

1934 ITALY



PERF 14 - WMKD - HELIOGRAVURE
 PRINTER - ITALIAN STATE POLYGRAPH OFFICE - ROME
 OVERPRINT - ITALIAN STATE POLYGRAPH OFFICE - ROME

One of the 1930 air mail designs was overprinted black. It was issued January 18, 1934 for use on the special ROME -BUENOS AIRES flight and all are surcharged except the 2 lire. All colors for the special flight are new. Overprints slightly different. Aircraft on the right side for ITALY. CYRENAICA and TRIPOLITANIA on the left.



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Sigfrido Wolf

Firenze, 15 marzo 1995.

ITALIA - 1934 - (Sassone n° 339 e Aerea n° 58).

2,75 lire verde oliva e 5 lire rosa. I due valori su busta raccomandata del Volo Postale diretto Roma Buenos Aires del 27 gennaio 1934.

Ho esaminato la busta sopra descritta e qui sotto fotograficamente riprodotta in riduzione.

A mio parere l'interessante documento postale è originale in ogni sua parte e si trova in ottimo stato di conservazione, l'ho siglato S.Wolf*****

for use on the
flors for the
ITALY.



1934 ITALY – CYRENAICA & TRIPOLITANIA

January 29, 1934 pilots Lombardi and Mazzotti set out from ROME to initiate ITALIAN trans-Atlantic air mail service to SOUTH AMERICA. Covers from BENGASI (CYRENAICA) and TRIPOLI (TRIPOLITANIA) were conveyed to ROME where a special postmark was applied. The ITALIAN airplane, a Savoia Marchette S.71 flew from ROME – CASABLANCA – THIES (SENEGAL) – FERNANDO de NORONHA ISLANDS (off BRAZILIAN coast). The plane went off course and crashed near FORTALEZA (on the BRAZILIAN coast). The pilots were not seriously injured. Pan American Airways carried the mail into RIO DE JANEIRO and BUENOS AIRES. Despit the crash mail arrived in BUENOS AIRES February 2nd – 4 days after leaving ROME. The overprint on all three countries spelled AIRES as AYERS. There was no time to print a special issue for the flight. All three countries overprinted copies of a previous issue.

1934 CYRENAICA

Former ITALIAN colony
Now part of LYBIA.



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BULGARIA



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Registered SOFIA December 19, 1945 to NEW YORK. Arrived January 4, 1946 Complete January 1945 air mail issue in pairs. Addressed to well known air mail catalogue producer Nicolas Sanabria.

1945 BULGARIA



PERF 13
 PRINTER & OVERPRINTER - STATE PRINTING WORKS - SOFIA

Tsar Boris III issue of 1940 overprinted black January 26, 1945



IMPERF - LITHOGRAPHED

100L parcel post issue of 1944 overprinted black, red, green and brown
 January 26, 1945. Surcharged 10L, 45L and 75L.



Registered 1947 air KAZANLIK, BULGARIA to SOFIA to BRUSSELS, BELGIUM.
 Due to runaway inflation in this period it is difficult to fix correct air mail franking.

BULGARIA



June 30, 1946 air from Sofia, Bulgaria to Santiago, Chile.



Postmark Santiago July 14th

1937 CANARY ISLANDS

Air mail service was suspended between LAS PALMAS – CANARY ISLANDS - MADRID and SEVILLE July 1936, the start of the Spanish Civil War. The chief postal administrator at LAS PALMAS was given permission to establish a provisional air mail service to SEVILLE with the GERMAN air line Lufthansa. To pay for this service a surcharge was introduced. The first mail left LAS PALMAS October 30, 1936. The service lasted until April 27, 1938.



PERF 14x13 1/2 - WMKD
OVERPRINTED - EL SIGLO PRINTERY - LAS PALMAS - CANARY ISLANDS

Issued by the Nationalist Forces on the first anniversary of the revolution July 16, 1937
There were three overprints. Surcharge of 50c brown, 80c green and 1.25 Pts violet.



