Lighting Meeting.



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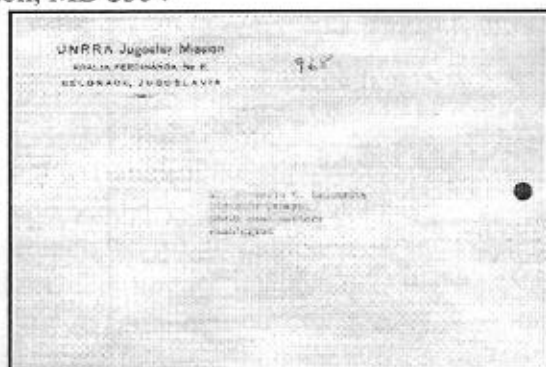
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**UNRRA (Gaines p. 1265-91)**

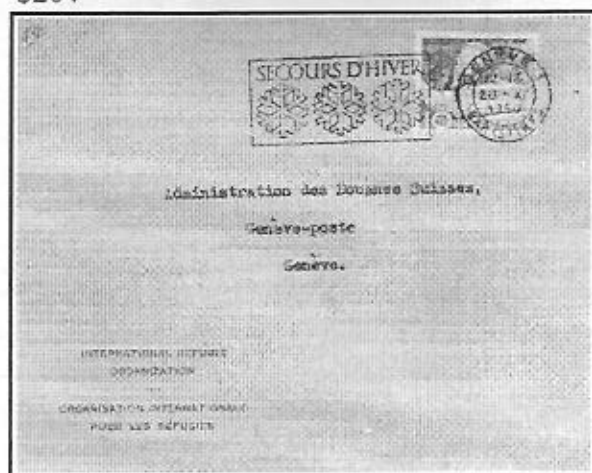
1. UNRRA-Belgium, Small UNRRA CC cover to USA, MB \$20
2. UNRRA-China, Shanghai, Small "Express Double Registered" cover to USA, MB \$25
3. UNRRA-China, Shanghai, #10 UNRRA CC "Air Mail Double Registered" cover to UNRRA-Washington, MB \$25
4. UNRRA-Egypt, #10 UNRRA CC cover sent pouch to UNRRA-Washington, MB \$20
5. UNRRA-Ethiopia, #10 UNRRA CC cover sent by pouch to Washington, then regular mail to CA, Ethiopia stamp postmarked Washington, MB \$35
6. UNRRA-Greece, #10 UNRRA CC cover to UNRRA-Washington, sent pouch, UNRRA-Greece dispatching mark, MB \$15
7. UNRRA-Palestine, #10 cover registered from Jerusalem to USA, unlisted in Gaines, MB \$30
8. UNRRA-Poland, #10 UNRRA CC cover sent pouch to UNRRA-Washington, MB \$35
9. UNRRA-Washington, #10 cover incoming by government courier from Treasury Dept., RUN 3 STOP 119 imprint, UNRRA Receiving mark on back, MB \$20
10. UNRRA-Yugoslavia, Small UNRRA CC cover sent pouch to UNRRA-Washington, MB \$35↓



**International Refugee Organization**

**(IRO), (Gaines p. 1301-08)**

11. PCIRO-Germany, small airmail cover to Canada, APO 154, HQ Area 2, MB \$10
12. IRO-Austria, small cover from IRO Kinderheim to USA, MB \$8
13. IRO-Switzerland, IRO CC cover from Geneva, 1950, regular Swiss stamp, MB \$20↓



14. IRO-Switzerland, #10 IRO CC cover, window, Geneva Depot meter 1575, 5/2/50, Origin cachet, Finance, in red box, MB \$60
15. IRO-Washington, #10 IRO CC cover to NY, IRO Slogan meter 12/14/48, small tear and wrinkles, MB \$25

