

UPU Specimen Stamps 1878–1961

Addenda & Corrigenda

list	page	position	addenda & corrigenda	notes
1	xi	list	for 'Denis Smits' read 'Dennis Smits' — after 'Susan McEwen' insert 'Hugh McMackin'	with author's apologies
2	xi	list	For 'David Spivak' read 'David Spivack'	with author's apologies
1	16	ABNCo	after 'lower right corner.' insert: An exception is the 1941 Honduras 1 cent Red Cross Obligatory Tax stamp that in the archives is overprinted SPECIMEN whereas copies distributed by the UPU are overprinted MUESTRA.	
1	21	collections examined	on 1 Feb 2016 the name of the British Postal Museum and Archive was changed to 'The Postal Museum'	
1	22	Tunisia	to read '... continuing into 2016'	
2	22	above 'Access to the personal collections ...'	insert: The 'Ambassador collection' was sold in two sales by Phoenix Auctions of Melbourne. It comprised a virtually complete world-wide range of single examples of stamps distributed by the UPU from 1910 to 1925, whether in normal unused condition or protected by overprinting, handstamping or otherwise before sending to the UPU. The collection is understood to have been formed by a senior postal officer in one of the Australian State capitals up to his retirement. Unfortunately, there are no markings to establish the provenance of the contents of the collection.	Phoenix Auctions Auction No. 48 23 Sep 2016 Auction No. 49 4 Nov 2016
1	29	paragraph 5	'In the late 1970s' to read 'From 1965' The article cited lists a large number of stamps of the Netherlands and Colonies issued between 1899 and 1901 handstamped ULTRAMAR in blue. Some of these were offered at auction.	<i>Nederlandsch maandblad voor philatelie</i> , March 1965, p. 129. Boekema auction 64, 28/29 Apr 1965
1	30	table	date of COLONIAS type c to read '1921–25'	
1	32	list	below 'Ascension' insert 'Basutoland 1933 ½d to 10s'	Universal Philatelic Auctions, Jan 2016, lot 1502
1	32	Tunisia	replace list of countries by: Bahamas, Belgian Congo , British Levant, Canada, Colombia, Cook Islands, Falkland Islands, Irish Free State, Italian Somaliland , Leeward Islands , Liberia , Malta, New Guinea, New Zealand, Newfoundland , Nicaragua, Niue, North Borneo , Orange Free State, Orange River Colony, Papua, Paraguay, Penrhyn Islands,	additions to June 2016 shown in bold , all offered by Grosvenor Auctions

			Philippines, Queensland, Rhodesia, Russia , St Christopher, Samoa, Sarawak, Sierra Leone, Somaliland Protectorate, Southern Rhodesia , Union of South Africa, Straits Settlements, Swaziland, Tasmania, Tobago, Transvaal, Trinidad, Vatican City State , and Zanzibar	
1	98	Bermuda <i>Checklist</i>	1938 pictorial: after '3d black & rose-red' append '1s'	John Cruttenden
1	104	British Guyana <i>Checklist</i>	1938 1st line: delete '3c' and after '60c' append '\$1'	John Cruttenden
1	120	Brunei <i>Checklist</i>	1907: below '\$1 red & grey' insert 'the 1c usually shows watermark reversed' – see SG Part 1 for other values	
2	167	Finland	delete 'Research since publication ... Madagascar Post Office collection.' and insert 'Research since publication of the 1988 Edition of this handbook and further investigation since publication of the 2015 Revised Edition shows that this is not the case for the following reasons: – The only examples of these panes recorded in any official collection are of the unissued 2½ penni grey and of the 20 penni printed in brownish yellow (issued only in yellow). The collection of the International Bureau contains these two panes as did the 'Ambassador Collection' (see Addendum to page 23 above). – The auction catalogue of the Bechuanaland collection lists these and only these panes. – Recent re-examination of the Mauritania collection shows these two values each represented by three single stamps (which may be assumed to have been removed from the three panes received) affixed closely together on the archive sheet, whereas all other issues are represented by strips of three.'	
2	168	Finland <i>Checklist</i>	below list for 1917 insert: '[the 20 penni and the 2½ penni were distributed as panes with 7×5 stamp spaces and a single stamp impressions at the centre]'	
1	171	French Somali Coast / Obock <i>Checklist</i>	1893–94: the 2f is recorded with SPECIMEN double	Arthur Maury. <i>Timbres de l'ex-empire français d'Afrique</i> (Edition 2010/2011)

1	172	French Somali Coast / Djibouti <i>Checklist</i>	1894: the 4c, 5c and 10c are recorded with SPÉCIMEN double	Arthur Maury. <i>Timbres de l'ex-empire français d'Afrique</i> (Edition 2010/2011)
1	226	Iraq	in caption for 'Mauritania' read 'Madagascar'	Freddy Khalastchy
1	258	Labuan	in line at foot of <i>Types</i> delete 'unissued' in caption to 1894 reply cards delete 'unissued'	Stewart Murray
1	296	Netherlands	insert new paragraph after 'Postage and Postage Due ... or overprint': The dove type 1940 2½c on 3c red and 7½ on 3c red, and 1941 2½c deep green and 7½c brown-red, were distributed in mint se-tenant pairs. The L/C and Bulletin explain that these pairs originate from coils used in automatic vending machines.	Lettre-Circulaire No. 7657 dated 20 Dec 1940 and Bulletin 31 dated 8 Nov 1941
1	296	Netherlands	delete paragraph 'Stamps issued for the Court of International Justice ...'	
1	298	Netherlands (International Court)	insert below heading: Stamps issued for the Court of International Justice between 1934 and 1977 were not sold to the public in mint condition. From 1940 until 1958 they were cancelled with a circular date stamp at the centre of each block of four before sending to the UPU for distribution. Note that from 1922 the Court was named 'Permanent Court of International Justice', since 1946 'International Court of Justice'.	Jan Vellekoop
1	299	Netherlands (International Court) <i>Checklist</i>	1934: before '7½c' insert '1½c, 2½c (dove type)'	Jan Vellekoop
1	303	Surinam	line 2: for 'Heijda' read 'Heijde'	Jan Vellekoop
1	441	United States of America	the SPECIMEN types are correctly described in the 2016 edition of the Scott <i>Specialized Catalogue of United States Stamps and Covers</i>	

Note that the above *Addenda & Corrigenda* are cumulative so that only the most recent list need be referred to and earlier lists disregarded.

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