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CHAPTERS OF UNP

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Getting out into other parts of the country is something this writer has not done enough of in recent years. One periodically needs to be reminded of the variety, the seasonings if you will, in the melting pot called the American experience. Detroit is not Chicago. Neither one is central Iowa. Trans-Hudsonia is different still.

The chance to taste of the American Midwest came when UNP decided to hold its annual board meeting at CIAPEX in Des Moines, Iowa, 11-13 June. New York, Detroit, and Chicago joined Seattle to delight in some of that Iowa hospitality extended by Carl and Ruth Grissmann, many other "trans-Mississippians," and the management of the Howard Johnson Motel just north of the city.

The gathering was dignified by the presence of Mr. Masaaki Minami, Chief of UNPA, who presided at the first day ceremonies for the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space issue on 11 June. Mr. Minami spent most of his time conversing with the collectors and listening to their concerns. Among the benefits of Mr. Minami's presence was his offer of the assistance of the Administration in advancing philatelic studies. We are not privy to any revelations that we can splash across these pages. Nonetheless, we expect, our readers will soon reap the benefits of a renewed spirit of cooperation between UNPA and the philatelic community.

Just before departing for Des Moines we received an article from Mr. Emmenegger in Switzerland for publication in this issue of *The Journal*. Included were color photos of the agency stamps released in May by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). Our immediate reaction: We should have known about this release in time to advertise it in the April issue. Interested collectors would have had the chance to secure first day cancellations or other philatelic memorabilia.

This illustrates the need we see for a member to volunteer a little time to gather bits and pieces from the philatelic press and publicity releases for printing in our magazine. We cannot have worthwhile "Notes" unless we have a notetaker. Certainly someone among us can spare the time to stitch together a column of notes.

If only we had the problem of too many articles for the space available each issue!

It was felt by the Board of Directors that *The Journal* should return to the type size and format it previously used. We look better that way. The return is not without its problems, however. The more we can fit on any one page, the more articles we need to maintain the traditional size of the magazine. The recurring theme: WE NEED WRITERS!

We especially welcome pieces of a more general interest to UN collectors. Not all are interested in printing varieties, meters, or exhibition imprints. Some readers would welcome a more general piece. We thank the Iowans in particular for pointing out that the scope of our magazine is too narrow at times.

Those of us who are frequent contributors might also consider fleshing out our articles with some historical background notes relating to the subject of the UN activity under discussion in these pages. Such an approach will gain the attention of readers who otherwise have little interest in the main thrust of a particular article.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Charles C. Smith

For these past two years, I've had the privilege and distinct pleasure of composing these notes for the President's Message. This will be my final opportunity to fill this space, as your new UNPI Officers and Directors will assume their respective duties on 1 July 1982. At that time, I will become Immediate Past-President, a title allowing me to be a continuing member of your Board of Directors. I will be succeeded by our President-elect Jack I. Mayer who is eminently qualified to assume the reins as the chief policy-maker of our organization. Jack has served previously as your Treasurer and during these past two years as your Vice-President. As he assumes the duties of this office and begins to offer new ideas and set new goals for UNP, I urge each of you to give him the help, support, and encouragement which the job demands.

The Officers and Directors I've had the pleasure of working with have been the very best in our short history. Ron Hollinger and Mike Mayer have quietly done much with little recognition. They have been the behind-the-scenes workers who have kept this group functioning, and to them I offer my sincerest gratitude. Ben Cohen, our previous Editor and present Publications and Publicity Director, has served us all well. Ben and his UN collector associates in Chicago will continue to see to the printing and distribution of *The Journal* and in maintaining our membership lists. For our Editor, Duane Lamers, I have reserved the greatest debt of thanks. He assumed his important responsibilities at a particularly trying time and has done a far, far better job than any of us could have possibly expected. Our present timely and up-to-date publication schedule is entirely the result of Duane's intense desire, dedication, and numerous long hours of work. My thanks are sincerely extended for a truly superb performance.

