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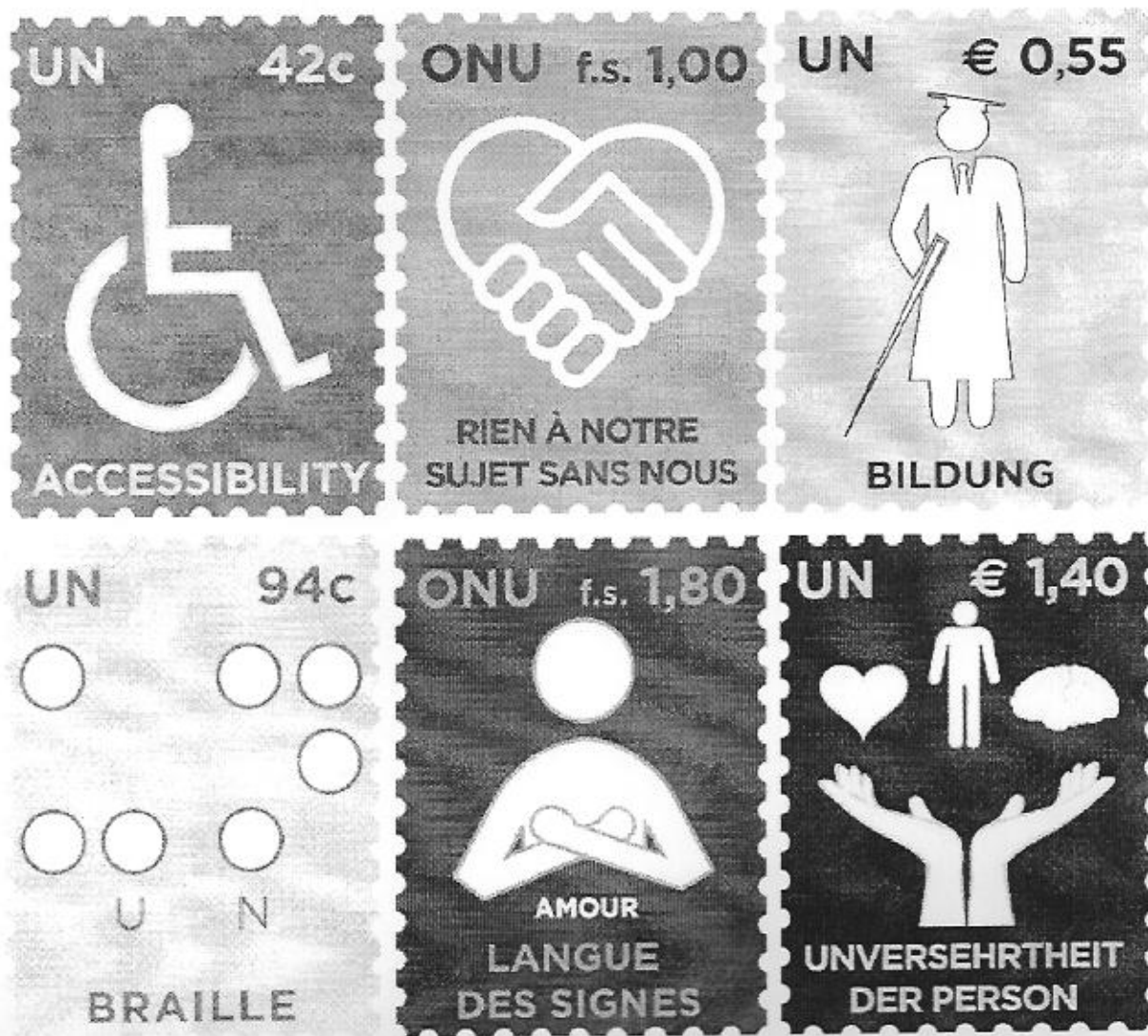
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Front cover: Designs of Stamps for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
Rear cover: New 2008 42¢ and 94¢ UNNY Generic Personalized Sheets. **Rear Mailer:** Personalized Sheet for 2008 Essen Stamp Fair.

SECRETARY'S MEMBERSHIP REPORT

By B. Clement, Jr.

As of mid-May, when essentially all 2008 renewals are in, UNP has 206 members. Note that this is the low point of the year, since additional renewals and new members would add to that. Of these, 182 are from the USA, 9 from Canada, and 15 from other countries.

Of the US members, 28 are from New York, 21 from California, 17 from New Jersey, 13 from Illinois, 12 from Pennsylvania, 9 from Virginia, 8 from Michigan, 7 from Massachusetts, 6 each from Missouri, Texas and Wisconsin, and 5 each from Florida and Washington. There are 3 each from Colorado, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Maryland, Ohio and Tennessee, 2 each from Arizona, Connecticut, Delaware, and Minnesota, while the following have 1 each: Arkansas, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Nevada, North Carolina, Oregon, West Virginia, Wyoming and the Marshall Islands.

Of our Canadian members, 5 are from Ontario, 2 from British Columbia, and 1 each from Quebec and Alberta. From other countries, we have 4 each from the Netherlands and Germany, and 1 each from Austria, France, Japan, Luxembourg, Norway, Switzerland and the UK.

Our Membership increased by 7 members this year. It is believed that our expanded website and the on-line membership application are the main contributors to this increase.

Just for fun, the first names of members were sorted and counted. UNP has 17 members named John (Jack); 9, William (Willem); 8, Robert; 6, David; 5 each, James, Michael, Paul, Richard (Rick), Stephen (Steven), Thomas; 4 each, George (Jorge), Joseph (Jose), Kenneth (Ken), Ronald (Ron); 3, Alan (Allan), Charles, Francis (Frank), Gerald, Larry. Two each are named Anthony, Arnold (Arnolds), Brian, Donald, Gary, Henry, Jeffery, Leonard (Leon), Louis, Mark, Max (Maxim), Peter, Robin, Stanley (Stan), Terry, Victor. Those of us with unique names (1 each) are Albert, Aldo, Anne, Ben, Benoit, Blanton, Brent, Bruno, Carl, Carney, Caroline, Christopher, Clayton, Cynthia, Dale, Dan, Darrell, Dennis, Duane, DuWayne,

Earl, Edna, Edward, Edwin, Franz, Fred, Greg, Hartmut, Herman, Hillel, Horst, Howard, Israel, Jan, Janet, Jean-Louis, Jerome, Joan, Julius, Kirk, Kjell, Klaus, Leslie, Linford, Lionel, Luis, Lynn, Maria, Moises, Morton, Niniah, Norman, Pablo, Philip, Rainer, Ray, Rod, Sherman, Sidney, Simon, Timothy, Todd, Vincent, Wallace, Wanda. A few members choose to be known only by their initials, so are not counted. Our names indicate that we have quite a "United Nations" within our ranks. [Note from the Editor: In its report for the most popular names in the USA in 2007, the Social Security Administration found that Jacob (since 1999) and Emily (since 1996) remain the most popular, neither of which names appear among the ranks of UNP members.]

UNP 2008 Election Results

By B. Clement, Jr., Election Chair

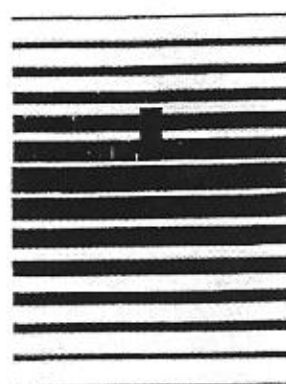
The UNP 2008 Election had a small problem in that the Ballot published was incorrect having switched the names of Brian Reiser and Greg Galletti in the wrong offices. The correct slate had appeared in the February issue of the Journal (page 1). The following procedure was established to correct this situation. Those with e-mail addresses were notified of the problem. Early voters were sent a corrected ballot. For an uncontested election, we had a good "turn-out" of 48 voters. Of these, 9 voters used the incorrect ballot. It was decided not to count the votes for Reiser and Galletti on the incorrect ballots submitted. The new officers took office for a two-year term starting July 1, 2008.

Election Results

President: Anthony Dewey 48
Vice President: Brian Reiser 39
Secretary: Blanton Clement, Jr. 48
Treasurer: Jim Matyasovich 47
Director: Larry Fillion 46
Director: Greg Galletti 43
Director: Michael Krejci 42
Director: Richard Powers 50

UNPA COMMEMORATES THE UN VISIT OF POPE BENEDICT XVI

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE



OFFICIAL CACHET
UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS



His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI
Visits the United Nations
18 April 2008



The UNPA prepared a limited edition cover with a special cancel and a special 90¢ generic personalized stamp with a dove of peace vignette. No mint sheets or stamps went on sale. The cover is on sale for \$2 as a UNNY special cover with code 424-3443.

