

Russia

Russian Socialist Federal Soviet Republic (R.S.F.S.R.)

25th October (=7th November) 1917 – 5th July 1923

RUSSIAN POSTAGE STAMPS

RE-INTRODUCTION OF THE POSTAL SAVINGS BANK STAMPS FOR POSTAGE

On the 15th August 1921, there was a major increase in postal charges which were as follows:-

Postcards and local letters	from	free	to	100 R
Ordinary letter	from	5 R	to	250 R
Registration fee	from	5 R	to	1000 R

The new R.S.F.S.R. definitive stamps had been ordered but the high values, including the 100 R postcard rate stamps and the 250 R and 1000 R were not available for distribution until late August and September. The low values which were issued on the 10th August 1921 were virtually obsolete within five days of being issued. In fact during this five day period there were no stamps available in any post office to pay the 100 R postcard/local letter rate. To overcome the shortage of high value stamps to cover the new postal rates, the decision was taken to authorise and re-introduce the Postal Savings Bank stamps and to sell them at 250 R each irrespective of face value. This applied to both the small format 1, 5 and 10 kop stamps previously issued in 1918 and later re-valued at 100 times face as well as the large format 25 and 50 kop Saving Bank stamps used in Savings Bank Books.

The back-ground is made up of intersecting loops. The normal is regarded as when the loops point upwards and inverted when they point downwards. The paper used for the higher value Postal Savings Bank stamps was watermarked with vertical diamonds but with these larger format stamps horizontal diamonds are much scarcer and only exist on the 50 kop brown on pale brown and the stamp with only a '1' for the year date..

1921 (15th Aug) Postal Savings Bank stamps authorised for postage at 250 R

Wove paper Typo. Watermark vert.diamonds Perf. 13 S.G.201-202 (Mi.)

A – Dated 18-----2 Inverted back-ground – loops point upwards.



ODESSA
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-----EKSP
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MOSCOW

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OBLIGATORY TAX – EXCHANGE CONTROL STAMPS

The Third Issue – Issued 1 January 1925 – withdrawn on 31 December 1927

War charity stamps of 1914-15, with a typographed overprint in black.

Back of a cover to Alexandria, Egypt



Dispatch

Receiver ARABIC ALEXANDRIA DELIVERY 8-VIII 27 8. -I

Receiver ALEXANDRIE EGYPTE 9 AOUT 27

25 kop/7 kop (Perf 13½, type II, sub-type C) exchange control stamp, cancelled with the violet, rectangular box cachet M/s. No 7466 with a facsimile of Chuchin's signature

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Registered cover from Moscow to Alliance, Ohio, U.S.A.



Dispatch	МОСКВА ЖС 1 _E ГОР.П.ОТД. Ч	14 1 28 12
Transit	NEW YORK • N.Y. REG'Y. DIV. (black oval)	1 - 30 1928
Receiver	ALLIANCE OHIO REGISTERED	JAN 31 1928

10 kop/3 kop (Perf 11½, type II) exchange control stamp, cancelled with the violet, rectangular box cachet M/s. No 1485 with a facsimile of Chuchin's signature

Franked 14 kop Esperanto Conf. stamp (Perf 10 x 10½, no wtk) + 10 kop large workers head stamp + 2 x 7 kop (perf 12, typo, wtk, workers head) = 38 kop
Moscow registration label

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Registered cover from Moscow to London



Dispatch МОСКВА № 1 ЭКСПЕДИЦИЯ 2

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Receiver REGISTERED LONDON. E.C. C 59

10 NO 25

50 kop/1 kop (Perf 11½, type II, sub-type B) exchange control stamp, cancelled with the violet, rectangular box cachet

Franked 20 kop Lenin mourning (21 x 26 ½ mm frame, imp) + 20 kop/10 rub air stamp + 7 kop Popov 30th anniversary + 1 kop (perf 12, typo, wtk, workers head) = 48 kop

Moscow registration label

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Back of a registered cover to London



Dispatch

Receiver REGISTERED LONDON. E.C. 59

30 NO 25

50 kop/1 kop (Perf 11½, type I, sub-type C) and 1 rub/3 kop (Perf 11 ½, type II, sub-type B) exchange control stamps, cancelled with the violet, rectangular box cachet with a facsimile signature.

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The Fourth Issue – Issued 1928 - withdrawn on 1st January 1932.

The 1921, 'Agriculture, Arts and Sciences' stamps, with a typographed overprint in black.

The original issue was imperf. But for use as exchange control stamps they were roughly perf. 11½.

There were five values

5 kop on 100 rouble	yellow
10 kop on 250 rouble	slate-violet
25 kop on 300 rouble	green
50 kop on 1000 rouble	red
1 rouble on 200 rouble	brown



These used stamps seem to have been cancelled with a special circular handstamp in violet. When used on cover a large rectangular cachet was used. It is possible that these stamps were cancelled officially for sale to the public using a different cachet produced by the Soviet authorities..



