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MAFIA: 1915 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. Light Green of Indian Expeditionary Forces handstamped G.R.MAFIA Type 1) in Lilac (reddish violet), an unlisted variety, unused with large part original gum is in my opinion genuine.

A rare stamp of unknown status, this is akin to the contemporary issues of Zanzibar with the same overprint. (See Note in the middle of page 246 of G.R.I.)



Ray Gibbs