**International Court of Justice (ICJ),**

**(Gaines p. 1351-69)**

16. C-2 card, Congress of Europe, O20-24, MB \$35
17. C-6 card, 8 new ICJ stamps, 4/20/51, MB \$20
18. Small ICJ CC cover to UN, 8/8/56, CIJ official cachet, strip of 3 of O36, lower left corner of cover trimmed off, MB \$15
19. Small ICJ CC cover, 1/28/61, CIJ official cachet, single O29.1, MB \$15
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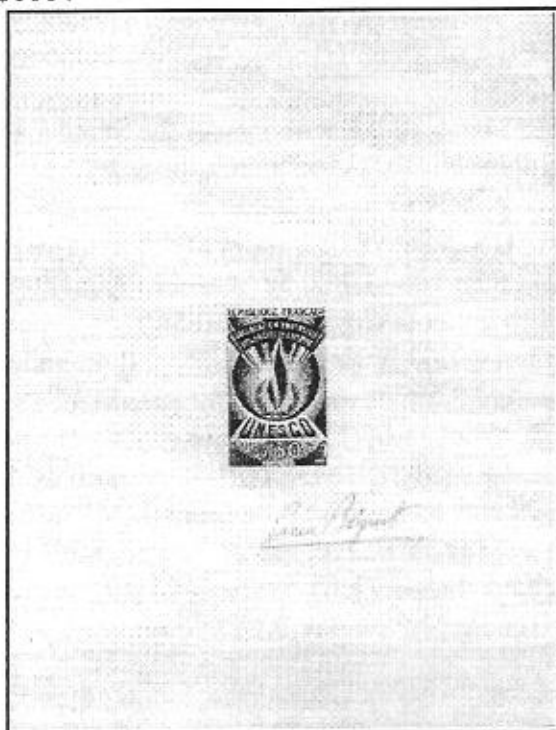
pair O40 and single O37, MB \$15

21. ICJ CC Manila cover, 260x186mm, to USA, CIJ official cachet, O54 and O56, 4/10/96, MB \$8

**UNESCO**, (Gaines, p. 1311-47)

22. 2o1-3, Collective proof, MB \$90

23. 2o9, 30c Master Die Proof, signed, MB \$100↓



24. 2o13-15, Collective proof, MB \$90

25. 2o21-23, Collective proof, MB \$90

26. 2o29-30, Collective proof, MB \$90

27. 2o31-33, Collective proof, MB \$90

28. Meter SC 0865, Slogan 2, 3/10/48 on small UNESCO CC cover to USA, small tears but attractive, MB \$35

29. Meter SC065, Slogan 3, 1/6/50 on small UNESCO CC airmail cover to US, MB \$20

30. Meter G1252(A), Slogan 4, 10/1/49, on UNESCO CC wrapper to Switzerland, MB \$6

31. Meter SC0865(A), Slogan 5A, on #10 UNESCO CC airmail cover to ICAO- Montreal, 12/18/50, 3 sides cut, MB \$5

32. UNESCO-Egypt, small CC cover from UNESCO Field Science Office, Cairo, 4/1/69, MB \$5

33. UNESCO-Sudan, #10 air mail CC cover from UNESCO Regional School Building Centre, Khartoum, to UNESCO-Paris, 3/9/65, MB \$5

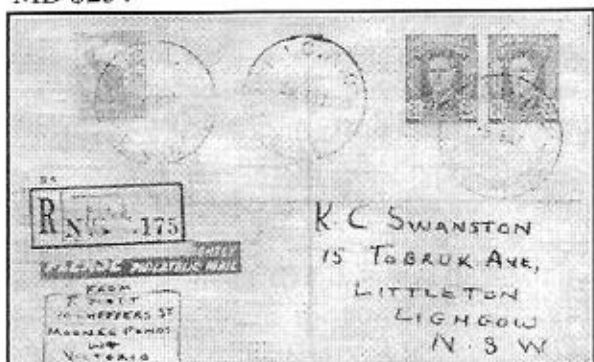
34. UNESCO-NY, #10 UNESCO-NY CC cover to ICAO-Montreal, UNESCO-NY origin cachet, UNNY meter PB 182488, UN Official Mail slogan, 3/30/51, beautiful, MB \$85