As for me, I firmly believe our group has shown some significant improvements these past two years, and for my small part in that I take particular pride. There remains much to be done. We must make a concentrated effort to increase advertising and to have our dealer friends renew their backing and financial support of *The Journal* and our special publications. Our membership has also declined and we must remedy this unfortunate situation now by urging past members to rejoin and by encouraging new members to join UNPI. Although I am personally disappointed with these facts, you and I and especially our new Board must continue with an intensified campaign to make what we presently have even better. Although not as your President, I will be there assisting any way I can. At the same time, I hope to devote more time to research and documentation of European Exhibition Imprints, to continue with my regular imprint column, and perhaps even initiate work on several long-delayed special studies.

You've made these last two years an enjoyable experience, and for that I thank each of you. Now, let's continue with the work at hand.

COVER

The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), under the authority of the Swiss postal system, began using its own service stamps 27 May 1982 at its Geneva headquarters. Pictured are the two lower values in the set of four stamps along with the 80-centime WIPO commemorative released by UNPA in 1977. The WIPO stamps, issued 27 May are referred to in an article by J. Emmenegger in this issue.

THE WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (WIPO)

By J. L. Emmenegger

On 27 May 1982, the Swiss PTT issued a set of World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) "service stamps," the first issue of such stamps in several years. WIPO became one of the United Nations 15 specialized agencies in 1974 and now has about 120 member countries. As with other Geneva-based UN bodies, it is entitled to issue its own official stamps, not to be used by private people.

WIPO, headquartered in Geneva near the Palais des Nations, had in 1981 a permanent staff of 250 persons. It is responsible for the promotion of the protection of intellectual property throughout the world through cooperation among states, and for the administration of various "Unions." These unions are founded on a multilateral treaty and deal with the legal and administrative aspects of intellectual property.

The Paris Union, with a present membership of 89 sovereign states, was constituted for the protection of industrial property. Patents for inventions and marks for goods and services are the most important matters of industrial property. The Convention was signed in Paris in 1883 and was revised in 1967.

The Berne Union, with a present membership of 72 sovereign states, was constituted for the protection of copyright. The main beneficiaries of copyright are: authors of books and articles, publishers of books, newspapers and periodicals, composers of music, painters, photographers, sculptors, film producers and creators of certain TV programs. The Convention was signed in Berne in 1886 and was last revised in 1971.

Among other things, WIPO carries out a program of legal-technical assistance for developing countries, helping them to deal with their patent, trademark, industrial design and copyright problems.

WIPO revenues come from the contributions of member states and from the fees paid by applicants for the international registration of trademarks, appellations of origin, and the registration of industrial designs.



WIPO service stamps issued 27 May 1982 for use at WIPO headquarters in Geneva.

WIPO has a liaison office at the United Nations in New York.

Philatelically, we can only report of the present postmarks used at WIPO

headquarters in Geneva. They are a meter machine and current Swiss stamps cancelled with the "CIC 1200 Geneve 20 Centre International des Conférences" postmark.

We see below, in Figure 1, a letter originating at the Lisbon Conference of October 1958, for the Protection of Industrial Property. We assume that special postmarks could have been used at the following conferences on industrial property:

Paris 1883
Madrid 1891
Budapest 1977
Lisbon 1958
The Hague 1925
Vienna 1973
Geneva 1978
Nice 1957
Locarno 1968

and at the following conferences on intellectual property:

Berne 1886
Madrid 1979
Rome 1961
Geneva 1971
Brussels 1974

Information regarding the WIPO activities can be sought from: WIPO, 821 United Nations Plaza, New York, New York 10017, USA.

NOTE: This short article is based on a brochure published by WIPO, kindly submitted to us by Mr. C. Massouye, chief of information, Geneva.