1930 COSTA RICA

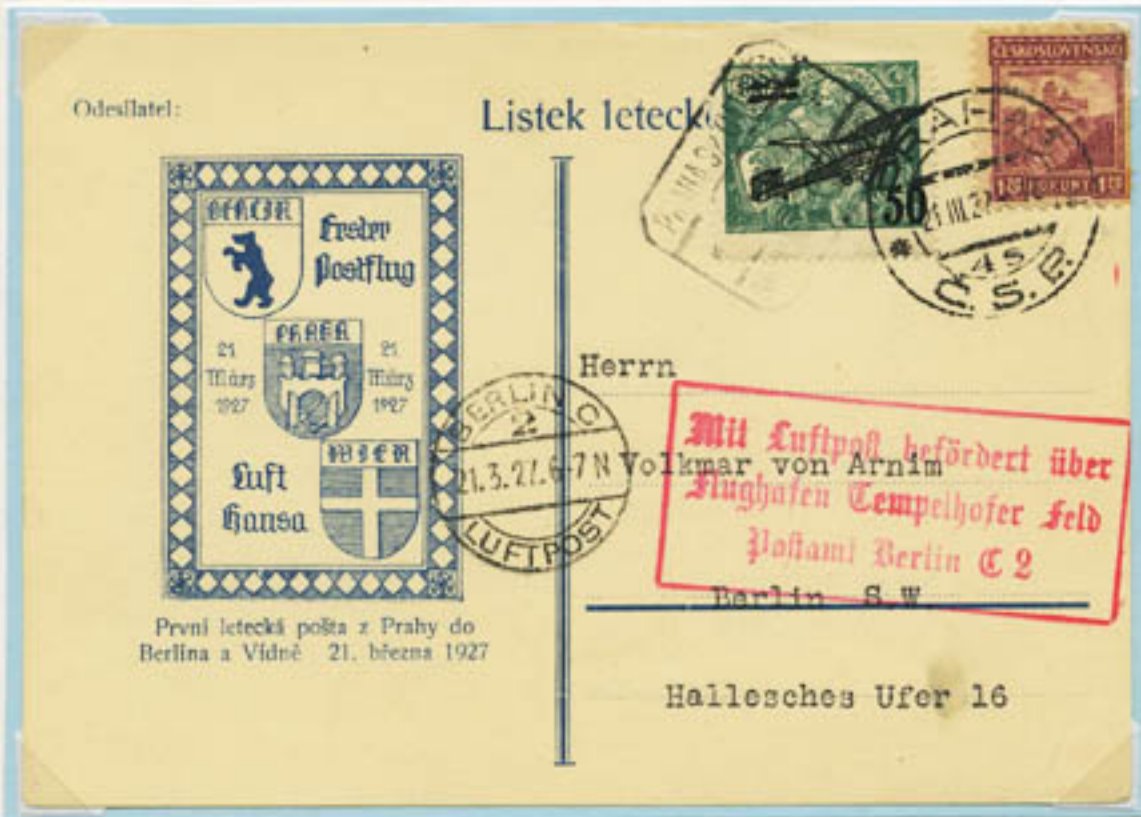


First flight SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA to MEXICO CITY March 11, 1930 Pan American Airways. First day air mail overprints on official stamps. Rate to MEXICO CITY was 40 ctmos air mail surcharge + letter rate of 13 ctmos for a total of 93 ctmos. This franking of 5x8c +1x40c + 13c surcharge or 93 ctmos is correct.

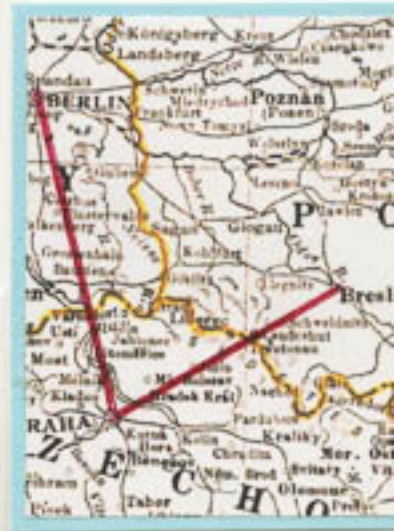


Air service MEXICO CITY arriving March 14th.