### **Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization (PICAO)**

(Gaines p. 1415-22)

35. Large manila cover (305x230mm), with CC and mailing label of PICAO, Meter PB 140498, 2/21/47, RARE, MB \$40

36. Small philatelic cover, PICAO Conference, Melbourne, Australia, 2/8/47, Gaines 1947/1, Special cancel and registry label, MB \$25↓



### **Miscellaneous Postal History**

37. ECAFE-Shanghai, Small CC airmail cover to Canada, 10/27/47, tape on back flap, MB \$25

38. UN-China, Small UN Lake Success CC airmail cover to USA, Chinese stamp and violet postmark, 6/7/47, MB \$8

39. UN-Somalia, #10 airmail cover, CC of UN Advisory Council for the Trust Territory of Somaliland, 2/13/60, tape on back flap, MB \$12

40. IAEA-Vienna, 0000 strike of first meter, on card, 11/29/57, Meter C(1), Slogan 1, MB \$35

41. UNIDO-Vienna, #10 UNIDO CC cover to UNDP-Israel, Meter "0" (See Gaines p.

1401), use of IAEA meter on 10/20/67, MB \$35

42. UN Korean Reconstruction Agency, #10 cover with UN 3¢ UPU stamp, 7/8/55, cover wrinkles, MB \$10

43. UN Appeal for Children, special French Red Cross card, "Sauvez l'Enfance" postmark, 5/30/48, violet UNAC cachet, beautiful, MB \$20

44. UN-Geneva telegram envelope & receipt, with 1211 Genève 10 Télégraphie Nations Unies "a" cancel 6/20/74, MB \$12

45. UN-Geneva, small mailed cover with FD of cancel S.2 (Gaines p. 1087), Genève 10 Nations Unies cancel with ERROR accent, 1/2/47, MB \$75

46. Brussels Fair 1958 (Gaines p. 1635-8), complete set of 16 UN stamps on two Type B Official FDC's, unaddressed, MB \$30

47. Brussels Fair, complete set of 16 stamps on two mailed covers to USA, cancel HC.1 and Registry label RM/1 on both, MB \$20

#### **UPU-Berne (Gaines p. 1181-1215)**

(UPU Service stamps 1-9

on service covers: lots 48-54)

48. 5c on small orange cover to UN-Geneva, 1/10/58, cancel S.1, MB \$5

49. 10c, 20c, 60c on small window cover, 8/8/58, cancel S.1, MB \$8

50. 10c, 30c on small cover to UNNY, 1976, cancel S.3c, MB \$5

51. 10c, 50c(2), 60c on small registered cover to ICAO-Montreal, cancel S.3d, MB \$7

52. 30c, 50c on small cover to NY, 12/6/76, cancel S.5, with card signed by UPU Director-General Sobhi, MB \$9

53. 40c on small window cover, 2/6/58, cancel S.1, MB \$8

54. 2f on #10 window cover, 3/17/69, cancel S.1, small tears on cover, MB \$6

#### **UPU meters (lots 55-60)**

55. Meter 478A, Mattenhof, 5/5/48, on card to ICAO-Montreal, UPU Origin cachet and ICAO Receiving mark, MB \$25

56. Meter 478A, 7/17/48, on small window cover, very nice, MB \$20

57. Meter 478A, 4/7/52, on small cover to ICAO-Montreal, UPU origin cachet, MB \$15

58. Meter 478B, Schosshalde, 1/31/53, on small cover to ICAO-Montreal, UPU origin cachet, MB \$10

59. Meter 478 with slogan for Hamburg UPU Congress, 1/16/84, #10 window cover, MB \$4

60. Meter 30054 with slogan for Seoul UPU Congress, 10/27/94, meter tape on manila piece, MB \$4

#### **UN-New York Errors and Varieties**

61. 17b-18b, UPU 3¢ and 5¢, MI Bk-4's with gutter perforations, MB \$60

62. 147b, 15¢ definitive, MI Bk-4, yellow shifted 3mm down & 1 mm right, MB \$20

63. 149.1 a-b, 25¢ definitive, Lower MI Bk-15 with BUNDESDRUCKEREI BERLIN and accent over 5 on left MI, MB \$20