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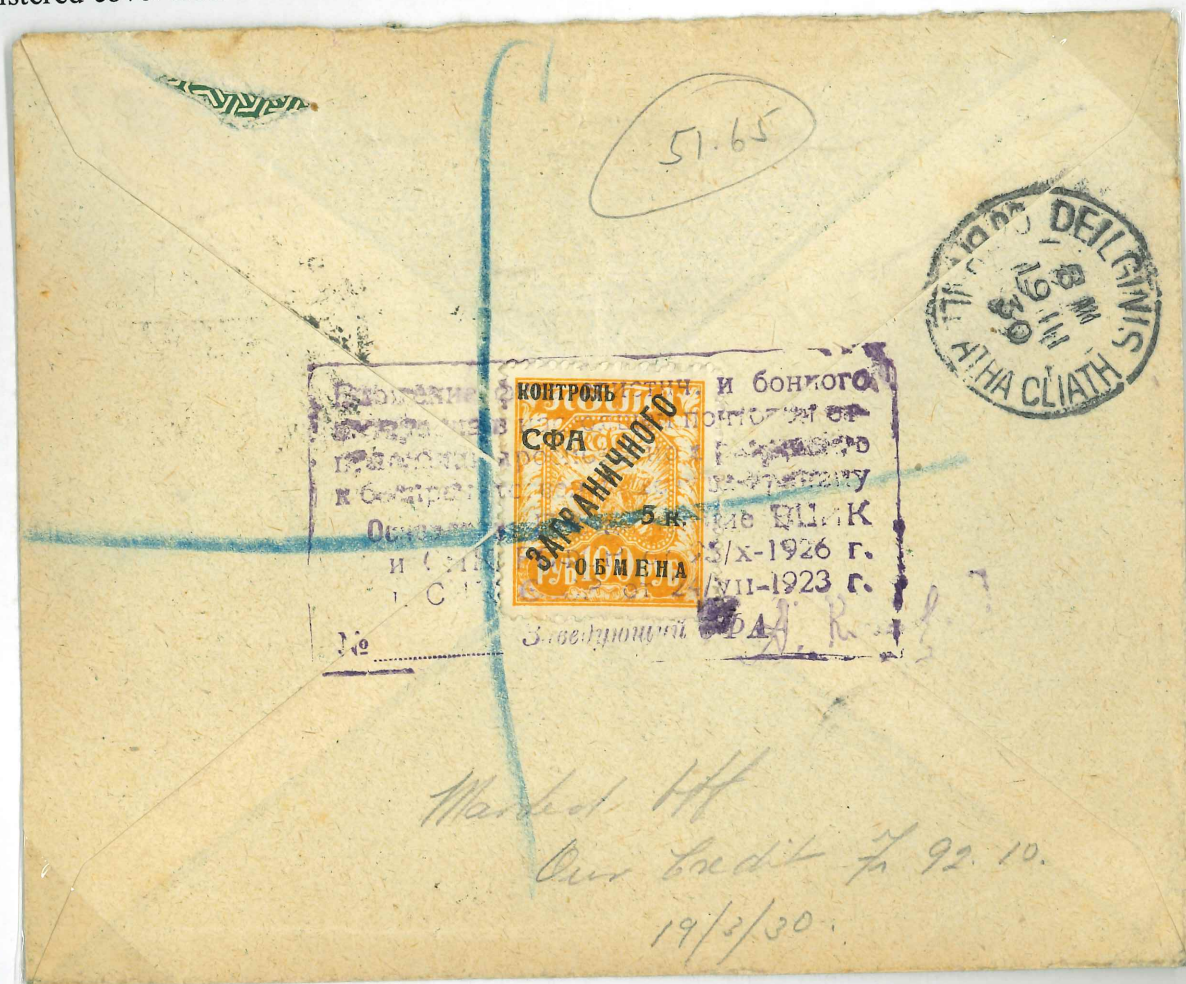
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The 1921, 'Agriculture, Arts and Sciences' stamps, with a typographed overprint in black.

Registered cover from Moscow to Dalkey, Co. Dublin, Ireland



Dispatch МОСКВА * 1^Е ПОЧТ. ОТДЕЛ. ?
Receiver DEILGINIS COVHAILE ATHA CLIATH

14 3. 30

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5 kop/100 rub exchange control stamp, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and a facsimile signature in violet.

Franked 14 kop 6th Int. Esperanto Conf. stamp + 14 kop large workers head stamp = 28 kop

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The 1921, 'Agriculture, Arts and Sciences' stamps, with a typographed overprint in black.

Registered cover from Moscow to Manchester



Dispatch МОСКВА * 50 ПОЧТ. ОТДЕЛ. Б

12. 12. 30

No receiving mark

5 kop/100 rub exchange control stamp, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and a facsimile signature in violet.

Franked 5 x 1 kop + 30 kop (perf 12 x 12½, typo, wtk, small workers head) stamps = 35 kop

Hand stamped, Moscow, violet registration cachet

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The Fourth Issue – Issued 1928 - withdrawn on 1 January 1932.

The 1921, 'Agriculture, Arts and Sciences' stamps, with a typographed overprint in black.

Registered cover from Moscow to New York



Dispatch	МОСКВА * 1Е ПОЧТОВ.ОТД. А	26 4 29
Receiver	NEW YORK • N.Y. REG'Y. DIV. (black oval)	5 - 9 1929
Receiver	NEW YORK (VARICK ST. STA.) N.Y. REGISTERED (violet)	MAY 9 1929

10 kop/250 rub exchange control stamp, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and a facsimile signature in violet.

Franked 20 kop 1st Child welfare stamp + 18/2 kop 2nd Child welfare + 5 and 7 kop large workers head stamps = 50 kop

Moscow registration label

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The 1921, 'Agriculture, Arts and Sciences' stamps, with a typographed overprint in black.

Registered cover from Moscow to Manchester



Dispatch МОСКВА * 50E ГОР. ПОЧТ. ОТД. ?

-6 9 31

No receiving mark

2 x 10 kop/250 rub exchange control stamps, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and a facsimile signature in blue.