1922 – CZECHOSLOVAKIA



First Lufthansa flight PRAGUE to BERLIN March 21, 1927.
Correct franking. Surface rate 1.20 Kc + air surcharge 50h.



PRAGUE airfield to BRESLAU, POLAND April 19, 1927 by Lufthansa.

1930 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



PERF 12 - UNW MKD - LITHOGRAPHED
 PRINTER - R.R. HEYWOOD - NEW YORK

Postal Tax stamps overprinted and surcharged red December 3, 1930 to aid victims of the September **SANTO DOMINGO** hurricane disaster. The stamps depict the devastated city. It was obligatory to use the overprints on all postal matter in equal amounts to the ordinary postage. The above two were only on sale one day and as a result covers are very scarce.



Part of the overprint "HABILITADO PARA CORREO AEREO" missing.



Ultra and rose and yellow and rose

1930 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



Part of overprint "HABILITADO PARA CORREO AEREO" missing



Inverted overprint



Imperforated



Imprint "HABILITADO PARA CORREO AEREO" missing



Severe misplaced overprint

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 PAR AVION

Addis - Ababa Philatelic Souvenir,
 Registered Air Mail. First Day Cover. 31 DEC. 1944



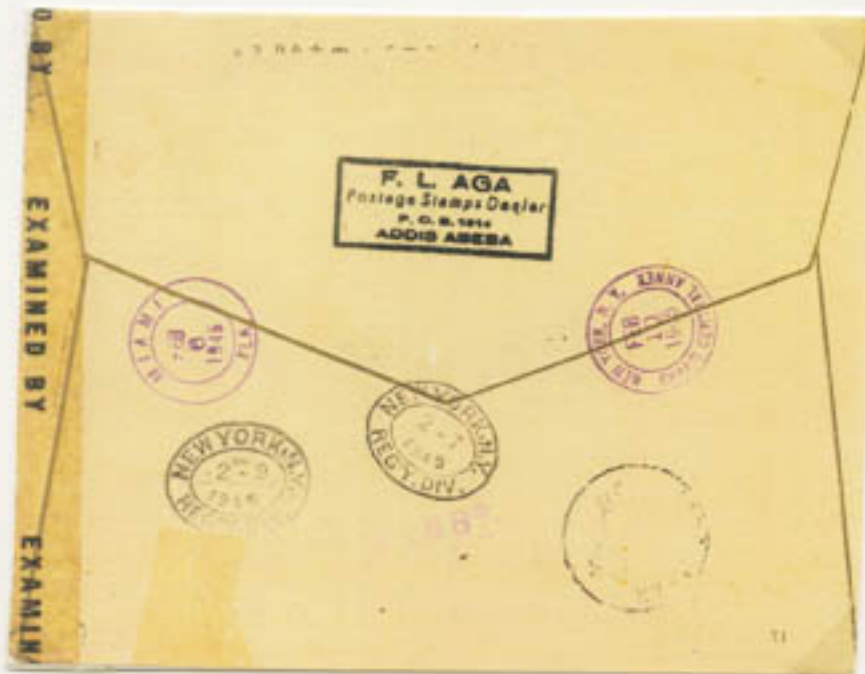
MR. K. FATOULLAH

505 Fifth Avenue

17. N. Y. (U. S. A.)

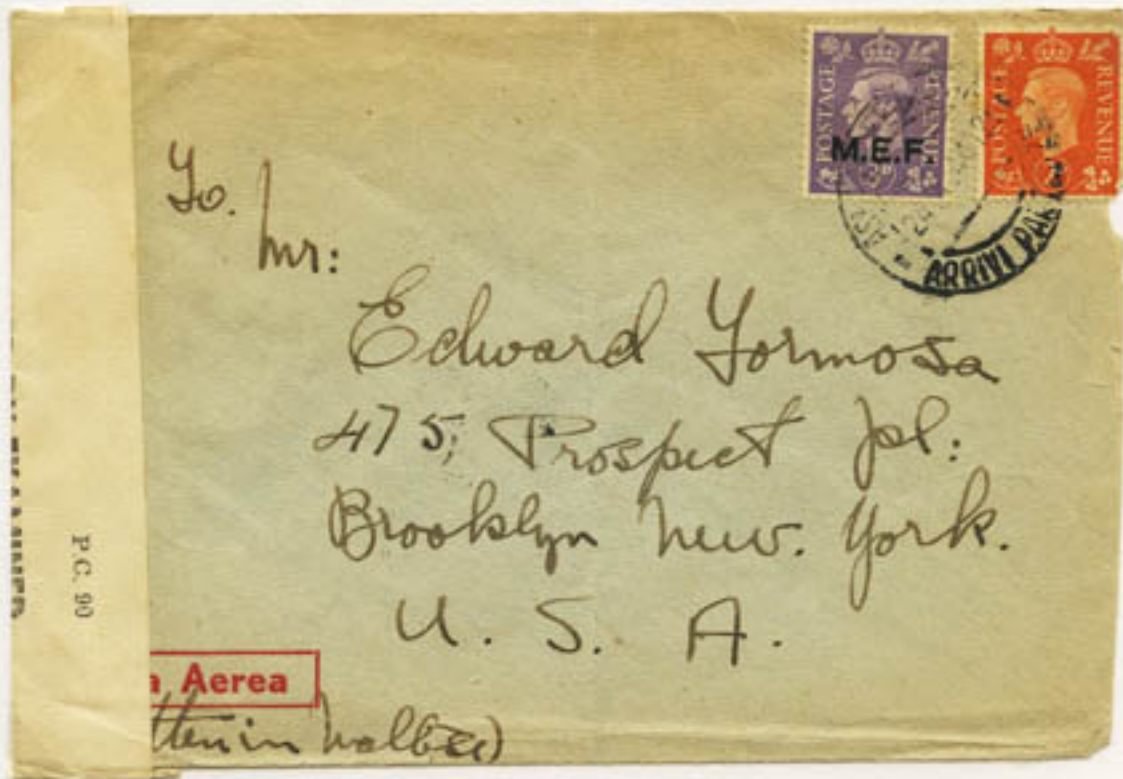
NEW - YORK

31 December 1944 ETHIOPIA to New York, New York.
 Censor cancel on U.S.A. "Examined by 20021" sello censor tape.



20021

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24 April 1944 ERITREA to Brooklyn, New York.
Written in Maltese and carried on the famous Asmara Railway.



