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INSTRUCTIONS OF HEARING EXAMINERS

FOREIGN FRAUD ORDER NOTICES

Foreign fraud orders have been issued against the following persons and concerns. Postmasters authorized to dispatch mail to the foreign countries listed should return to senders, stamped "Fraudulent-Mail to this address returned by order of Postmaster General", all mail addressed to these persons and concerns. No money orders in favor of these persons or concerns shall be issued, certified, or paid.

These orders are to be enforced at offices authorized to dispatch mail to foreign countries.

SPAIN

Madrid

Recuerdo De Espana, Lista 47. Esquer & Marin, Lista 47.

BRITISH WEST AFRICA

Aba, Nigeria

Osolu, John, Rev. Fr., Superior General, Sacred Heart Mission. Osolu, John, Rev. Fr.

INSTRUCTION OF ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL BUREAU OF FINANCE

3-CENT NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION COMMEMORATIVE POSTAGE STAMP

The Department will issue a 3-cent North Atlantic Treaty Organization stamp through the Washington, D. C., post office on April 4, 1952, to commemorate the third anniversary of the signing of the North Atlantic

The stamp will be 0.75 by 0.87 inch in dimension, arranged vertically, printed by the rotary process, electric-eye perforated, and issued in sheets of 100. The color of the stamp will be purple. Since this stamp is of the ordinary size it will be supplied postmasters in lieu of the present 3-cent stamp of the presidential series for a temporary period.

The central design of the stamp depicts a torch, symbolizing freedom and peace, being held aloft by human hands, representing the strength and cooperation of united North Atlantic Treaty Organization members. A portion of the world serves as a supporting base for the arms and the torch. The wording "North Atlantic Treaty Organization" in dark gothic forms the top of the stamp. Directly above the flame of the torch appears the letters "NATO" in bold dark gothic. "U. S. Postage" in light face gothic is placed to the left of the torch, and on the right appears the numeral "3¢" in modified white face gothic. In a dark panel forming the bottom of the stamp are the words "Peace . Strength . Freedom", also in white face gothic.

Stamp collectors desiring first-day cancelations of this stamp may send a limited number of addressed envelopes; not in excess of 10, to the Postmaster, Washington 13, D. C., with money order remittance to cover the cost of stamps to be affixed. Postage stamps and personal checks will not be accepted in payment.

Envelopes submitted should be of ordinary letter size, and each must be properly addressed. An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope, and the flap either sealed or turned in. An outside envelope must not be sent for return of first-day covers. The envelope to the Postmaster, Washington, D. C., should be endorsed "First Day Covers" Collectors should refrain from requesting hand cancelations, since covers will be machine-canceled so far as practicable. Orders for first-day covers must not include requests for uncanceled stamps.

For the benefit of collectors desiring stamps of selected quality for philatelic use, the 3-cent "NATO" commemorative stamp will be available at the Philatelic Agency, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D. C., on and after April 4, 1952. To insure prompt shipment, mail orders to the Agency should include no other stamp issues. The Philatelic Agency does not service first-day covers.

Postmasters at direct and central-accounting post offices will receive an initial supply of the "NATO" commemorative stamps on orders prepared in the Department. As soon thereafter as production will permit all requisitions for 3-cent ordinary stamps will be filled with the "NATO" commemorative stamp for a period of several months. Central-accounting postmasters will fill all requisitions of district offices with the "NATO" stamps so far as their stocks will allow.

Postmasters at district accounting post offices may obtain needed quantities of the 3-cent "NATO" commemorative stamps by requisition on the Central-accounting postmaster.

Postmasters will please post a copy of this notice on the bulletin board, give information to the press, and notify all local stamp clubs regarding the issuance of the 3-cent "NATO" commemorative stamp.

Postmasters are cautioned not to place the stamp herein announced on sale before April 5, 1952.

STOLEN NOTICE-NEW CARD MONEY-ORDER FORMS

Since January 1, 1952, the blank domestic money-order forms listed below have been reported stolen.

2-10,437,470 to 2-10,438,000	Feb. 28, 1952	NEW YORK, USS Walke, N. Y.
4-17,423,835 to 4-17,424,000	Feb. 5, 1952	Premium, Ky.
4-18,839,854 to 4-18,840,000	Jan. 10, 1952	Indianapolis, Sta. 22, Ind.
4-20,931,412 to 4-20,931,514	Feb. 9, 1952	Springfield, Sta. 3, Ohio.
4-26,249,604 to 4-26,250,100	Feb. 1, 1952	Novelty, Ohio.
4-26,444,151 to 4-26,444,900	Feb. 5, 1952	Premium, Ky.
6-18,729,044 to 6-18,729,050	Feb. 10, 1952	Tampa, Sta. 12, Fla.
6-18,755,701 to 6-18,755,750	do	Do.
6-19,009,235 to 6-19,009,300	Mar. 1, 1952	SAINT PETERS- BURG, STA. 3, FLA.
6-26,196,464 to 6-26,196,500	Mar. 4, 1952	PINEY FLATS, TENN.
8-11,313,195 to 8-11,313,231	Jan. 18, 1952	Charleston, Mo.
8-13,675,696 to 8-13,675,950	Jan. 17, 1952	Lawson, Ark.
11-19,097,112 to 11-19,097,450	Feb. 17, 1952	Donner, La.

If any of the above-numbered forms are presented, payment should be refused, and the inspector in charge of your division notified immediately. In this connection attention is called to the instructions appearing on page 401, chapter 17, paragraph 12 of the Manual of Instructions for Postal Personnel, and the provisions of section 71.23, Postal Laws and Regulations.

POST OFFICE BRANCHES

Established **MICHIGAN**

Sault Sainte Marie: Money-order unit 1, effec-

Discontinued

IOWA

Des Moines: Camp Dodge (contract), effective

POST OFFICE STATIONS

Established

NEW JERSEY Red Bank: Westboro (classified), Monmouth County, effective Apr. 1, 1952.

Discontinued **ILLINOIS**

Harvey: No. 1 (contract), effective as of Feb. 29

Oak Park: No. 6 (contract), effective as of Feb.

Peoria: No. 25 (contract), effective as of Feb. 29, 1952.

Dubuque: The following contract stations were discontinued effective as of Feb. 29, 1952: No. 4.

No. 11.

POST OFFICE STATIONS

Discontinued

MICHIGAN

Battle Creek: No. 9 (contract), effective as of Feb. 29, 1952. TEXAS

McAllen: "A" (contract), effective Mar. 15,

San Antonio: The following contract stations were discontinued effective as of Feb. 29, 1952: No. 15. No. 21.

MONEY-ORDER SERVICE Establishment of International

Money-Order Business Huron, Calif., Apr. 1, 1952.

1, 1952.

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Remittance should be made to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

HANDLE PARCEL POST CAREFULLY TO AVOID DAMAGE