Franked 14 kop (small Lenin head) + 7 kop (large workers head) + 5 kop 25th Anniv. 1905 Revol. + 3 x 4 kop and 1 kop (perf 12 x 12½, typo, wtk, small workers head) + 2 x 2 kop (imp, typo, wtk, small workers head) + 2 kop 10th Anniv. Red Cavalry stamps = 45 kop

Hand stamped, Moscow, blue registration cachet

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The Sixth Issue –

This series was produced by overprinting the Kerensky Chain-breaker issue of 7 November 1918, with a typographed overprint in red or black.

Part I - Issued 1 January 1932

First issue – 1 January 1932
15 kop on 70 kop black overprint
25 kop on 70 kop red overprint
50 kop on 35 kop black overprint
1 rouble on 35 kop red overprint



Part II - Issued April 1933- both series were supposedly withdrawn 1938

Second issue – April 1933
5 kop on 70 kop black overprint
10 kop on 70 kop black overprint
3 rouble on 70 kop black overprint
5 rouble on 35 kop black overprint
10 rouble on 35 kop black overprint
10 rouble on 70 kop black overprint

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The Sixth Issue –

This series was produced by overprinting the Kerensky Chain-breaker issue of 7 November 1918, with a typographed overprint in red or black.

Part I - Issued 1 January 1932

First issue – 1 January 1932
 15 kop on 70 kop black overprint
 25 kop on 70 kop red overprint
 50 kop on 35 kop black overprint
 1 rouble on 35 kop red overprint



Part II - Issued April 1933- both series were supposedly withdrawn 1938

Second issue – April 1933
 5 kop on 70 kop black overprint
 10 kop on 70 kop black overprint
 3 rouble on 70 kop black overprint
 5 rouble on 35 kop black overprint
 10 rouble on 35 kop black overprint
 10 rouble on 70 kop black overprint



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The Sixth Issue (Part I) – Issued 1st January 1932 - supposed to have been withdrawn in 1938 but copies exist on cover as late as 1941.

Kerensky Chain-breaker issue of 7 November 1918, with a typographed overprint.

Registered cover from Moscow to London



Dispatch МОСКВА * 50Е ГОР. ПОЧТ. ОТД. 2

-3 4 32

No receiving mark

15 kop/70 kop exchange control stamp, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and facsimile signature in black.

Franked 2 x 15 kop (perf 12 x 12½, typo, wtk, small workers head) +2 kop (imp, typo, wtk, small workers head) +3 kop 25th Anniv. Of 1905 Revol. = 35 kop

Handstamped Moscow registration cachet

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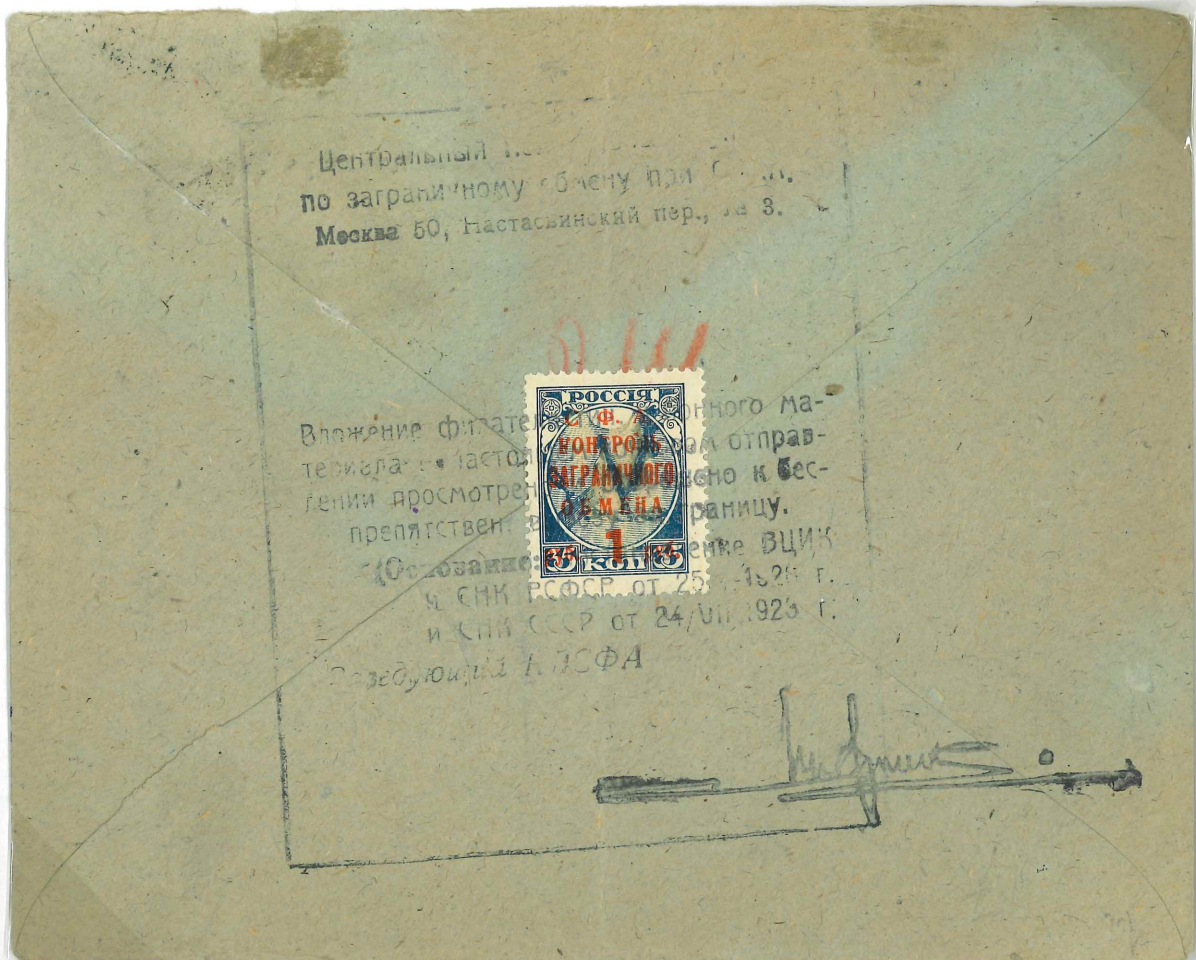
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The Sixth Issue (Part I) – Issued 1st January 1932 - supposed to have been withdrawn in 1938 but copies exist on cover as late as 1941.