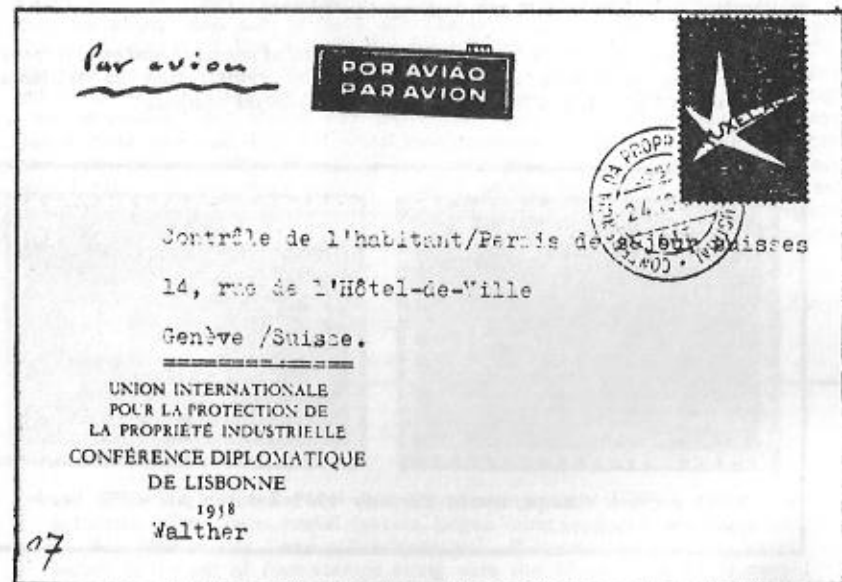


Figure 1: Envelope sent from the Lisbon Conference on intellectual property (1958) addressed to Geneva.

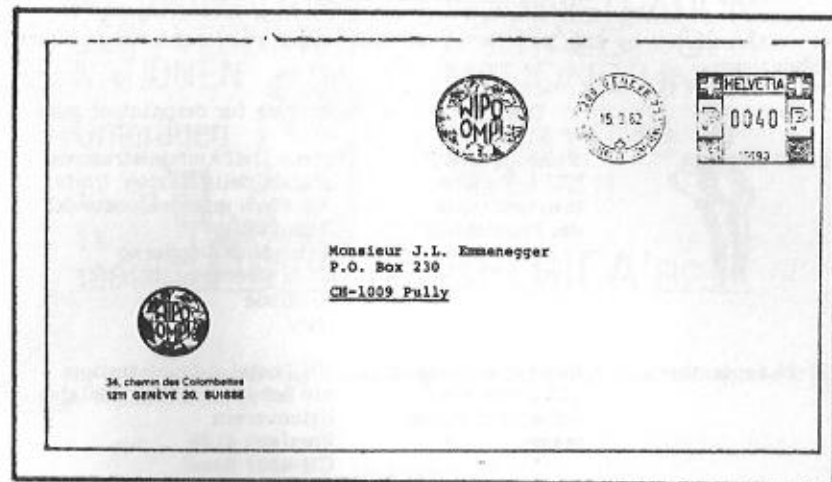


Figure 2: Meter postmark used at WIPO headquarters in Geneva.

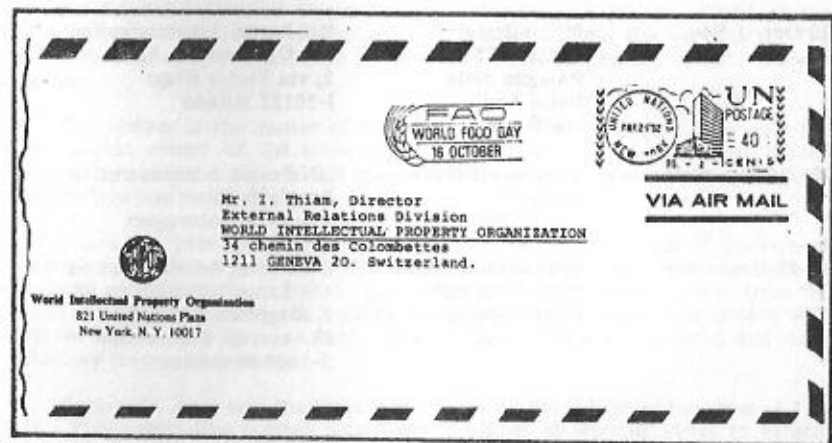
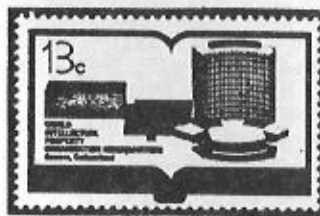


Figure 3: Official WIPO stationery of the Liaison office in New York sent to WIPO in Geneva.



UNPA's commemorative set honoring WIPO in 1977 included two values in US currency, pictured above.