16 January 1945 ETHIOPIA to New York, New York.
A commercial registered airmail cover from Addis Ababa.
Eleven stamp franking and Khartoum cancel on reverse.



8 October 1943 FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA to Durban, South Africa.
 French Equatorial Africa A postal control cancel and South Africa censor tape.



25 February 1942 FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA to Switzerland.
 French Equatorial B censor cancel, partly under Nigeria "opened by censor,"
 with boxed "11 Nigeria censor" cachet in red and "opened by examiner 771"
 Great Britain tape.

1937 GUATEMALA



PERF 126 - UNW MKD - HELIOGRAVURE
PRINTER - JOHANNES ENSCHEDE & SONS - NETHERLANDS
OVERPRINT - JOHANNES ENSCHEDE & SONS

May 20, 1937 ten types of 1935 air mail stamps were overprinted with a blue DC-2.
These were used as domestic air mail postage inscribed, "INTERIOR."



Inauguration of air mail GUATEMALA to HOUSTON via CORPUS CHRISTI
December 16, 1946 with correct air mail franking of 3c regular, 5c air mail and
1c tax for a total of 9c. At the time this was the rate to the UNITED STATES.



1937 GUATEMALA



PERF 12.6 - UNW MKD - HELIOGRAVURE
 PRINTER - JOHANNES ENSCHEDE & SONS - NETHERLANDS
 OVERPRINT - JOHANNES ENSCHEDE & SONS

May 20, 1937 twelve types of 1935 air mail stamps were overprinted with a black DC-2 for international air mail rates inscribed, "EXTERIOR." Both the INTERIOR & EXTERIOR sets were issued to commemorate the beginning of President Jorge Ubico's second term of office. At the time Pan American Airways were flying DC-2's in and out of the country. Thus the DC-2 overprint.