UNITED NATIONS PHILATELISTS, INC.

BALANCE SHEET

For the fiscal year: May 1, 2007 through April 30, 2008

Prepared by UNP Treasurer Jim Matyasovich

Balance: May 1, 2007		\$10236.87
Income		
Dues	\$4781.50	
Auctions	999.84	
Donations	52.00	
Total income		\$5833.34
Expenses		
Journal printing (7 issues)	\$2982.30	
Journal shipping	2395.87	
Secretary's expenses	89.87	
Treasurer's expenses	59.20	
Journal Editor's expenses	577.98	
Franchise fee	25.00	
Bank Fees	32.00	
Total expenses		\$6162.22
Balance: April 30, 2008		\$9907.99

CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

By Richard Powers

On June 6, 2008 the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) issued six commemorative stamps on the theme "Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities". The designs of these six stamps appear on the front cover of this issue of the *Journal*.

The Convention was adopted on December 13, 2006 during the sixty-first session of the General Assembly by Resolution 61/106. In accordance with its article 42, the Convention was opened for signature by all States and by regional integration organizations at United Nations headquarters in New York on March 30, 2007. It has been estimated that there are some 650 million persons in the world with disabilities.

The Convention is intended as a human rights instrument with an explicit social development dimension. It adopts a broad categorization of persons with disabilities and reaffirms that all persons with all types of disabilities must enjoy human rights and fundamental freedoms. It clarifies and qualifies how all categories of rights apply to persons with disabilities and identifies areas where adaptations have to be made for persons with disabilities to exercise their rights effectively and areas where their rights have been violated and where protection of rights must be reinforced.

There are eight guiding principles that underlie the Convention and each one of its specific articles:

- a) Respect for inherent dignity, individual autonomy, including the freedom to make one's own choices, and independence of persons;
- b) Non-discrimination;
- c) Full and effective participation and inclusion in society;
- d) Respect for difference and acceptance of

persons with disabilities as part of human diversity and humanity;

e) Equality of opportunity;

f) Accessibility;

g) Equality between men and women;

h) Respect for evolving capacities of children with disabilities and respect for the children with disabilities to preserve their identities.

Designs

42¢ - Accessibility

The stamp image features the International Symbol of Access - a representation of a person in a wheelchair.

94¢ - Braille

The design spells the word "UN" in Braille script using embossed raised Braille characters to allow the stamp to be touched and read.

CHF 1,00 - **Rien à Notre Sujet sans Nous** (Nothing about us without us)

The stamp image features an abstract drawing of two hands shaking each other and forming a heart shape.

CHF 1,80 - **Langue des Signes** (Sign Language)

The graphic image represents a silhouette of the word "Amour (Love)" in sign language. The word "Love" is also written to clarify the meaning of the signing. The image is an international symbol of Love.

€ 0,55 - **Bildung** (Education)

The stamp image features a scholar with the traditional mortar board and gown worn on the day of graduation.

€1,40 - **Unversehrtheit der Person** (Integrity - in the sense of Entirety)

The stamp design represents the idea of body and mind and spirit with open hands to embrace the rights of persons with disabilities.

ENCORE! ENCORE!

2008 Revalued UNNY Stationery

By Duane E. Lamers

It was but a year ago, August 9, 2007, that the United Nations Postal Administrations (UNPA) issued a newly-designed envelope in two sizes (Scott #U24 and U25) to meet the increase in U.S. domestic postal rates that had gone into effect less than three months earlier, on May 14th. A handsome design in more muted tones, the new 41¢ envelope bore an indicia very much resembling the embossed indicia found on the envelopes originally released in 1953 and 1958. Sorry, no embossing this time 'round. Thirty-five thousand of each size were printed.

Because international rates had also increased at the same time, UNPA presented us with an elegant new 90¢ air letter (UC26) on that same August date. Forty thousand sheets were printed.

The envelopes and air letter served double duty until November 14th along with the surcharged corresponding items that had first appeared September 15, 2003 (U18-19, UC23) and were surcharged in January 2006 (U20-21, UC24) and given a new surcharge in 2007 (U22-23, UC25).

UNPA kept the older items on sale past the date of release of the new ones in order to allow collectors sufficient time to purchase them for their own collections. While UNPA was up and running with release of the third versions of the envelopes and air letters on that May 14th date of the 2007 rate increase (U22-23, UC25), word had not gone out quickly enough, with many people not receiving notice of the new surcharge stationery until June or July, just weeks before what normally would have been the withdrawal date of older stock, coinciding with the release date of new items.

No sooner released than surcharged, it might be said. New U.S. rate increases effective May 12, 2008, 364 days later rendered

these new designs obsolete as issued. Using equipment at Headquarters designed just for such purposes, UNPA staff surcharged the envelopes 1¢ and the air letter 4¢, U26-27 and UC27, respectively (Figures 1, 2 and 3).

It continues to remain a mystery regarding the circulation figures for these envelopes and air letters in their original form and in each of their appearances in a surcharged state. Sixty-two thousand envelopes (U18) were printed for use beginning late in March 2003 to meet the 37¢ rate then in effect. The printing total of the larger-size (U19) was ten thousand more. We do not know how many envelopes were sold at this rate nor at the rate corresponding to each of the two surcharges (U20-23) necessitated by rate changes. Nor do we know the quantities given first day of use cancellations at the time the surcharged envelopes were released.

There is indication that postal rates will increase again sometime in 2009, likely resulting in new surcharging of existing stock. No stationery items have been reprinted in recent decades.

Still another question centers on the reason for UNPA continuing to issue air letters. The USPS has discontinued their use, and the rate for air letters is the same as the rate for the first ounce of any regular-sized envelope. Utility seems to be its only advantage: writing paper and postage are all found on one sheet. Utility, of course, for anyone at UN Headquarters or living but a short walk away from one of the UN's postal boxes at the complex.

Although both current designs for the stationery are attractive, this writer finds it a bit distracting to address such pieces, fearing that special care must be taken while writing so that addresses appear sufficiently distinct against the background.

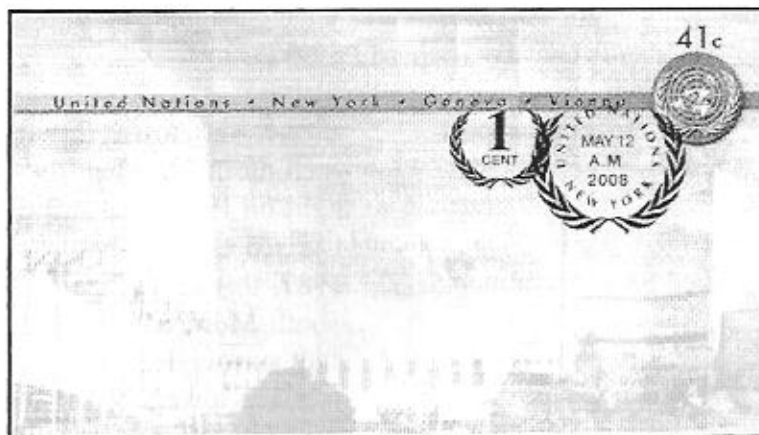


Figure 1: Revalued 41¢ small envelope with cancel of first day of use (May 12, 2008) using 2007 small envelope (Scott U22) with 1¢ surcharge.

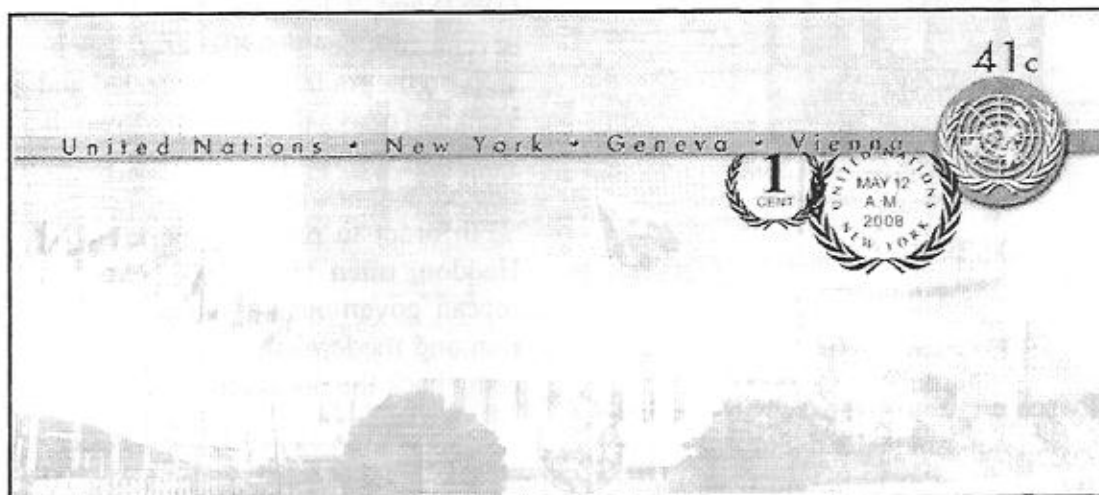


Figure 2: Revalued 41¢ large envelope with cancel of first day of use (May 12, 2008) using 2007 large envelope (Scott U23) with 1¢ surcharge.