64. C13, 1968 20¢ Airmail, blk-4 with one stamp (upper left) with 1×13mm gap in purple/green overlay, MB \$30↓



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65. UNNY Flag stamp FDC's, 1980-1989, on #10 Delegation CC unaddressed covers, 45 different, including USA, USSR, France, UK & Germany, MB \$45

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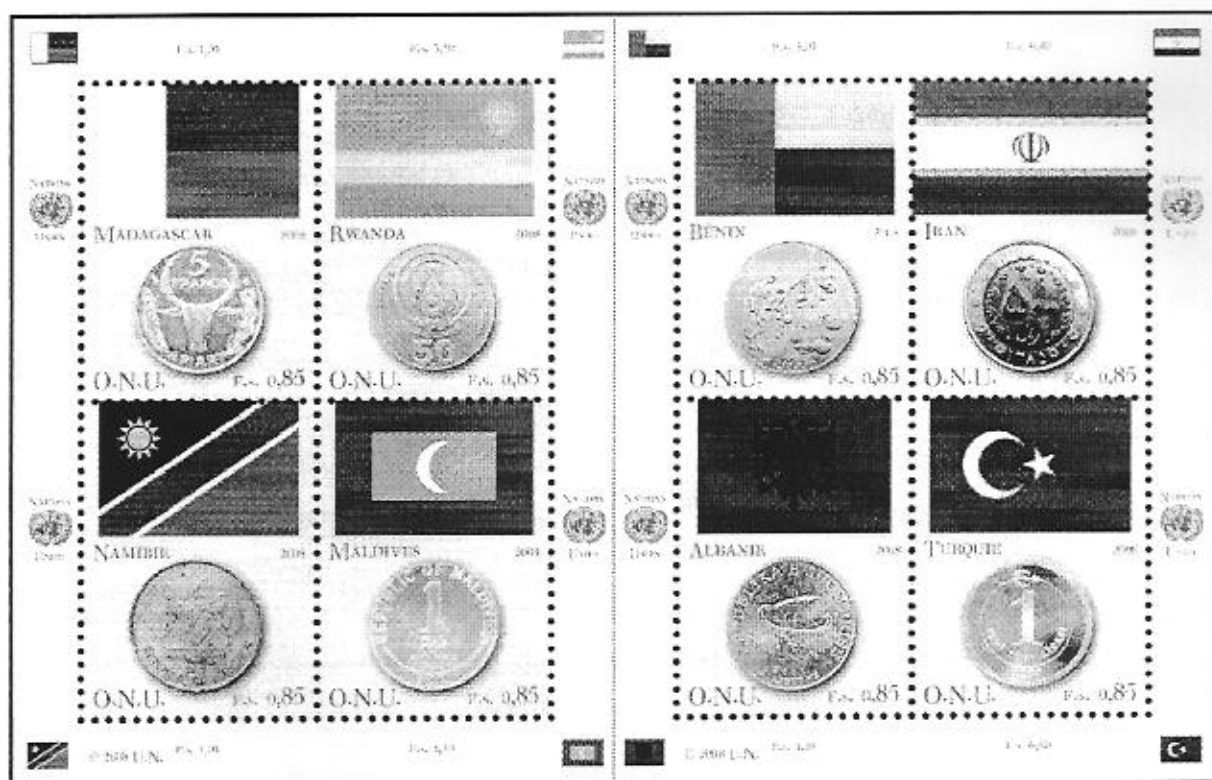
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