Kerensky Chain-breaker issue of 7 November 1918, with a typographed overprint.

Registered cover from Moscow to Brussels, Belgium



Dispatch МОСКВА * 50_Е ГОР. ПОЧТ. ОТД. *a*

16. 9. 33

No receiving mark

1 rub/35 kop exchange control stamp, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and facsimile signature in black.

Franked 15 kop (perf 12, typo, no wtk, small workers head) +20 kop 1st Anniv. Lenin's death (perf) = 35 kop

Handstamped Moscow registration cachet

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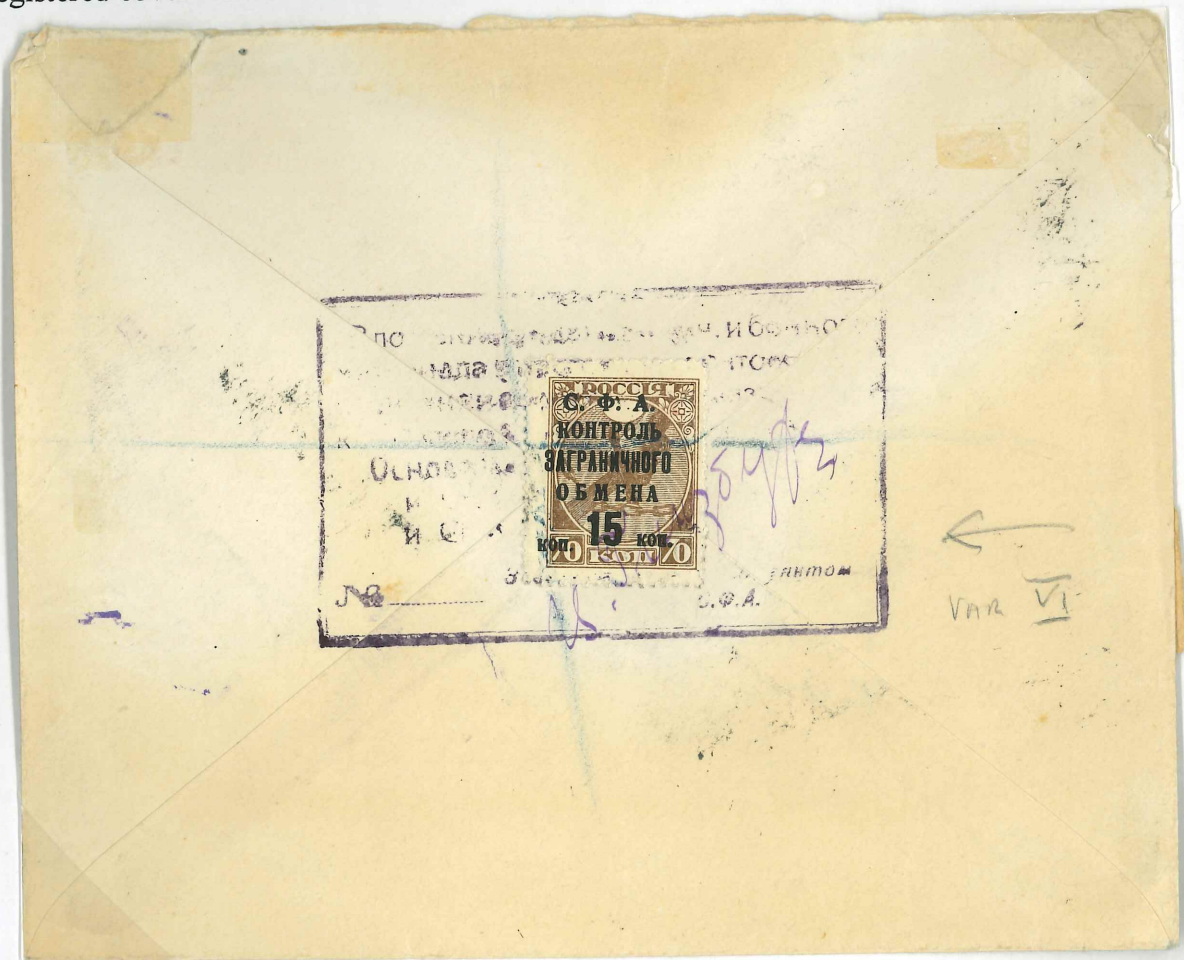
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Kerensky Chain-breaker issue of 7 November 1918, with a typographed overprint.

Registered cover from Moscow to London



Dispatch МОСКВА 37 к ДЗЕРЖИНСКИЙ Ч

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No receiving mark

15 kop/70 kop exchange control stamp, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and facsimile signature in black. **Note** – the word КОП to the left of the figure has dropped.

Franked 1 rub Air Force Exhib. (imperf-cut from M/s) + 30 kop rescue of North Pole party =
1 rub 30 kop

Moscow registration label

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OBLIGATORY TAX – EXCHANGE CONTROL STAMPS

The Sixth Issue (Part II) – Issued April 1933 - supposed to have been withdrawn in 1938 but copies exist on cover as late as 1941.