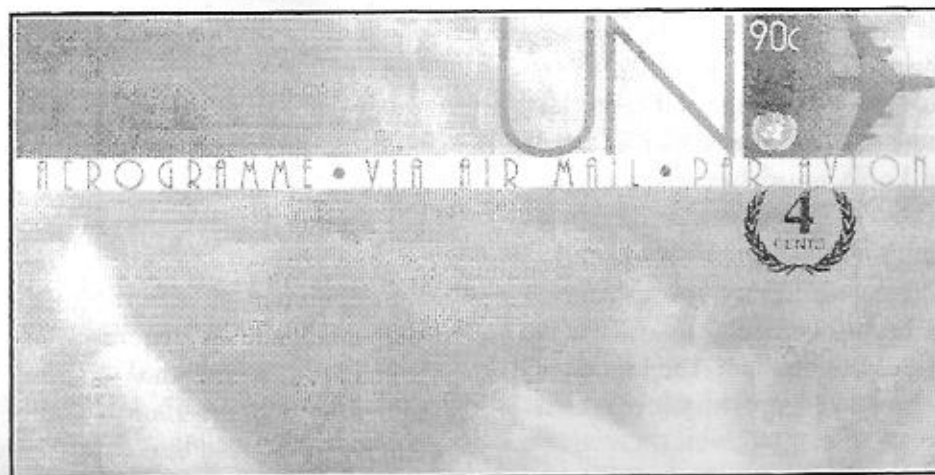


Figure 3: Revalued 90¢ airletter issued May 12, 2008 using 2007 airletter (Scott UC26) with a 4¢ surcharge.

NEW FRENCH SERVICE STAMPS FOR UNESCO

By Richard Powers

On December 13, 2007 the French post office (La Poste) issued two new French service stamps for use at UNESCO headquarters in Paris. The € 0,85 stamp (Figure 1) features a koala, perched on a tree branch.



Figure 1: € 0,85 UNESCO stamp honoring the Koala.

Long hunted for its ashy-colored fur, the koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) is a protected species. This adorable Australian marsupial measures 6 cm long at birth and from 60 to 90 cm when fully grown. It belongs to the family of kangaroos. The female bears a single offspring, which she transports in her stomach pouch for six months. The mother feeds her baby at first with her milk, then with eucalyptus leaves predigested in order to habituate the baby to a diet which is hard to digest. The koala nourishes itself exclusively with fresh eucalyptus leaves and not just any leaves. Only about one leaf in twenty gets consumed. From these leaves, the koala finds both food and drink. This is the reason that the koala lives in the branches of the trees, where it sleeps up to eighteen hours per day.

The € 0,60 stamp (Figure 2) honors the fortified village of Ksar d'Aït-Ben-Haddou in Morocco. Located 20 miles from Ouar-

zazate, the town reveals its magnificence each morning, when the dawn casts its rosy light on its houses made of brick and slate. Classed as world heritage by UNESCO since 1987, this ksar (fortified village), typical of South Moroccan dwellings, is perched high and surrounded by a wall containing impressive towers at the corners. The visitor feels himself transported back in time in this exceptional setting, which has served as backdrop for the films "Lawrence of Arabia" (1962) and "Cleopatra" (1964). Built in the seventeenth century, the ksar was a caravan stop on the route between Sudan and Marrakech. Today, the historic town has been deserted, the residents having constructed a new village nearby.

In order to preserve the ksar d'Aït-Ben-Haddou, often visited by tourists, the Moroccan government has launched a restoration and modernization program destined to bring back the local residents.



Figure 2: € 0,60 UNESCO stamp honoring Ksar d'Aït-Ben-Haddou, Morocco.

In conjunction with these two stamps La Poste prepared an official philatelic document (210mm×295mm) bearing two single color proofs of the stamps and copies of the stamps themselves tied by a first day cancel. (Figure 3) The text provides background material. It also issued a first day notice (145mm×210mm) bearing the same text and

Unesco

2007

Le Koala
(Australie)

Longtemps chassé pour sa fourrure d'une belle couleur cendre, le koala (*Phascolarctos cinereus*) est une espèce protégée. Cet adorable marsupial australien, à l'allure de peluche, mesure 6 cm à la naissance, et de 60 à 90 cm à l'âge adulte. Il appartient à la famille des kangourous. La femelle met au monde un seul petit par portée, qu'elle transporte dans sa poche ventrale, ou marsupium, pendant six mois. La mère nourrit son petit d'abord avec son lait, puis avec des feuilles d'eucalyptus prédigérées pour l'habituer à cette nourriture, peu digeste. Car le koala se nourrit exclusivement de feuilles fraîches d'eucalyptus, et pas n'importe lesquelles ! Une vingtaine d'essences seulement lui conviennent. Dans ces feuilles, le koala trouve à manger et à boire, c'est pourquoi il vit perché dans les arbres, où il dort jusqu'à dix-huit heures par jour.

Ksar d'Aït-Ben-Haddou
(Maroc)

A trente kilomètres de Ouazzane, le village fortifié d'Aït-Ben-Haddou révèle sa magnificence chaque matin, lorsque l'aurore rose ses maisons en pisé et en briques. Classé au patrimoine mondial par l'Unesco depuis 1987, ce ksar, typique de l'habitat traditionnel du Sud marocain, est juché sur une hauteur et entouré d'une muraille dotée d'impressionnantes tours d'angle. Le visiteur se sent hors du temps dans ce cadre exceptionnel, qui a servi de lieu de tournage à *Lawrence d'Arabie* (1962) et à *Cléopâtre* (1964). Bâti au XVIII^e siècle, le ksar est érigé sur un site qui, depuis le XI^e siècle, servait de halte aux caravanes voyageant entre le Soudan et Marrakech. De nos jours, le lieu est déserté, les habitants ayant construit un village neuf à proximité. Pour préserver le ksar d'Aït-Ben-Haddou, très visité par les touristes, le gouvernement marocain a lancé un programme d'équipement et de restauration destiné à le repeupler.

Fabienne Gambrelli

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Figure 3: Official philatelic document of the two 2007 French service stamps (upper right with first day cancel) issued for use at UNESCO headquarters in Paris. Monochrome proofs are located in the lower right corner of the document.

ITU CONFERENCE CANCEL DISCOVERY

Mar del Plata, Argentina - 1968

By B. Clement, Jr.

Just discovered is a previously unknown 1968 International Telecommunications Union (ITU) conference cancel, unlisted in Gaines catalog or in the UNOP monograph, Die UIT-Studie. The only cancel known previously for this conference was a First Day cancel for the three stamps (Scott # 865, C113-4) issued by Argentina during the conference. The conference is the 4th Plenary Assembly of the International Consultative Committee on Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT), held in Mar del Plata, Argentina September 23- October 25, 1968.

Discovered was the postal card shown in Figure 1. This was mailed by a conference delegate to Vienna, Austria. This was part of a hoard of covers recently sold on e-Bay. All of these covers were from various ITU or UPU meetings, and were either to or from Dr. Hubert Wenzel, General Director of Radio Austria. For us conference collectors, the release of such a hoard is a treasure trove.

Unfortunately, the cancel itself is light and somewhat obscured by the stamps. A



Figure 2: 1968 CCITT conference cancel from Mar del Plata, Argentina.

reconstruction of the cancel, showing a lightning bolt, is shown in Figure 2.

UN conference postal history continues to be written. Let us know if you have something that may be unlisted. You can help write history!