Censored from city of GUATEMALA to CANAL ZONE June 8, 1944 by Servicio Nocturno. A special window at the Post Office was open until 11 or 12 p.m. From mid-1936 onwards full double postage, including tax stamps (2x1c). It is probable the PAN AM flight left early in the morning. This cover has the proper rate of 3c regular, 1c postal tax, air mail per 10gr 19c + 23c x 2 = 46c.

GUATEMALA



GUATALON, GUATEMALA to LONDON, ENGLAND June 16, 1947 with correct air mail franking of 5c regular, 30c air mail and 1c tax for a total of 37c. At the time this was the franking for trans-atlantic air mail.



GUATALON, GUATEMALA to LONDON, ENGLAND July 8, 1947. Again correct franking.

1933 HAITI



PERF 12 - UNW MKD - RECESS
 PRINTER - AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY
 OVERPRINTED BY - COMPAGNIE LITHOGRAPHIQUE d'HAITI

Twenty cent of 1924 regular issue overprinted and surcharged 60c in red July 5, 1933 to Commemorate a non-stop flight of Boyd and Lyon NEW YORK to PORT-au-PRINCE, HAITI.



HAITI'S first air mail stamp was issued in 1929. Pilot J. Erroll Boyd was hired to fly mail from NEW YORK to HAITI along with co-pilot Robert G. Lyon. They left NEW YORK June 10, 1933. A storm forced them to make an emergency landing at ST. MARC, HAITI June 11th. The plane made PORT-au-PRINCE the next morning June 12th. The 8c U.S. air mail stamp paid for the NEW YORK - HAITI flight. The HAITIAN overprint was used on the return flight to WASHINGTON, D.C. July 6th. The mail was forwarded to NEW YORK by train. The cover is addressed to Columbia Flights, NEW YORK. That company was owned by pilot J. Erroll Boyd.

IRAN



RECHT to KERMANCHAH arrived July 28, 1928. Left July 30th to BAGHDAD by air arriving August 2nd.
On to U.S.A. by surface.



Arrived NEW YORK August 21st. Extra postage for
Government revenue on back cover.

IRAN

پست برلین



The New Motor Car Company,
Near East Lane,
P.O. Box 966,
Rue Colucarpacker 19,
Alexandria, Egypt.



تفخانه کورس اخبره
KOORS BROTHERS
Ehboran, Persia

پست برلین
Rue Colucarpacker 19,
Alexandria, Egypt.



TEHRAN to ALEXANDRIA via BAGDAD
November, 1929. Arrived CAIRO
Nov. 29, 1929

IRAN



November 26, 1929 RECHT PERSIA (IRAN) - NEW YORK
with 5 values of the 1928-29 air mail provisionals.



1929 regular 3ch of Riza Shah Pahlavi issue.
This 3ch was government revenue.

IRAN



TEHERAN to WOOSTER, OHIO June 4, 1929.

IRAN



RECHT to TEHERAN to KERMANCHAH to BAGHDAD by air arriving July 26th.
On to U.S.A. by surface. Correct rate.



Arrived NEW YORK August 15th. Extra postage for
Government revenue on back cover.



4 July 1944 MOROCCO to Noumea, New Caledonia.

Black on pink New Caledonia censor tape at left over Moroccan censor tape and oval Military censor hand cancel. U.S.A. sello censor tape 7104. Violet double circle New Caledonia 6 censor hand cancel. Scarce triple censor tapes.



19 February 1945 SPANISH MOROCCO to Decatur, Illinois.

U.S.A. sello censor tape 20010. "This article has been held by the office of censorship." It appears to have been released on 27 June 1945. Censura Gubernativa = Government Censorship. Tetuan was the capital of the Spanish Protectorate of Morocco.

1932 NETHERLANDS INDIES



1/2 x 1 1/2 - LITHOGRAPHED
 TYPOGRAFISCHE DIENST - GOV'T AGENCY - BATAVIA

as issued December 1, 1928. In 1932 air mail
 value was required. The 150 guilder value of
 and surcharged in green July 21, 1932.



TANDJONG June 3, 1933 to BATAVIA arriving June 8th then by sea to LOS ANGELES.