Kerensky Chain-breaker issue of 7 November 1918, with a typographed overprint.

NOTE - Registered cover from Moscow to London – Exchange control stamps used over two years after they were supposed to have been withdrawn. This is the latest use of Exchange control stamps recorded to date. (Mentioned by Hilary Norwood in his article in B.S.R.P. magazine)



Dispatch C. C. C. P. C-2 МОСКВА 3 1

14 2 41

No receiving mark

5 kop/70 kop exchange control stamp, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and facsimile signature in violet.

Franked 2 x 40 kop +50 kop Soviet sports stamps (1938) = 1 rub 30 kop

Moscow registration label

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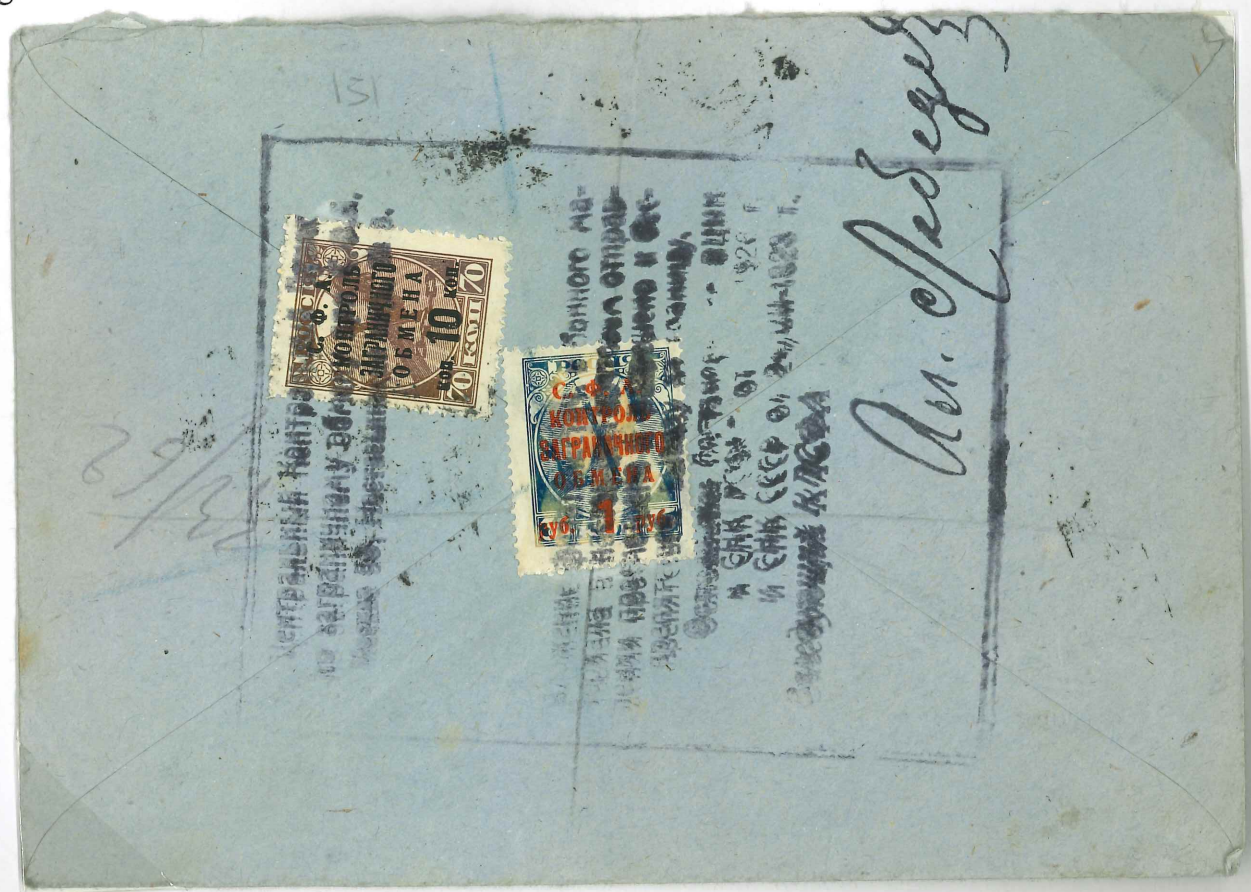
OBLIGATORY TAX – EXCHANGE CONTROL STAMPS

The Sixth Issue (Part I) – Issued 1st January 1932
and

(Part II) – Issued April 1933 - supposed to have been withdrawn in 1938

Kerensky Chain-breaker issue of 7 November 1918, with a typographed overprint.

Registered cover from Moscow to Stockton-on-Tees, England



Dispatch **MOCKBA – 63** Э

11 136

No receiving mark

1 rub/35 kop (first issue) + 10 kop/70 kop (second issue) exchange control stamps, cancelled with the rectangular box cachet and facsimile signature in black. Note – the word КОП to the left of the figure is raised.

Franked 1 rub (perf 12 x 12½) + 15 kop (perf 12½) Airship const. fund + 15 kop Ethnological
= 1 rub 30 kop

Handstamped Moscow registration cachet

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The Second Issue – Issued 1 December 1923 - withdrawn on 31 December 1924

Imperial insurance stamps, with a typographed overprint in black, gold or bronze. With this issue the exchange tax was extended for use with the exchange of paper money.