PHILATELIC NEWS

Attendance by the UN Postal Administration at "forthcoming philatelic exhibitions:

Date	Town	Address for despatch of mail
27-30 August	Riccione (Italy) "XXXIV Fiera Internazionale del Francobollo"	Stand Dell'Amministrazione postale delle Nazioni Unite c/o Fiera internazionale del Francobollo Azienda di Soggiorno Viale Ceccarini, 111 Riccione Italy
24-26 September	Basel (Switzerland) 100 Jahre SPH Schweizer Mustermesse	UN Postal Administration c/o Schweizerischer Philatelistenverein Postfach 4139 CH-4002 Basel
13-17 October	Sion (Switzerland) "Sionvalex"	UN Postal Administration c/o Mrs. H. Schnyder 53, rue des Creusets CH-1950 Sion
30 Oct.-1 Nov.	Milan (Italy) "Milano 82" Palazzo delle Belle Arti via Turati	UN Postal Administration c/o De Rosa S.p.A. 2, via Victor Hugo I-20122 Milano
19-21 November	Unterageri (Switzerland)	UN Postal Administration Postfach 25 CH-6314 Unterageri
11-19 December	Brussels (Belgium) "BELGICA 82" Centre Rogier	UN Postal Administration c/o Exposition Belgica 82 J. Magidson & Fils SPRL 33, Avenue Clementine B-1000 Bruxelles



For illustrations of the cachets for the Basel and Sion shows, see The Journal, Whole No. 28, p. 89.

CIAPEX 82

by Ronald Hollinger

CIAPEX 82, held 11-13 June at Des Moines, Iowa, was the site of a First Day ceremony for the release of the United Nations stamps honoring "Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space." Mr. Misaaki Minami, Chief of the United Nations Postal Administration, was present to hold the ceremony. The United Nations Philatelists Board of Directors was also present to hold a board meeting.

Des Moines is the center of many United Nations collectors, probably the third largest center of UN philatelists in the country. The Midwest United Nations Collectors, a regional UN specialty club, also was present at CIAPEX for a convention and meeting.

There was over 100 frames of exhibits, with about 20 frames of UN-related material on exhibit at the show. UN Material was not common with the dealers, but some good items were found. One collector found a service cover from the San Francisco Convention and quickly snatched it up. I found two covers with inverted daters at a very low cost. The UN Post Office was present, and many collectors made a stop here.

Friday, 11 June saw the First Day Ceremony being held at the show at 7:30 P.M. This seems like a good time since it allows us working stiffs to attend. There were over one hundred people in attendance, and each one got a coveted white presentation folder containing copies of the new Outer Space stamps with the First Day cancellation. If you have not seen the new folder, try to pick one up. It now has "United Nations" in Arabic, along with the other five official languages. Mr. Minami presented the officers of CIAPEX 82 with large blue presentation folders. The women of CIAPEX supplied coffee, punch, cookies and cake. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. Minami was much in demand for autographs, signing in English and Japanese.

Saturday saw much UN-related activity. Midwest United Nations Collectors (MUNC) held a joint meeting with United Nations Philatelists. About 30 members were in attendance. The UN provided an interesting film on the use of outer space to help in such programs as weather forecasting, mineral deposit location and food production. As always, this was a well produced film. Much fellowship was shared by such familiar names in UN philately as the Grissmans, Jack Mayer, Neil Koshnic, Duane Lamers, Ben Cohen and many, many more.



UNPA Chief Masaaki Minami converses with UNP Members Carl and Ruth Grissmann at the UNPA sales table at CIAPEX.



Vice President Mayer inspects the "United Nations European Office" exhibit, winner of the UNP gold medal at CIAPEX.



The UNP Board of Directors met 12 June at CIAPEX to review policies and practices. L to R: Duane Lamers, Journal Editor, representing President Charles Smith; Stephen Cohen, Vice President-elect; Ronald Hollinger, Secretary; Benjamin Cohen, Director; and Jack Mayer, Vice President and President-elect.



Carl Grissmann accepts the UNP bronze award from Vice President Mayer for "The Balloon Flights from the United Nations in Vienna" exhibit at CIAPEX.