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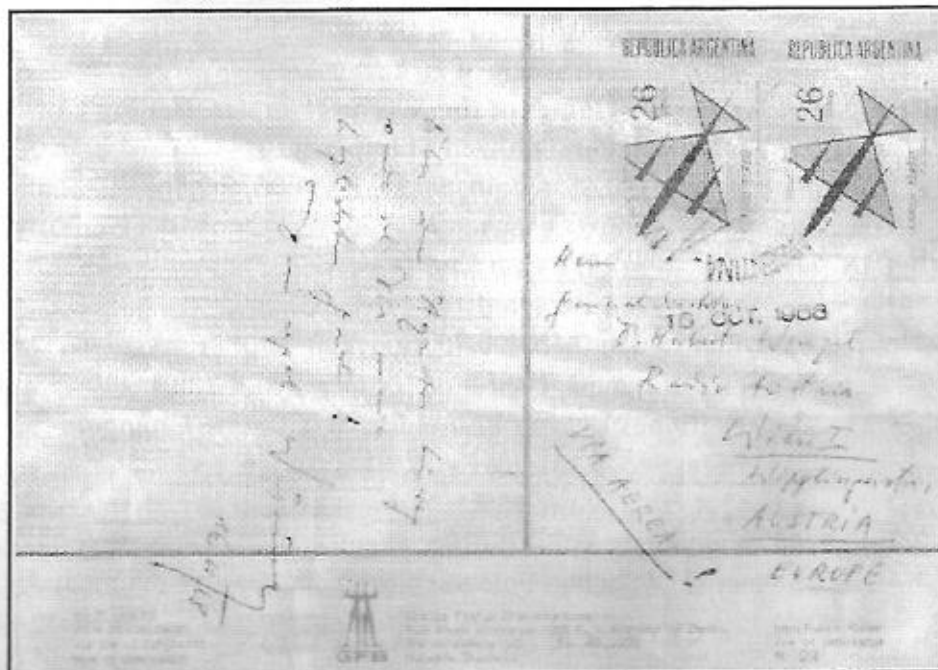


Figure 1: Postcard bearing 1968 CCITT cancel in Mar del Plata.

2008 UNITED NATIONS STAMP PROGRAM

(As of July 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

April 18

Souvenir Cover - Pope visits UN/NY

1 stamp x90¢

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

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, € 1,30, \$1.25, F.s. 3,00, € 2,10, Personalized Sheet

(6 mini-sheets of 9 stamps, 3 souvenir sheets, 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, Souvenir card, Personalized sheet

(6 sheets of 20 stamps, 1 sheet of 10 stamps of € 1,40)

October 23 **International Year of Planet Earth (Climate Change)**

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

(6 mini-sheets of 4 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)

1956 ECAFE BANGALORE DISCOVERY

By B. Clement, Jr.

A previously unrecorded "killer" cancel has been found for the 12th session of ECAFE, held in Bangalore, India February 2-14, 1956. Figure 1 shows a service cover with the newly discovered conference cancel. The cancel, unrecorded in the Gaines catalog, appears in Fig-



Figure 1: Service cover with new cancel.

ure 2. The violet sending office origin cachet from the back of the cover appears in Figure 3.

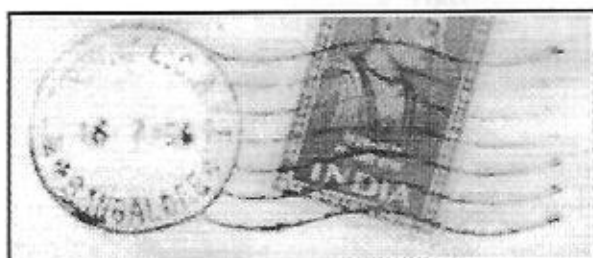


Figure 2: Detail of new cancel.



Figure 3: Origin cachet.

ECAFE, the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, was founded in 1947 and was renamed ESCAP, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific in 1974. The Commission was located in Shanghai in the early years, relocating to Bangkok in 1949, where it has been headquartered ever since. Annual sessions of the Commission are often

held in Bangkok, but many have been held in other cities in the region, particularly in the early years.

Gaines catalog, on page 1506, shows a service cover from Bangalore using a double circle hand cancel. Here, in Figure 4, is shown a detail of a similar double ring hand cancel.



Figure 4: Double ring ECAFE cancel.

A pouch cover to the UN in New York from the conference is shown in Figure 5. The cover has a repaired hole punch which is typical for covers which were kept in UN archives for years until they were "liberated" into the hands of collectors.



Figure 5: ECAFE pouch cover.

Fifty-two years after the fact, UN postal history is still being brought to light. Let us know what you have that may be unknown to other UN philatelists.

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THE INTERNATIONAL PENAL AND PENITENTIARY COMMISSION

By Richard Powers

In 1990 the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) issued six stamps (UNNY Scott #580-1, Geneva 191-2, Vienna 106-7) to commemorate the Eighth UN Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, which was held in Havana, Cuba August 27 through September 7, 1990. Three of these stamps appear in Figure 1. These Congresses date back to 1950 when the UN General Assembly adopted the recommendation of the Economic and Social Council that the functions of the International Penal and Penitentiary Commission be transferred to the UN.

This Commission was founded in 1872 to collect penitentiary statistics, to encourage pe-

nal reform and to convene international conferences, in order to advise the participating governments on the reform of criminals, the prevention of crime and on prison reform. Originally it was known as the International Penal Commission. Then it became the International Penal and Prison Commission. Since 1929 it has been known by the name in the title of this article. In 1926 a permanent office was established in Bern, Switzerland. The Commission (normally known by its French name: Commission Internationale Pénale et Pénitentiaire) was dissolved in 1955.

It organized the First International Congress on the Prevention and Repression of Crime in London in 1872. In 1925, 1930 and 1935 the Commission and the League of Nations held joint conferences in Berlin, London and Paris.

Figure 2 shows a service cover of the Commission from the Bern office dated November 17, 1932 sent to a German Commission member Dr. Ernst Schäfer in Berlin by Professor J. Simon Van Der Aa, secretary-general of the International Penal and Prison Congress in Berlin in 1935.



Figure 1: UNNY #580, UNG #192 and UNV #106 from the 1990 UN Crime Prevention series.

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http://archives.un.org/unarms/doc/archivalcollections/ag_010.pdf



Figure 2: 1932 service cover from the Bern Office of the International Penal and Penitentiary Commission to the German Commissioner in Berlin.

11TH UN CONGRESS ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE Bangkok, 2005

By B. Clement, Jr.

The Eleventh United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice was held in Bangkok, Thailand April 18-25, 2005. The Thai Post Office used a special postmark for the conference and a special cacheted cover for the conference was provided by the post office, as seen in Figure 1.

The UN has held such congresses every five years since 1955. The first ten congresses had a slightly different name, the UN Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders. The following is a list of all eleven congresses:

1. Geneva, Switzerland, Aug. 22-Sept. 3, 1955
2. London, England, Aug. 8-20, 1960
3. Stockholm, Sweden, Aug. 9-18, 1965
4. Kyoto, Japan, Aug. 17-26, 1970
5. Geneva, Switzerland, Sept. 1-12, 1975
6. Caracas, Venezuela, Aug. 25-Sept. 5, 1980
7. Milan, Italy, Aug. 26-Sept. 6, 1985
8. Havana, Cuba, Aug. 27-Sept. 7, 1990
9. Cairo, Egypt, Apr. 29-May 8, 1995
10. Vienna, Austria, Apr. 10-17, 2000
11. Bangkok, Thailand, Apr. 18-25, 2005

Many of these UN Crime Congresses have been recognized philatelically or postally. Japan, Italy, and Cuba issued stamps honoring the congresses. The First Congress in Geneva had a special post office using a Genève Office

Temporaire postmark and two-line imprint. The London Congress post office used a special London SW1 double circle #22 cancel on registered mail.

The Kyoto Congress used a special red pictorial cancel. Likewise the Stockholm Congress used a special cancel picturing the UN emblem. Only special first day cancels are known for the Milan and Havana congresses. For the Fifth Congress, in Geneva, a special cachet (probably private) is known on an UN-Geneva postal card. To date, no philatelic or postal note is known for the Caracas, Cairo, or Vienna Congresses.

No congress corner card covers or genuine service covers are yet known for any of these congresses. However, such covers undoubtedly exist. Congress letterhead notepaper is known for the Kyoto Congress. Maybe a reader can fill in some blanks in our knowledge. If you can, please let us know.