OCEANIC LINE
 HAWAII + SOUTH SEAS
 NEW ZEALAND
 AUSTRALIA

NETHERLANDS INDIES



First flight PALEMBANG (Island of Sumatra) to BANDUNG (Indonesia) November 15, 1925.
PER VLIESTUIG – by airplane



PANAMA



Dated February 8th instead of the 9th. No Backstamp.



Huge shift of overprint.

1930 PANAMA



PERF 12 - UNWMD - ENGRAVED
PRINTER - AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.
OVERPRINT - PANAMA GOVERNMENT PRINTERS

The 1 Balboa (100 centesimos) of a two set 1930 Pedro Miguel Loscks regular Issue overprinted red. Issued February 28, 1930 as a provisional air mail.



Registered air mail PANAMA February 28, 1930 to NEW JERSEY via MIAMI March 3rd. Arrived NEW JERSEY March 4th. Also on cover 1906 regular issue overprinted red 5c plus "R" in 1916 to become registered stamps.



1928 PHILIPPINES



PERF -11 - UNWMKD except 1P PERF 12 (WMKD)
 PRINTER - BUREAU OF ENGRAVING & PRINTING - WASHINGTON, D.C.
 OVERPRINTING - BUREAU OF PRINTING - MANILA

L.O.F. and aircraft overprinted in red. LONDON - ORIENT - FLIGHT November 9, 1928. Eleven 1917-25 regular issues overprinted to celebrate the arrival of four ENGLISH Fairey IID seaplanes flying an experimental air mail route between HONG KONG and MANILA. The aircraft flew from ENGLAND October 1927 arriving AUSTRALIA June 1928. They explored possible air routes in the EAST INDIES and South China Sea. They flew from PUERTO PRINCESA to MANILA then on to CABUGAO while enroute to HONG KONG.



Flight MANILA to CABUGAO via SALAMAGUE November 16, 1928. Correct local air franking.



PHILIPPINES



NETHERLANDS Royal Naval Air Force flying boat first flight MANILA to JAVA in NETHERLANDS INDIES March 11, 1935. Arrived SOERABAJA, March 15th.



First regular air mail service MANILA to ILOILO, PANAY IS. May 26, 1933. Also first day issue of overprints. Included on cover is von Gronau overprint issued September 27, 1932. Cover left MANILA post office at noon arriving ILOILO post office 4 p.m. the same day.

PHILIPPINES



REGISTERED

MESSRS LETTS,
8, HEADSTONE LANE,

HARROW.
Middlesex
England.

R MANILA
No. F. 28592

MANILA SIBERIA



Registered cover mailed September 29, 1932 two days after von Gronau's overprints issued. To ENGLAND via SERBIA. Registered Manila Post Office handstamp plus wax seals on back.

1932 PHILIPPINES



PERF 11 - UNW MKD
 PRINTER - BUREAU OF ENGRAVING & PRINTING - WASHINGTON, D.C.
 OVERPRINTING - BUREAU OF PRINTING - MANILA

The seven regular issues of May 3, 1932 were overprinted September 27th commemorating the visit of Captain Wolfgang von Gronau's round-the-world flight. The aircraft was a Dornier Wal flying boat.



MANILA to SHANGHAI February 16, 1936 by British Royal Air Force flying boat. 16c rate was basic rate to foreign destinations 20 grams or less. As these were early flights to a close destination there apparently wasn't a surcharge.



1933 PHILIPPINES



PERF 11 - UNW MKD

PRINTER - BUREAU OF ENGRAVING & PRINTING - WASHINGTON, D.C.
OVERPRINTING - BUREAU OF PRINTING - MANILA

Two cent of 1917 regular issue overprinted green May 26, 1933 with small aircraft. Five of 1932 regular issue overprinted green with larger aircraft. Correct franking @ 16c foreign for 20 g or less.



MANILA to SINGAPORE June 29, 1935. Flown by British Royal Air Corp.
Arrived SINGAPORE July 1st.



1931 SALVADOR



PERF 14 - UNW MKD - ENGRAVED
PRINTER - WATERLOW & SONS LTD - LONDON
OVERPRINTING - NATIONAL PRINTING OFFICE

1 colon regular issue of 1926 overprinted red June 29, 1931 as provisional air mail postage.