The UNP Board met immediately after the MUNC meeting. Present were Jack Mayer, Vice President; Ron Hollinger, Secretary; Ben Cohen, Director; Duane Lamers, Editor and acting proxy for President, Charles Smith; and Steve Cohen, Vice-President-elect. Convention sites for some future meetings were discussed and the following sites were chosen:

Fall, 1982: CPS, Chicago, 22-24 Oct.
 Spring, 1983 (board mtg.): MILCOPEX, Milwaukee
 Fall, 1983: NOJEX, New Jersey, Oct.

More information on these meetings will be made in the future. Plan to attend. You will have a chance to meet your officers and make your ideas known.

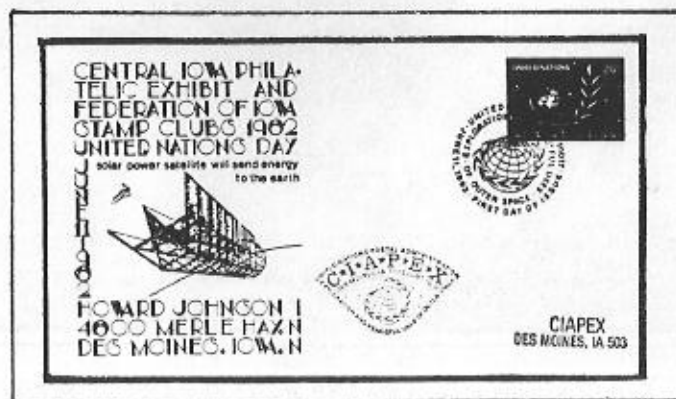
Other areas of discussion included public relations, Journal quality, membership, auctions, and Journal advertising.

Remember, you can get a \$1 credit if you recommend a new member. Just put your name and membership number on the bottom of the new member's application. We are always looking for help and suggestions from you, our membership. If you have a suggestion or complaint feel free to write any or all of your officers. Our addresses are in the front of each Journal. If you would like to volunteer to help in any way, we would like to hear from you.

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Grissman took a group of UN enthusiasts to a local Des Moines restaurant for a super Iowa dinner. You can bet on getting a good meal in a farm state like Iowa. Sunday saw the CIAPEX Awards Breakfast. A beautiful buffet breakfast was served. Awards were presented to the winners in each category, including the following UNP awards:

UNP Gold: - "Nations Unies-Office Europeen"
 UNP Silver: "United Nations-Second Decade"
 UNP Bronze: Carl Grissmann - "Balloon Flights"
 Honorable Mention: Fran Adams, Dorothy Green
 UNPA Presentation Folder: Fran Adams

Special show cachets of the U.S. value of the UN stamp were available at the show. I believe some are still available. Contact Wilma Hinrichs, 4200 Southeast Indianola Road, Des Moines, IA 50320. They are \$.75 each, 3 for \$2. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope.



Member Ruth Miller, a driving force behind CIAPEX and the Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Society.



Carmencita Dizon, UNPA sales representative at CIAPEX, known to many collectors for her charm and willingness to assist.

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED IN GENEVA OFFICE OF ORIGIN CACHETS

by Blanton Clement, Jr.

Mail dispatched from the United Nations and its various agencies in Geneva, Switzerland, often receives a stamped cachet indicating the office of origin. When questioned about these cachets, officials respond that these cachets are for "internal use only." Nevertheless, these cachets are a part of United Nations postal history and, as such, of interest to collectors. Some of these cachets give the full name of the originating office, such as "Division of Human Rights" or "Development Forum." However, in many cases, the cachet uses an acronym or abbreviation for the office of origin. Some of these acronyms are familiar to most of us, such as "FAO" or "UNICEF"; many, however, are somewhat obscure. It should be remembered that the name of the office may be either in English or French; this fact only increases the confusion.

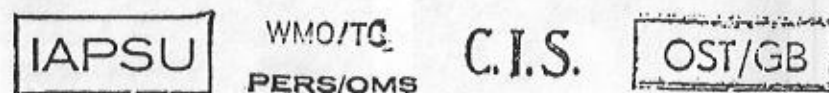
This article lists all the known Geneva office of origin cachets using acronyms or abbreviations and identifies the office where known. If any readers can supply missing information to this listing, please write to the author in care of the editor of The Journal.