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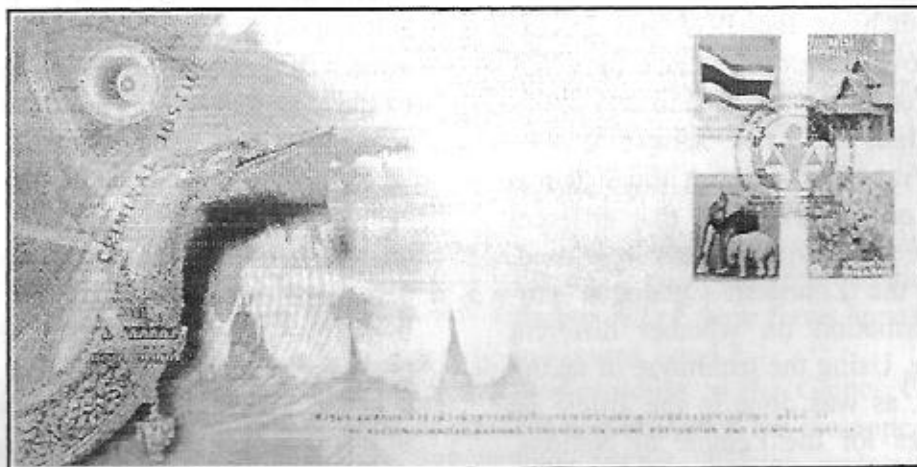


Figure 1: Special Congress Cover for the UN Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.

A TOUR OF THE SELVAGE OF THE 1950 SWISS OFFICIAL STAMPS ISSUED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICES IN GENEVA

By Richard Powers

On February 1, 1950 the Swiss PTT released overprinted definitives from the Technology and Landscape series (Scott #329-39, which had been released August 1, 1949) for use at five international offices of the United Nations in Geneva: International Labor Office - ILO (#3083-93), International Education Bureau - IEB (#4029-39), World Health Organization - WHO (#506-16), International Organization for Refugees - IRO (#601-5), United Nations European Office UNEO (#701-11). I find these sets interesting because they consist of the very first stamps issued by the Swiss PTT exclusively for the use of the United Nations European Office and the UN affiliated agencies located in Geneva. The stamps predate by nearly two years the first stamps issued by the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) on October 24, 1951 for use at UN Headquarters in New York City.

Standard wisdom maintains that these 1950 Swiss officials were produced using a specific printing of the underlying stamps and a single printing of the overprint. Thus overprints, which differ from the standard overprint, which appeared on the official day of issue February 1, 1950, must be counterfeits. Indeed many counterfeits of the more expensive stamps such as the IRO and UNEO stamps are known to exist because the overprints of these do differ significantly.

But specialists of these series such as UN-member Fran Adams insist there had to be more than one printing and that different printings of the underlying stamps were used. Unfortunately the Zumstein Catalogue provides no information on whether different printings occur. Using the technique of taking a selvage tour, as was done in the article on the 1944 issues for the League of Nations, ILO and IEB (June 2008 issue of the *Journal*-p. 10), we shall see what can be deduced.

Figure 1 shows a pane of the 10-centime stamp (#702) of the UNEO series. The top and bottom selvages of this pane are partially perfed; the selvage on the left and right sides are completely perfed. To the right of the fifth stamp in the tenth row (position 50) one can see the pane #2. In the cases of the 5c, 10c, 20c, and 30c denominations the stamps were printed in sheets of 200 stamps on a cylinder, which yielded four post office panes of 50, numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4. The remaining seven denominations (15c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c and 70c) the stamps were printed in sheets of 100 stamps, which yielded two panes of 50, numbered 1 and 2. In the left selvage are the running totals starting from the lower left corner. The sheet measures 170mm x 258mm.

Beneath position 50 one sees a date: 20V 49, which corresponds to May 20, 1949. Beneath positions 46 and 47 is a five-digit control number 74174. The style of the control number and date is the same as that found on the 1944 League of Nations issues discussed in the previous article. Presumably the date refers to the date of printing of the underlying stamps as was the case in the 1944 stamps.

For the time being the reader is asked to ignore the notes handwritten in pencil in the selvage on all four sides. They are comments noting the position of the six known varieties of the overprints of the UNEO stamps. I shall return to these notes presently.

Figure 2 shows a pane of the five-centime stamp (#701), which displays some significant differences. Note that the left and right selvage is partially perfed and the upper and lower selvage is completely perfed - just the opposite of the pane in Figure 1. This pane also has a pane #2, which appears to the right of position 50. The running totals are still located in the left selvage. But there is no date nor control number in the bottom selvage.

Instead a control number (72626) appears in the right selvage next to position 10 and 15 running vertical (not visible in Figure 2). The final 6 is not properly aligned. There is no sign of a date below the control number in the selvage. The sheet measures 168mm×254 mm. Whether the size difference of the sheets in Figures 1 and 2 is significant or just an accident of the printing process when the sheets are trimmed to size is unknown to the author.

It appears that sheets with partially perforated lower selvage have a control number and a printing date. Sheets, where the lower selvage is completely perforated, have neither. Figure 3 shows a pair of IEB stamps with a first day cancel: a 5c (4029) with completely perforated lower selvage without printing date from pane #1 and a 10c (4030) with partially perforated lower selvage with a printing date of 10VIII49 (August 10, 1949) from pane #3.



Figure 3: First day canceled IEB stamps from position 50 without (5c) and with very light (10c) printing date 10VIII49.

I have a complete set of the 11 IEB stamps from position 50 canceled on the first day of issue of the overprint. Three have printing dates and eight do not. Apparently the presence of a printing date is related to whether the lower selvage is partially perforated (with printing date) or completely perforated (without printing date). Presumably all the overprinted stamps which were prepared for release on February 2, 1950 were from the initial application of the overprints.

With the help of Fran Adams I have compiled Table I of the printing dates for the UNEO series (701-11) and Table II of the printing dates for the IEB series (4029-39), which appear below.

Table I

Printing Dates of UNEO stamps		
Denomination	Pane #	Printing Date
10c	1	2? V49, 20V49
10c	2	20V49
20c	2,3	21IX49
30c	1,3	29IX49

Table II

Printing Dates of IBE stamps		
Denomination	Pane #	Printing Date
10c	3	10VIII49
20c	4	21IX49
30c	2	29IX49

The above printing dates for the 20c and 30c UNEO and the 10c IEB definitives seem to suggest that there was a reprinting of these denominations after the stamps were first issued on August 1, 1949, which happens to correspond to the Swiss National Holiday.

Now let us return to the issue of flaws in the overprints of these eleven stamps. The Zumstein Catalogue identifies six distinct flaws among the twenty-five vignettes used to apply the overprint to a half pane. Thus each flaw appears twice. The overprint flaws are as follows:

Zumstein #	Flaw	Flaw Position
.01	1st E in EUROPÉEN with missing middle bar	3, 28
.02	flat O in NATIONS	6, 31
.03	broken A in NATIONS	10, 35
.04	broken U in EUROPÉEN	11, 36
.05	missing middle bar in 2nd F in OFFICE	22, 47
.06	broken N in EUROPÉEN	24, 49

The notes in the margins of the sheet in Figure 1 point out the positions of the six flaws. All of these flaws appear on the sheets in Figures 1 and 2.

According to the Gaines Catalogue there are two scenarios for the appearance of these flaws. One version maintains that all six flaws were initially present as the printers be-



Figure 1: Sheet of Swiss #702 with perforated side salvage, pane number 2 and printing date underneath position 50.

gan to apply the overprint. It is estimated that 1000 panes may have been overprinted before the flaws were detected and corrected. The other scenario claims that the initial overprints were unflawed and that the flaws gradually crept into the final product, one at a time, near the end of the overprinting. Presumably the second scenario would require that sheets must exist with less than the full complement of flaws.

In order to resolve the question of whether more than one printing of these eleven underlying stamps and more than one printing of the overprint took place, more data are needed. I am soliciting additional printing dates for these stamps and also would like to know if all complete sheets have all six flaws or not.

Overprinted stamps from other series were issued on the same date. Stamps from the historical portraits series released in 1941 (Scott #273-278) and historical scenes series released in 1938 (#244-6) were overprinted to produce stamps for the UNEO (#7012-20). Fran Adams has found printing dates on six of these issues. These are listed in Table III.

Table III

Printing Dates of UNEO stamps		
Denomination	Pane #	Printing Date
80c	1	28III50
90c	1	31I50
1 fr	3	?3III49
1.20 fr	3	4XII48
1.50 fr	3	9VII48
2 fr	4	19XII51

These data clearly indicate that late overprintings took place since the printing date of the underlying 80c and 2-franc stamps in this list took place after the first day of issue of the service stamp 7012 and 7017, respectively. Whether there is a difference in the appearance of the underlying stamps of the initial printings used on the day of issue of the overprinted stamps and the later printings listed in Table III remains to be determined.