Piece of a cover with the exchange control stamp – stamp position 9



5 kop/5 rub (perf. 13½ bronze ovpt) exchange control stamp, cancelled in violet with the normal rectangular box cachet

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Imperial insurance stamps, with a typographed overprint in black, gold or bronze. With this issue the exchange tax was extended for use with the exchange of paper money.

Back of a registered cover from Kharkov to the United Kingdom (Colchester?)



Dispatch ХАРКОВ ПОЧТ.КОНТ.

Receiver REGISTERED COLC

* NO 24

1 kop/1 rub (perf.12½ black ovpt) and 5 kop/5 rub (perf.12½ bronze ovpt) exchange control stamps, cancelled in cerise with the normal rectangular box cachet M/s. N 1263

Franked 8 x 10 kop perf.12 typo workers head) = 80 kop (zolotom –gold currency)

Correct overseas registered rate – 20 gold kop postage and 40 gold kop registration fee

This was probably an overweight cover.

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Imperial insurance stamps, with a typographed overprint in black, gold or bronze. With this issue the exchange tax was extended for use with the exchange of paper money.

Back of a registered cover from Kharkov to Berlin – stamp position 3



Back only

Dispatch	ХАРКОВ ПОЧТ.КОИТ.	29 11 24
Receiver	BERLIN – MARIENSU*S BAHNPOST 7 8	6 12 24

3 kop/3 rub (perf. 13½ black ovpt) exchange control stamp, cancelled in violet with the normal rectangular box cachet

Franked 5 x 2 kop (perf. 12 typo workers head) + 5 x 7 kop (perf. 12 typo workers head) + 5 kop (imperf. litho workers head) = 50 kop (zolutom –gold currency)

Under-franked by 10 kop. Overseas registered rate – 20 gold kop postage and 40 gold kop registration fee

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Perf. 13½ - Only found on 5 kop/1 kop coloured paper
15 kop/1 kop coloured paper
25 kop/7 kop coloured paper
75 kop/10 kop white paper
1 rub/3 kop white paper

Type I – Both e and e upright



Type II – First e italic and second e upright



Type III – First e upright and second e italic



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75 kop/10 kop white paper
1 rub/3 kop white paper

Sub-type A - In the word БОHAM there is a space between the O and H, so that the word reads БО HAM.

Type I – Both e and e upright

Type II – First e italic and second e upright



Type III – First e upright and second e italic

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75 kop/10 kop white paper
1 rub/3 kop white paper

Sub-type C - The stop after КОП• in the value tablet is raised.

Type I – Both e and e upright



Type II – First e italic and second e upright

Type III – First e upright and second e italic

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 25 kop/7 kop coloured paper
 75 kop/10 kop white paper
 1 rub/3 kop white paper

Block of four showing various types

Type II –
 First *e* italic and
 second **e** upright

Type I, sub type C –
 Both **e** and **e** upright
 Stop after КОП raised



Type II –
 First *e* italic and
 second **e** upright

Type I, sub type C –
 Both **e** and **e** upright
 Stop after КОП raised

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1 rub/3 kop white paper

OFF-SET OVERPRINT

Type I – Both e and e upright

Sub-type C - The stop after КОП• in the value tablet is raised.



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Perf. 12½ - Only found on 75 kop/10 kop white paper
1 rub/3 kop white paper

Sub-type B - In the word **НЫЙ**, the last letter **Й** is at an angle and tilted.

Type I – Both **e** and **e** upright

Type II – First *e* italic and second **e** upright



Type III – First **e** upright and second *e* italic

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Perf. 11½ - Only found on 10 kop/3 kop coloured paper
 50 kop/1 kop white paper
 75 kop/10 kop white paper
 1 rub/3 kop white paper

Type I – Both *e* and *e* upright



Type II – First *e* italic and second *e* upright



Type III – First *e* upright and second *e* italic



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75 kop/10 kop white paper
1 rub/3 kop white paper

Sub-type A - In the word БОНАМ there is a space between the О and Н, so that the word reads БО НАМ.

Type I – Both e and e upright

Type I – Both e and e upright



Type III – First e upright and second e italic

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75 kop/10 kop white paper
1 rub/3 kop white paper

Sub-type B - In the word **НЫЙ**, the last letter **Й** is at an angle and tilted.

Type I – Both **е** and **е** upright

Type II – First *е* italic and second **е** upright



Type III – First **е** upright and second *е* italic

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75 kop/10 kop white paper
1 rub/3 kop white paper

Sub-type C - The stop after КОП. in the value tablet is raised.

Type I – Both e and e upright



Type II – First e italic and second e upright

Type III – First e upright and second e italic

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INVERTED OVERPRINTS

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 15 kop/1 kop coloured paper
 25 kop/7 kop coloured paper
 75 kop/10 kop white paper
 1 rub/3 kop white paper

Type I - Both e and e upright



Type II - First e italic and second e upright



Perf. 12½ - Only found on 75 kop/10 kop white paper
 1 rub/3 kop white paper

Type II - First e italic and second e upright

Sub-type B - In the word **ный**, the last letter **й** is at an angle and tilted



Perf. 11½ - Only found on 10 kop/3 kop coloured paper
 50 kop/1 kop white paper
 75 kop/10 kop white paper
 1 rub/3 kop white paper

Type I - Both e and e upright

Sub-type C - Stop after КОП-raised

Type II - First e italic and second e upright

Sub-type A -Space between the o and n;
 word reads бо нам

Type III - First e upright and second e italic



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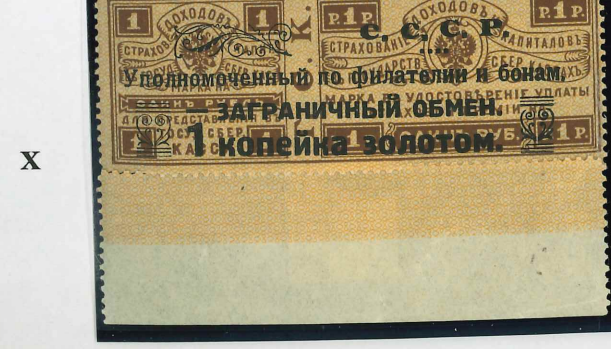
The Second Issue – Issued 1 December 1923 - withdrawn on 31 December 1924

Imperial insurance stamps, with a typographed overprint in black, gold or bronze.