In the listing, the agency using the cachet is given in an abbreviated form. Those which are not directly explained in the office listing are as follows:

ICAO	-	International Civil Aviation Organization
ILO	-	International Labour Organization
ITU	-	International Telecommunications Union
League	-	League of Nations
UN	-	United Nations
WHO	-	World Health Organization

The author would like to acknowledge that this information was assembled with the assistance of Francis Adams, Ron Ginns, Mike Konnick, and Jack Mayer.

Some typical Geneva Office of Origin Cachets containing acronyms and abbreviations:



Cachet	Agency	Dates Observed	Office of Origin
A & T	UN	1968	Purchasing and Transport (Achats et Transports)
ADM.	League	1939-44	Administrative Section
ADM.	UN	1964	Administrative Section
AMP	WHO	1962	?
BIBL.	League	?	Library (Bibliothèque)
BIBL.	UN	1947-82	Library
BPERS.	League	1942-46	Personnel Office (Bureau de Personnel)
B.P.OMS, BP OMS	WHO	1949-61	World Health Organization-Personnel Office
BUDFIN	ILO	1975	Budget and Finance Section
CCAQ	UN	1967-81	Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions
C/CH	League	1937	Committee of the Council for China
CCIT	ITU	1956	International Consultative Committee on Telegraph
C.d.D.	ILO	1949,75	?
CESI	UN	1978	Centre for Economic and Social Information
C.I.S., CIS	ILO	1961,79	International Occupational Safety and Health Information Service
COMPT.	League	1937-41	Accounting Division (Comptabilité)
CONF. 1	UN	1962-63	Conference 1
CONF. 2	UN	1956-74	Conference 2
CONF. 3	UN	1947, 53, 72,78	Conference 3
CONF. 5	UN, ICITO	1948, 66, 72, 74 76, 79	Conference 5

Cachet	Agency	Dates Observed	Office of Origin
CONF. 6	UN	1966	Conference 6
CONF. 8	UN	1963, 64, 73	Conference 8
CONF. 9	UN	1950, 79	Conference 9
CONF. 10	UN	1955, 62	Conference 10
CONF. 11	UN	1961	Conference 11
CONF. 12	UN, ICAO	1951, 66	Conference 12
CONMAT.	League	1940-44	Confidential Material
CONMAT.	UN	1947	Confidential Material
COORD.	UN	1968-71	Coordination
DDC	WHO	1954	?
DEPT. 11	League	1946	Department 11
DESARM.	League	1935	Disarmament Section
DESI	UN	1979	Division of Economic and Social Information
DG	WHO	1975	Director General
DIR.	UN	1947-71	Director
DIR. GEN	UN	1973-81	Director General
DISTR.	UN	1955	Distribution Section
DIV. PERS.	UN	1978-80	Personnel Division
E.C.E.	UN	1947-82	Economic Commission for Europe
E.C.E./TR.	UN	1961-80	ECE/Translation Section
ECOSOC	UN	1963	Economic and Social Council
ECOV	UN	1950-62	Supply and Travel Section (Econamat et Voyages)
ENVIR.	UN	1972	Environment
ESA/STAT	UN	1981	Department of International Economic and Social Affairs, Statistical Office
F.A.O.	UN, FAO	1947-69	Food and Agriculture Organization
FICSA, F.I.C.S.A.	FISCA	1974-78	Federation of International Civil Servants' Association

Cachet	Agency	Dates Observed	Office of Origin
FIN.	UN	1947-82	Finance Section
Fin. Tap.	ILO	1961	Finance ?
GATT	GATT	1951-77	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
HYG.	League	1934	Health Office (Office d'Hygiene)
IAA	UN	1974-78	Inter-Agency Affairs
IAEA	UN	1974	International Atomic Energy Agency
IAPSU	UN	1980	?
ICITO	ICITO	1950	Interim Commission for the International Trade Organization
I.F.R.B.	ITU	1976	International Frequency Registration Board
Imp. et Dist.	ILO	1926	Printing and Distribution Section
IMPR.	UN	1947-66	Printing Section (Imprimerie)
INF.	League	1938-39	Information Section
INF.	UN	1952-77	Information Section
INF/SDM	WHO	1979-80	Information Section/World Health (Journal)
INS	WHO	1963	?
IOB	UN	1973-80	Inter-Organizational Board for Information Systems and Related Activities
IRDS	UN	1973	Un Research Institute for Social Development
I. S.	ILO	1949	Internal Service
ITC PERS	UN	?	International Trade Centre, Personnel Section
ITC UNCTAD/GATT	UN	1971	International Trade Centre, UNCTAD/GATT
I.T.P.	UN	1969	?
IYC	UN	1979	International Year of the Child
IYDP	UN	?	International Year for Disabled Persons