Other Printing Dates on Sheets of Stamps of United Nations Agencies and their Forerunners

One could well ask the question if printing dates appear on the selva of UN or forerunner sheets of stamps of other issues. I have seen printing dates on three other issues.

In 1946 a single stamp (#4022) was issued in honor of Johann Pestalozzi by the Swiss PTT for use at the International Education Bureau (IEB). Next to position 41 in the left selva is the printing date. I have seen the following printing dates: 19XII45 and 5I46. The stamp was released a week after the second date - on January 12, 1946.

In 1976 the Swiss PTT issued three stamps (#10011-13) for the International Telecommunications Union (ITU). The printing dates are located in the left selva next to position 1. For the 40-centime stamp I have seen the following printing dates: 18IX75 and 19IX75. For the 90c stamps, 29IX75. For the 1 fr stamp, 24IX75 and 25IX75. The stamps were released February 12, 1976.

I suspect that all the definitives released in 1955-60 by the Swiss PTT for the international offices in Geneva (ILO, IEB, WHO, UNEO, WMO, ITU and Bern (UPU) have printing dates. The dates that I have seen appear in the upper selva above the running totals above position 4. For the 20c ITU stamp (#1004) the date is 25IV60; the 30c ITU stamp (#1005), 11V60. For the 30c IBE stamp (#4044), 12V60. For the 50c IBE stamp (#4046), 21V60. These stamps were released on UN Day October 24, 1960.

As far as forerunner stamps I know of no issues before 1944 bearing printing dates. Sheets of the 10c ILO stamps issued in 1942 (#3060) and in 1943 (#3060A) bear running totals in the upper selva, control numbers in the left selva near positions 11 and 21 and symbols indicating the pane number in the lower selva underneath position 41 but no dates, either printing or overprinting.



Figure 2: Sheet of Swiss #701 with imperforate side salvage, pane number 2 and no printing date underneath position 50.

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PHILATELICALLY YOURS FROM VIENNA: 2006 - 2007

By Richard Powers

On January 29, 2008 I received a shipment of special covers with "Sonderstempel" (special cancellations) on specially prepared cacheted envelopes issued by the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) in Vienna during the previous twelve months. These included special items issued between November 5, 2006 and April 21, 2007. This year's shipment of five covers cost \$12.55 plus a \$3.00 mailing fee, for which I received € 2,05 in CTO-canceled UN Vienna stamps with first day cancels. Below is a summary of the covers which I received.

On November 5, 2006 the UNPA issued a commemorative cover (Figure 1) for a Dealer and Collector Get-together in Stockerau. The UNPA issued a special cover which bears a special UN-Vienna cancel which features a silhouette of Mozart and ties the 2006 € 0,55 UNPA Austrian Coin and Flag stamp (Scott # A387). The cachet shows a sketch of Mozart traveling by coach between Rome and Prague via Stockerau.

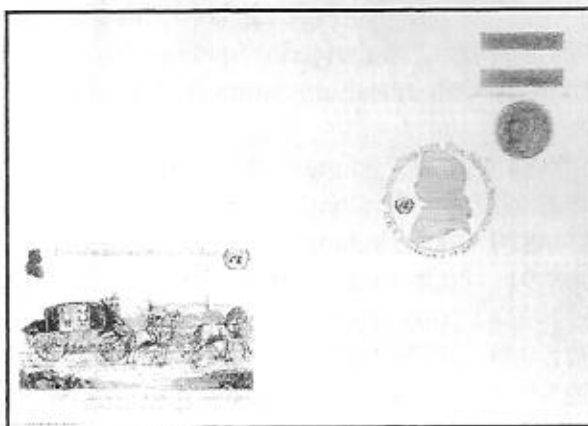


Figure 1: Cover honoring the 2006 Dealer and Collector Meeting in Stockerau.

The UNPA issued a special cover (Figure 2) as part of its participation at the 2006 Fall Seniormesse (Seniors' Fair) in Vienna from November 16th to 19th. The cachet shows a sketch of the western hemisphere with travel

motiffs. The cover bears a € 0,55 stamp from the 2006 Day of Families series (A380). The special UN-Vienna cancellation shows a couple strolling along the seashore as the sun sets.

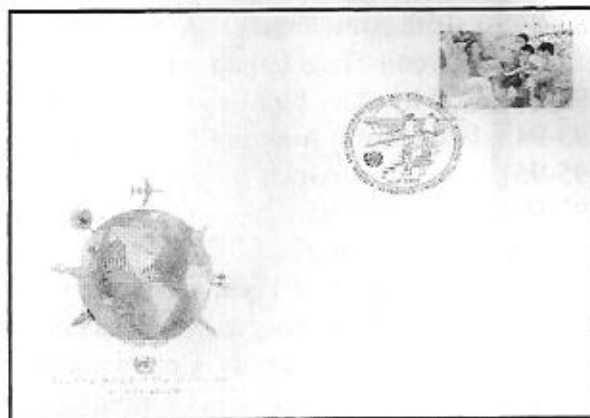


Figure 2: Cover commemorating the 2006 Seniormesse in Vienna.

On December 8, 2006 the UNPA released a special cover (Figure 3) honoring its participation at NUMPHIL 2006 in Vienna. The special UN-Vienna cancel features a sketch of UNO-Center and St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna. The cover bears a € 0,55 stamp from the 2006 Coin and Flag stamp for the Netherlands (A387). The cachet commemorates 2006 as centennial of the ÖBMHV and pictures an Austrian newspaper stamp (#P4) portraying Mercury.



Figure 3: Cover honoring NUMIPHIL 2006.

To celebrate its 25th Anniversary the Erste Österreichische Ansichtskartenverein (First Austrian Picture Postcard Society) METEOR organized an international collectors' meeting at the Messe Congress Center - Vienna from February 24-25, 2007. The UNPA issued a cacheted cover (Figure 4) honoring the meeting. The cachet shows a meteor crashing onto a moonscape. The cover bears a 2006 a € 0,55 "My Dream for Peace One Day" stamp (A385) tied by a special cancel depicting a banner with the name of the honoree METEOR displayed..

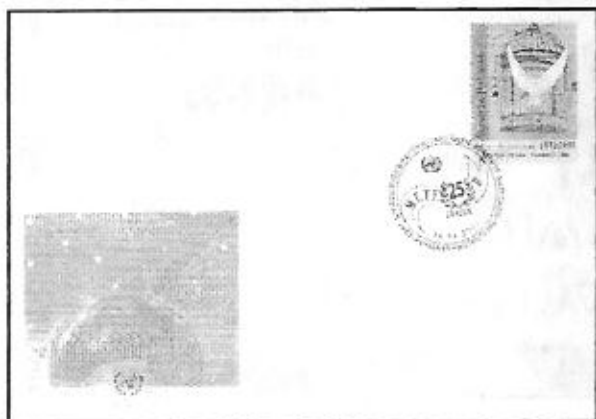


Figure 4: Cover honoring UNPA participation at the METEOR collector meeting.

Once again the UNPA in Vienna was invited to set up a special post office in the Kulturheim in Ebreichsdorf, Austria on April 21, 2007 on the occasion of a major stamp swap day organized by the Ebreichsdorf Stamp Collectors' Association. A special cover (Figure 5) has a special UN-Vienna cancel and cachet portraying a view of the castle of Ebreichsdorf.. The cover bears a € 0,55 2007 Endangered Species stamp portraying a long-nosed monkey (A389) tied by the special cancel.

None of the above covers were available from the UNPA in New York. The only way to purchase them is to order each item in advance or to set up a customer account for Sonderstempel items. The account can be set up by sending a check (U.S. checks are wel-

come) or by paying with a Visa or Mastercard credit card to the following address:

UNPA - Europe
P.O.Box 900
A-1400 Vienna - United Nations - Austria.



Figure 5: Cover honoring UNPA participation at Stamp Exchange Day in Ebreichsdorf.

2008 UPU CONGRESS MOVES FROM NAIROBI TO GENEVA

For the second time the efforts of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) to bring its quadrennial Universal Postal Congress to sub-Saharan Africa have been frustrated. Originally the 24th Congress was to be held in Nairobi, Kenya from August 13th through September 3rd. The February 2007 issue of the *Journal* (page 4) displayed the Congress logo and a commemorative stamp issued by the Postal Corporation of Kenya in 2006. As a result of considerable ethnic violence after a recent presidential election, the UPU in a press release dated February 11, 2008 announced that it would hold the Congress in Geneva from July 23rd through August 12th at the Geneva International Conference Center (CICG). The 23rd Congress held in Bucharest in 2004 was originally scheduled (June 2002 issue of the *journal*, page 8) to be held in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire but was moved because of instability (October 2005 issue of the *Journal* page 16).