Registered first air mail service SALVADOR to COLOMBIA July 1, 1931. Arrived BARRANQUILLA July 6th. Signed by Postmaster General and pilot R. Ashley.

1938 SPAIN



PERF 11 - UNW MKD
 PRINTER - FABRICA NACIONAL de MONEDAS Y TIMBRES
 OVERPRINT - OLIVA de VILANOVA - BARCELONA

The 25c "Black Lady" of the 1931 Monserrat Monastery issue was overprinted June 15, 1938. Foreign Currency was badly needed for the war effort and a large supply of this issue was available. To induce sales the five overprints and surcharges of the 25c "Black Lady" were in different colors. Spanish stamps were very popular worldwide. Internal air mail was non-existent during the Spanish Civil War. International air mail rates differed for most countries and was paid in addition to the international surface rate.



BARCELONA to MONTBLANCH July 8, 1938. Extra stamp is a local BARCELONA issue.

1930 TUNISIA



PERF 14 x 13 1/2 - TYPOGRAPHED
 PRINTER - FRENCH GOV'T PRINTING WORKS - PARIS

Same design as regular issue of 1926 in different values and colors. Overprinted and surcharged blue. Issued August 1, 1930. All three surcharged values 1.50fr.



First flight TUNIS to LONDON June 2, 1936 by Air France in 12 hours. Franking 1.55fr. 1.25fr air mail via FRANCE plus 30c. TUNIS to England was 1.55 printed matter. Printed matter rates versus letter rates are confusing. At this time there is no information as to the air mail rate directly from TUNISIA to LONDON during this period in time. A recent study group has been formed re rates.

TUNISIA



TUNIS to VIENNA via ANTIBES ALPS-MARITIMES (FRANCE) 1927.



TUNIS to BRUSSELS August 13, 1937. Franking three overprinted 1fr of 1925-26 regular issue & 50c 1934 issue.

TUNISIA



Registered flight TUNIS to ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA July 13, 1938.



1934 TURKEY



PERF 12 - UNW MKD - RECESS
PRINTER - BRADBURY, WILKINSON & CO.
OVERPRINT - DAMGA PRINTING CO. - ISTANBUL

The first air mail stamps were brown or blue overprints of the 1930 regular issue. The 12 ½ kurush and 20k were also surcharged. Date of issue July 15, 1934. There is a star and crescent design on the fuselage of the airplane overprint. On some stamps this design is barely visible due to bad plates and printing. As shown above the aircraft overprint varies.

1937-1941 TURKEY



PERF 12 - UNW MKD - RECESS
PRINTER - BRADBURY, WILKINSON & CO.
OVERPRINTER - DAMGA PRINTING CO. - ISTANBUL

February 4, 1937 three additional provisional overprints and Surcharges in black of the 1930 regular issue were added.



PERF 12 - UNW MKD - RECESS
PRINTER - BRADBURY, WILKINSON & CO.

December 18, 1941 three additional overprints and surcharges in black of the regular 1930 issue were added. The first regular air mail stamps were not issued until January 1, 1941.

TURKEY



Postcard from SISLI to BROOKLYN, NEW YORK September 13, 1943. Air mail postage is Added to the Karush postcard. Added are two 7 ½ k of the 1934 air mail overprints plus two 40k and a 2k 1941 postal tax stamp. Total postage is 100Karush or 1 lire.

1947 YEMEN



PERF 12 1/2 - WMKD - LITHOGRAPHED

Six of a 13 set 1940 regular issue overprinted with a DC-2 in red July 2, 1947



Black overprint



Registered air cover YEMEN to NEW YORK via ADEN April 23, 1951.



Arrived NEW YORK April 28, 1951.



1947 YEMEN



Double overprints



Registered air YEMEN via ADEN to NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK. Stamp in middle double overprinted.



Postmarked ADEN February 24, 1956. Arrived NEW ROCHELLE March 21st.

YEMEN



Registered air cover YEMEM to NEW YORK April, 1951. Arrived NEW YORK May 12, 1951.