Cachet	Agency	Dates Observed	Office of Origin
JIU	UN	1972-82	Joint Inspection Unit
JUR.	League	1937	Legal Section (Section Juridique)
LDD	GATT	1982	?
LING	UN	1978	?
MAND.	League	1935-36	Permanent Mandates Commission
NGO	UN	1980-81	Non-Governmental Organization Section
OMS, O.M.S.	WHO	1948-62	World Health Organization (Organisation Mondiale de la Sante)
ONG	UN	1950-80	Non-Governmental Organization Section
OST/GB	UN	1975	?
PENS.	League	1941-46	Pension Section
PENS.	ILO	1942-74	Pension Section
PERS. DIV.	UN	1956-65	Personnel Division
PERS/OMS	WHO	1964-82	World Health Organization, Personnel Section
POL.	League	1937	Political Section
PUBL.	League	?	Public Relations Section
PUBL.	UN	1950-73	Public Relations Section
PUBL CIJ	UN	1957	Public Relations Section, International Court of Justice
PUBL OMS	WHO	1964	Public Relations Section, World Health Organization
SATE	UN	1975	Purchasing, Transport, and Utilization Service (Service des achats, transports et de l'exploitation)
SATSI	UN	1982	?
SBE	UN	1968	?
SERV. PERS.	UN	1968-76	Personnel Service
SI.	League	1938-44	Internal Service (Service Interieur)

<u>Cachet</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Dates Observed</u>	<u>Office of Origin</u>
SL.	UN	1950-51	Internal Service
SIAT	UN	?	Internal Service for Purchasing and Transport (Service interieur des achats et transports)
ST. COMM.	FICSA	1968	?
STUP.	UN	1958-70	Narcotics Division (Stupefians)
SUP	WHO	1959-72	Supply Section
T.A.	League	1939	Technical Assistance Section
T.A.A.	UN	?	Technical Assistance Administration
T.A.B.	UN	1952-69	Technical Assistance Board
T.A.O.	UN	1960-75	Bureau of Technical Assistance Operations
TARS	UN	1964-82	Technical Assistance Recruitment Section
TC/FIN	WMO	1980	Technical Co-operation Programme, Finance Section
TRANS.	League	1931	Transport Section
UNCTAD	UN	1968-81	UN Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	UN	1968-82	UN Development Programme
UNDRO	UN	1975-77	UN Office of the Disaster Relief Coordinator
UNEP	UN	1974-75	UN Environment Programme
UNFDAC	UN	1975	UN Fund for Drug Abuse Control
UNHCR	UN	1952-81	UN High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	UN	1976-79	UN Children's Fund
UNITAR	UN	1969-80	UN Institute of Training and Research
UNR PR	UN	1950	UN Representative for Palestine Relief
UNRWA	UN	1975	UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees

<u>Cachet</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Dates Observed</u>	<u>Office of Origin</u>
UNV	UN	1974-82	UN Volunteers
WMO/TAU	WMO	1956	World Meteorological Organization, Technical Assistance Unit
WMO/TC	WMO	1978-79	World Meteorological Organization, Technical Co-operation Programme
WRY	UN	1960	World Refugee Year
ADDENDA			
DEPT.1 Aff.Gen.	League	1940	Dept.1, General Affairs
ID	UN	1981	?
SOC.	League	1939	Social Affairs Section

ERRATA			
B.P.OMS		1948-61	
ADM.	League	1936-44	
CONMAT.	League	1940-46	
INF.	League	1934-39	
JUR.	League	1936-37	