A 1949 UNESCO HEALTH PROJECT IN PEHPEI IN SZECHUAN PROVINCE IN CHINA

By Richard Powers

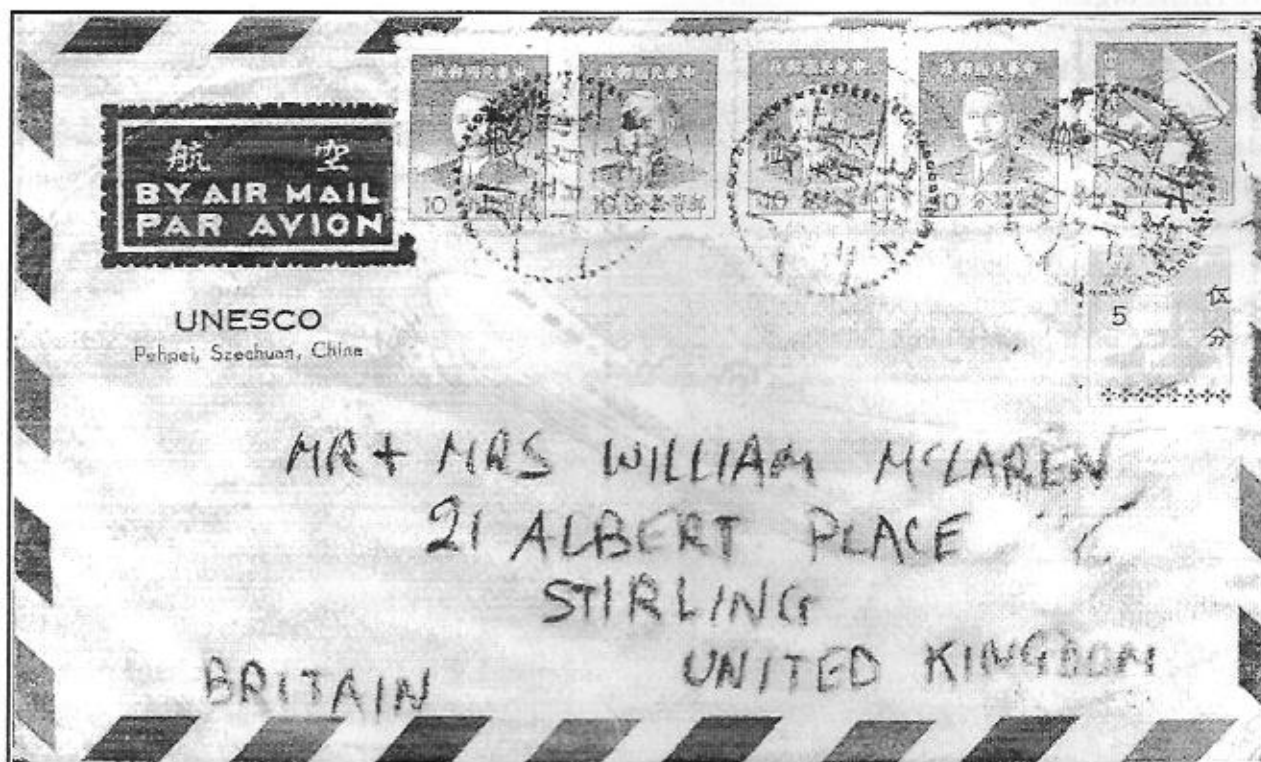


Figure 1: A 1949 UNESCO service cover sent by a UN official from Pehpei in Szechuan province in China to his family in Stirling, Scotland (courtesy of eBay).

One of my favorite specialties of United Nations postal history involves covers from China after World War II as China was undergoing the transition from the Republic of China governed by the Chinese Nationalists to the Peoples Republic of China administered by the Communist Party. I published an article on this topic in the February 2004 issue of the *Journal* (page 10). Recently I came across the modest 1949 cover (Figure 1) bearing a UNESCO corner card from Pehpei, Szechuan, China mailed to Mr. and Mrs. William McLaren in Stirling, Scotland in the United Kingdom for sale in eBay. It bears six stamps from the Republic of China: 4x10c stamp picturing Dr. Sun Yat-sen (Scott #976), an undenominated airmail stamp (#C62), picturing a DC-4 and an ar-

row, whose value varied due to inflation and an overprinted \$20000 stamp with a revised value of 5 silver yuan (#1000). On the rear (Figure 2) is a transit cancel from Chungking, China dated September 6, 1949.



Figure 2: Transit cancel from Chungking postmarked September 6, 1949.

The vast majority of UN agencies had offices in Shanghai as evidenced by the corner cards. The presence of the name Pehpei suggested that this might be from a special UNESCO project, whose story might be traceable. The first hit that I got with Google is a June 2007 newspaper article from the *Bridge of Allan Times* in Stirling written by Karl Magee entitled "Reassuring Mum: a Letter of McLaren's from Szechuan". This article provides an interesting glimpse into the events associated with the Communist takeover in China.

The letter in the title is part of a collection of letters written by the filmmaker Norman McLaren in the University of Stirling Library. Mr. McLaren won an Oscar in 1953 for his animated film *Neighbours*.

In 1949 he was invited by UNESCO to travel to China to teach young Chinese artists how to make animated films as part of a project to improve the health of China's rural population. Mr. McLaren noted in a letter that the project would help the Chinese to "start making films themselves in order to help educate the people in the backward villages there, who can't read or write and who need films made to teach them how to have a healthy village".

In August 1949 McLaren left his home in Ottawa, Canada and traveled to Hong Kong and then to the small village of Pehpei in Szechuan province. Apparently the letter in Figure 1 was sent within a month of his arrival. Unfortunately for him he arrived in China at a time when the struggle between Nationalists and Communists was sweeping the country. For several months life continued as normal in the sleepy town of Pehpei, where he got on with his job of educating his Chinese pupils. He saw at first hand the poverty which existed outside the town where peasants were cruelly exploited by landowners.

In December 1949 the Communist revo-

lution arrived on Pehpei's doorstep. In an article McLaren wrote for a Canadian magazine he recounted the efforts by the mayor of the town to prevent the retreating Nationalists from ransacking the village by welcoming and feeding them and providing transport in an effort to get them on their way. After entertaining thousands of retreating Nationalist troops, the town anticipated the arrival of Communists with welcoming bunting but with some trepidation. However, the anticipated Red Army never arrived. Eventually a single truck of Communist soldiers entered the village.

The arrival of the Communists in the village complicated McLaren's departure as he had no official status in China, even as a representative of the United Nations. At the time the Peoples Republic of China and the United Nations did not recognize each other. In his article McLaren mentioned that "the Communist authorities had put the problems of foreigners pretty low on their list" of priorities. With no way to depart, he continued his work for several months more. He found life in this village "very quiet and simple, with little to do, little to read and no radio".

The Communist bureaucracy was very slow and it took McLaren five months to obtain a travel permit to leave. In March 1950 McLaren received an invitation from the Ministry of Culture in Peking (Beijing), which eventually proved to be his "ticket home". In May 1950 he eventually reached Hong Kong and the outside world.

How much do you think this cover brought in auction? Would you believe \$243.50? The name of the winning bidder is Chinese, suggesting that the cover may have returned to its land of origin. I suspect that the majority of bidders were more interested in the interesting franking which reflected the economic uncertainties during the Communist revolution in China.

