CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

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NEW GUINEA - AUSTRALIAN OCCUPATION: SG 87(C) *
1915-16 "N. W. PACIFIC ISLANDS" overprint type c
on Australia Kangaroo 2½d indigo, 2nd "*crown* / A" watermark.

EXPERTIZING RESULT:
Genuine in all respects.
*(Using a special scientific microscope with 630 times magnification, the overprint ink
shows the correct structure/composition, in both transmitted light & UV illumination)*
Almost all the stock of 2½d 2nd watermark is believed to have been
destroyed in a fire at Rabaul, with only portions of 2 panes of 30
believed recovered (and some stamps were then cancelled).
Great rarity with only several mint singles of this type recorded.

CONDITION:
Mint with hinged & fresh original gum.

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Since 1999: Accurate, impartial & authoritative expertizing provided of the authenticity & condition of stamps, covers & other philatelic items.

Certificates are issued after detailed technical examination, based on my scientific background (BSc-Hons), and long experience as a fulltime philatelic expert. Comparisons are done with reference to extensive collections, and other specialists are regularly consulted for certain fields when required.

Examination equipment ranges from standard magnifiers, light sources, microscopes, scanning/image processing, to advanced scientific equipment that is at forefront of forensic examination techniques in philately, including:

- a special Leitz scientific microscope with 630x magnification for transmitted lighting comparison of composition/structure of overprint inks & paper fibers.

- a Foster & Freeman VSC-4C Video Spectral Comparator for comparison of the optical properties of inks under full range of wavelengths (IR-VIS-UV), and especially for detection of removed cancels & other alterations.

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