Perf. 13½ - found on all four values

- 1 kop on 1 rouble overprinted in black
- 3 kop on 3 rouble overprinted in black
- 5 kop on 5 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze
- 10 kop on 10 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze

Position **1 kop/1 rub black** **3 kop/3 rub black**



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 3 kop on 3 rouble overprinted in black
 5 kop on 5 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze
 10 kop on 10 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze

Position

10 kop/10 rub gold

10 kop/10 rub bronze

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II



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Russia

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (U.S.S.R.)

6th July 1923 – December 1991

OBLIGATORY TAX – EXCHANGE CONTROL STAMPS

The Second Issue – Issued 1 December 1923 - withdrawn on 31 December 1924

Imperial insurance stamps, with a typographed overprint in black, gold or bronze.

Perf. 13½ - found on all four values

- 1 kop on 1 rouble overprinted in black
- 3 kop on 3 rouble overprinted in black
- 5 kop on 5 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze
- 10 kop on 10 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze

Position

5 kop/5 rub gold

5 kop/5 rub bronze

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 1 kop on 1 rouble overprinted in black
 3 kop on 3 rouble overprinted in black
 5 kop on 5 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze
 10 kop on 10 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze

Position

5 kop/5 rub gold

5 kop/5 rub bronze

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 10 kop on 10 rouble overprinted in gold or bronze

Position

1 kop/1 rub black

3 kop/3 rub black

II



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INVERTED OVERPRINT

Perf. 11½ - only found on 1 kop on 1 rouble overprinted in black

Note – This is an extremely scarce stamp and is not catalogued by Stanley Gibbons or Michel.
Hilary Norwood mentions it in his article in the B.S.R.P. Journal.



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The First Issue – Issued October 1922 - withdrawn on 30 November 1923

The Chain-breaker issue of 7 November 1918, with a typographed overprint in red.



Piece with the full cachet reading

Authorised by Central
Committee for Famine Relief
For stamps despatched as a gift
in Russia and abroad
20. XI 1923. No 2554



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The First Issue – Issued October 1922 - withdrawn on 30 November 1923

Registered cover from the Authorised Representative of the Central Famine Committee of Philately – publishers of the 'The Soviet Philatelist', sent from Moscow to London



Dispatch	МОСКВА • IX ПОЧТ.ТЕЛЕР.ОТД. •	-1. 7. 23
Receiver	REGISTERED LONDON. E.C. B 52 (red)	II JY 23
Receiver	REGISTERED LONDON. N. W. (black oval)	II JY 23

250 rub/35 kop exchange control obligatory tax stamp, cancelled with a special violet, rectangular box cachet for use by 'The Soviet Philatelist' inscribed in German. M/s. 28/VI 1923 N 1144

Franked 10 x 200 rub/15 kop (litho ovpt) = 2000 rub @ 10,000 times face = 20,000,000 rub
Correct overseas registered rate – 10,000,000 rub postage and 10,000,000 rub registration fee

Moscow registration label

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The First Issue – Issued October 1922 - withdrawn on 30 November 1923

Registered cover from Moscow to Libau, Latvia



Dispatch МОСКВА № 1 ЭКСПЕДИЦИЯ 4 16 11 23

Receiver ЛИЕПАЈА * LATVIJA F 20 XI 23

250 rub/35 kop exchange control obligatory tax stamp, cancelled with the normal violet, rectangular box cachet M/s. 13 XI 1923 N 2172

Franked 4 x 10 kop (imp litho workers head) = 40 kop (zolotom –gold currency)
Correct overseas registered rate – 20 gold kop postage and 20 gold kop registration fee

Moscow registration label

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GENERAL PROVISIONALS

FISCAL -CONTROL STAMPS FOR POSTAGE

1921 (15th Aug) Fiscal - Control Stamps authorised for postage at 250 R

Wove paper Typo. Watermark vert.diamonds Perf. 13 S.G.203-210 (Mi.)

Loops point sideways to the right.



Cover from Smolensk to Petrograd

<u>Dispatch</u>	СМОЛЕНСКЪ * * л	4 1. 22
<u>Dispatch</u>	СМОЛЕНСКЪ * *	5 1 22
<u>Illegible mark</u>		5 1. 22
<u>Receiver</u>	ПЕТРОГРАДЪ ЭКСП machine	11 1 22

Franked 1 x 25 R (S.G. 209) @ 250 R = 250 R – correct inland letter rate

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Cover from Voronezh to Odessa

