1932 – 50, mail to Algeria

1932, 2 ½ g. on cover from Mecca via Jeddah to Algiers (single rate), with a forwarding request, and 1950, open printed matter from Mecca to Oran (1/2 g. rate). A scarce

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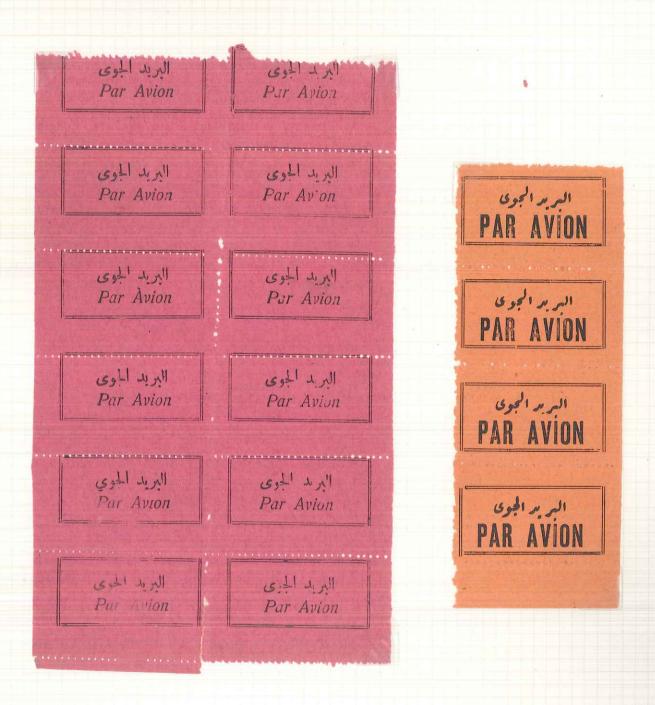
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1933, airmail label sheet of 12, one (pos. 5) with misprint "A" with accent. Highest rarity rating in the SAB Handbook (Nos. A2a, A2b), which only records sheet of 10.



1932, First issue in corner strip (SAB NO. A-1a). Rare.

1932, 2½ g. ultramarine, pair on registered cover from Medina via Jeddah and Egypt to Germany. A scarce franking.



1932 - 36, incoming mail

1932, illustrated cover from Karachi (30.8) via Port Said (4.9) and Port Taufig (5.9) to Jeddah (11.9), franked ½ A. + 3 As. + 6 As. (9½ As. rate) and 1936, airmail cover from Geryville / Algeria (4.3) via Oran (5.3) and Marseille (7.3) to Athens (Air France), then to Alexandria by Imperial Airways (arr. 10.3), and overland via Port Taufig (11.3) to





1933, Official Mail to Belgium

1931, 1 ¾ G. (4) paying the registered postage to Belgium on an official envelope headed "Royaume de L'Arabie Soudite". A very early usage from the PTT Administration of the newly proclaimed Kingdom which was apparently not yet sure that its official mail would be accepted and not taxed.



Mecca (20.7.33), Jeddah (22.7), Port Taufiq (31.7), Port Said (31.7), Brussels (5.8).

1933, another registered official cover sent stampless from Mecca two months later (12.9 – dates in postmark transposed to 21.9), via Jeddah (13.9), Port Taufiq (17.9) and Alexandria (18.9) to Brussels (25.9). The PTT Administration had now clarified that its official envelope were accepted abroad, Saudi Arabia having joined the UPU on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1927. However, as the stamps used in 1933 were still inscribed "Hedjaz & Nedjde", the PTT reverted to using official envelopes with that heading.



1932, Diplomatic Mail to Holland.

Wrapper from the Dutch Legation in Jeddah (2.6) to Amsterdam (14.6), re-directed to Rotterdam, franked with 1931, 1/8 G. (10). A very scarce franking and usage.