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21	\$21	22	\$32	23	\$9	24	\$25
25	\$28	28	\$10	33	\$8	34	\$20
35	\$10	36	\$30	38	\$40	39	\$20
41	\$10	42	\$12	45	\$18	46	\$18
50	\$21	51	\$9	52	\$12	53	\$20
54	\$9	55	\$10	56	\$10	57	\$9
58	\$21	59	\$13	60	\$27	61	\$27
62	\$16	64	\$9	65	\$6	66	\$10
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17	\$13	18	\$10	19	\$12	20	\$8
21	\$11	22	\$14	24	\$75	25	\$11
26	\$10	28	\$30	33	\$26	36	\$21
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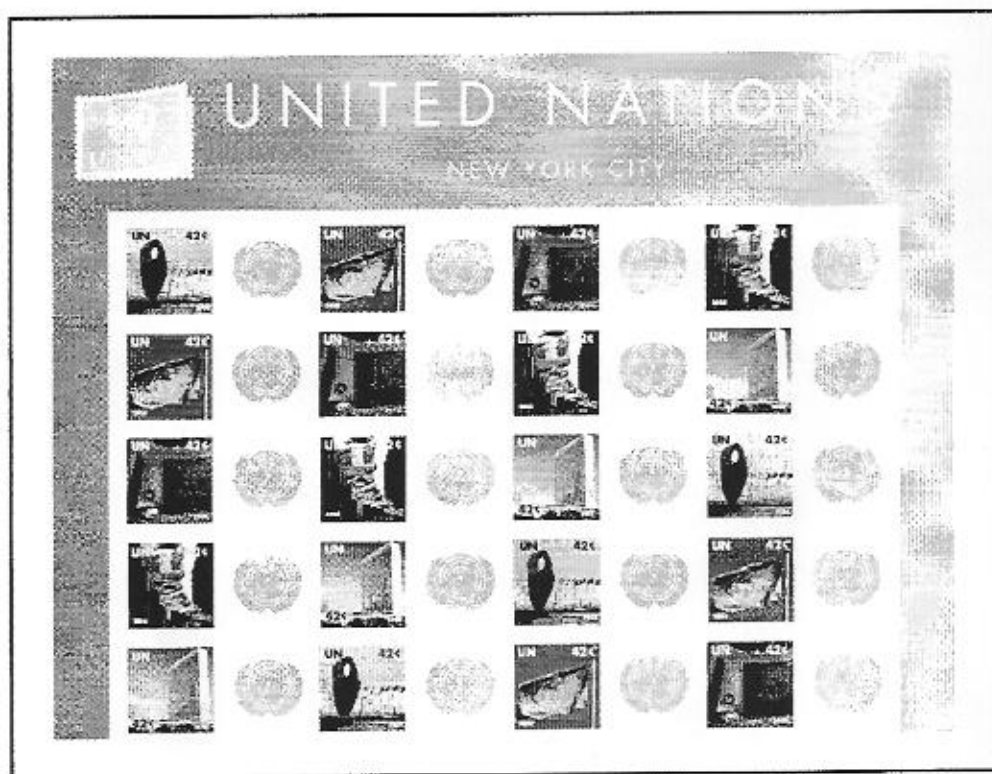
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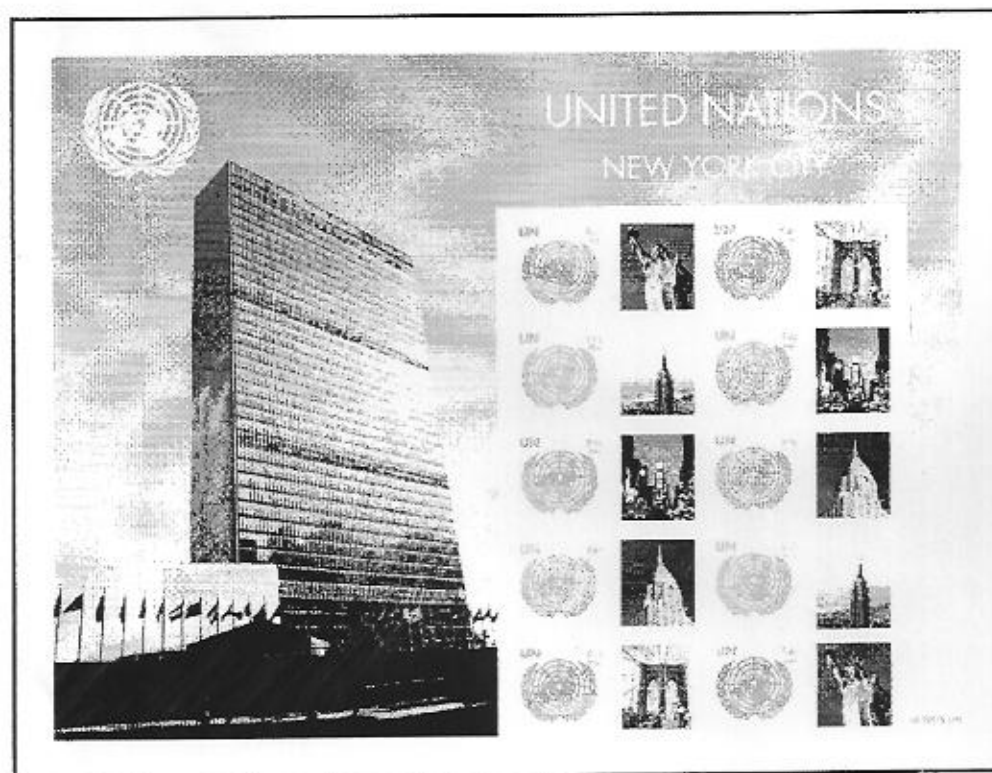
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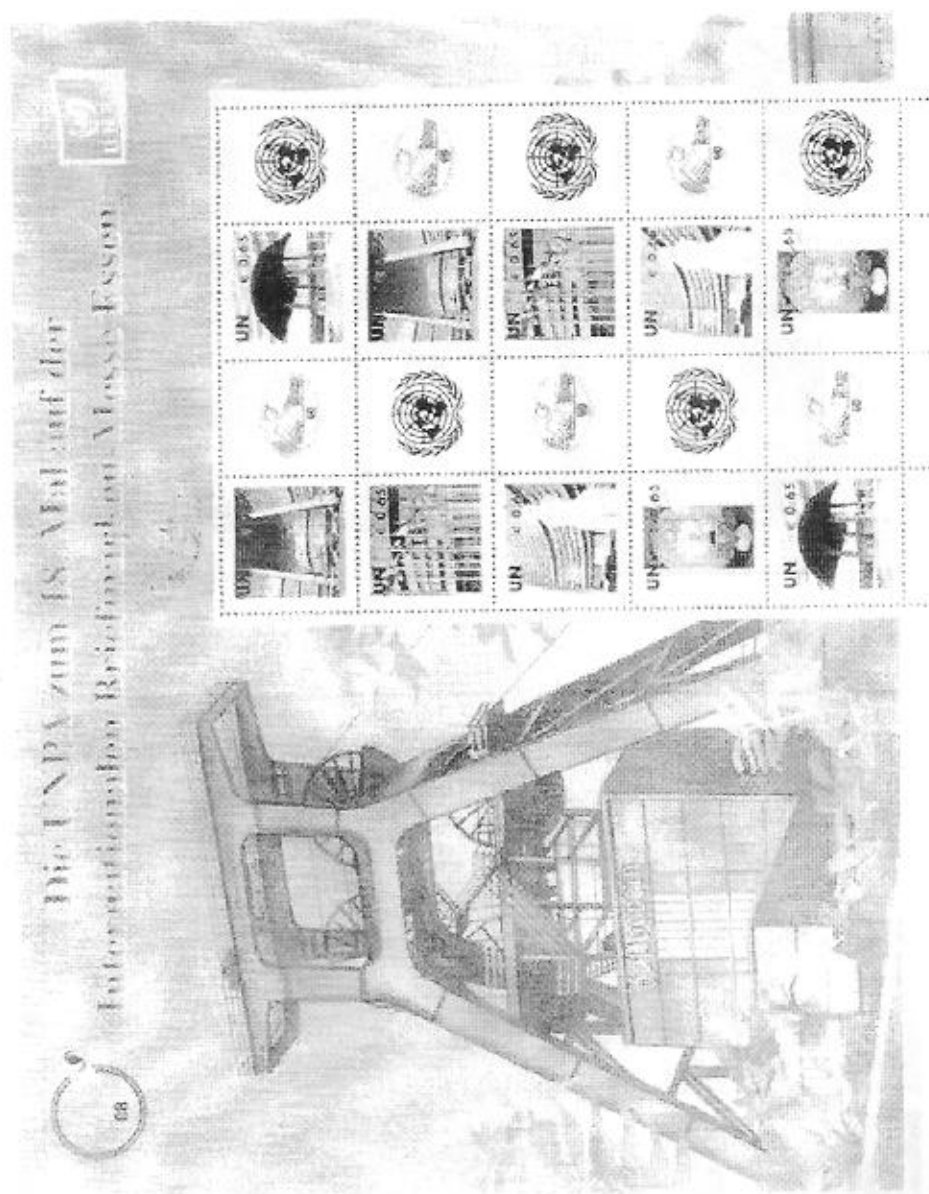
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