Dispatch

ВОРОНЕЖЪ * * α

20 1 22

No receiving mark

Franked 1 x 100 R (S.G. 210) @ 250 R = 250 R – correct inland letter rate

Russia

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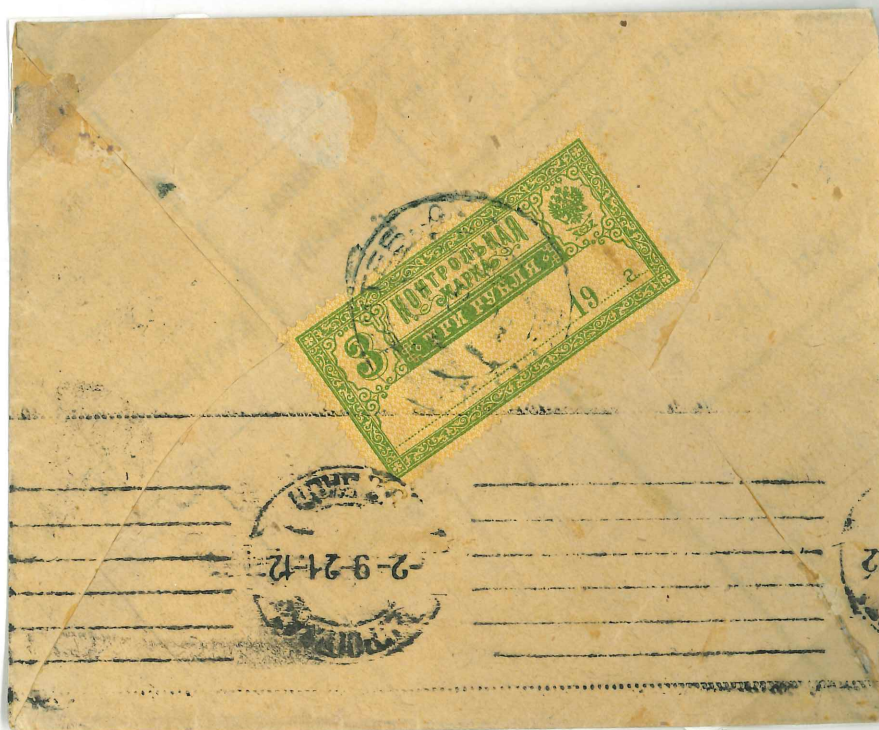
GENERAL PROVISIONALS

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Cover from Dolyissy, Vitebsk Gub. to Petrograd

<u>Dispatch</u>	ДОЛЫСЫ ВИТЕБ. * * α	31 8 21
<u>Receiver</u>	ПЕТРОГРАДЪ ЭКСП machine	-2-9-21.-12
<u>Receiver</u>	ПЕТРОГРАДЪ в 4 в	-2 9. 21.-6 8

Franked 1 x 3 R (S.G. 206) @ 250 R = 250 R – correct inland letter rate

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Part of a cover from Yaroslavl to Riga, via Moscow

<u>Dispatch</u>	ЯРОСЛАВЛЬ * * a	24 11 21
<u>Transit</u>	МОСКВА machine	28 11 21
<u>Transit</u>	МОСКВА 1 ЭКСП.	-1 12 21
<u>Receiver</u>	RIGA LATWIJA	-5 12 21

Franked 4 x 3 R (S.G. 206) @ 250 R per stamp = 1000 R – missing one stamp
Probably should have franked 1250 R - 250 R postage and 1000 R registration fee

Russia

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RUSSIAN POSTAGE STAMPS

GENERAL PROVISIONALS FISCAL

CONTROL STAMPS FOR POSTAGE

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RUSSIAN POSTAGE STAMPS

GENERAL PROVISIONALS FISCAL

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1921 (15th Aug) Fiscal - Control Stamps authorised for postage at 250 R

Wove paper Typo. Watermark vert.diamonds Perf. 13 S.G.203-210 (Mi.)

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Loops point sideways to the right.



ODESSA
15. 5. 22



CHEMBAR
27. 1. 22



ASTRAKHAN
25. 12. 21



ATKARSK

Used in conjunction with the re-valued 250 R Arts and Science stamps



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Loops point sideways to the right.



Inland registered cover from Omsk to Novo-tatarsk, originally addressed to Kazan

Dispatch

OMCK * * 6

9 1 22

Illegible receiving mark

Franked 5 x 50 kop (S.G. 204) Control stamps @ 250 R per stamp = 1250 R

250 P postage and 1000R registration charge

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Wove paper Typo. Watermark vert.diamonds Perf. 13 S.G.203-210 (Mi.)

Loops point sideways to the right.



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Wove paper Typo. Watermark vert.diamonds Perf. 13 S.G.203-210 (Mi.)

First day of the new postal rates. Loops point sideways to the right.



Overseas registered cover from Moscow to Manchester

<u>Dispatch</u>	МОСКВА № 1 ЭКСПЕДИЦИЯ 5	15 8 21	
<u>Dispatch</u>	МОСКВА ЭКСПЕДИЦИЯ ▲▲▲	22 8 21	
<u>Transit</u>	REGISTERED	29 AU 21	
	LONDON.E.C.	36	Balham
	C		

Franked 4 x 5 R (S.G. 207) @ 250 R per stamp = 1000 R – missing one stamp
Should have franked 1250 R - 250 R postage and 1000 R registration fee

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Wove paper Typo. Watermark vert.diamonds Perf. 13 S.G.203-210 (Mi.)

Loops point sideways to the right.



Cover from Birsk, Ufa Gub. to Petrograd

<u>Dispatch</u>	БИРСКЪ УФИМ. * * δ	3 1. 22
<u>Receiver</u>	ПЕТРОГРАДЪ ГОР.ПОЧТ. machine	14-1-22-2

Franked 1 x 10 R (S.G. 208) @ 250 R = 250 R – correct inland letter rate

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LOCAL PROVISIONAL FISCAL - CONTROL STAMPS FOR POSTAGE

SHORTAGES OF POSTAGE STAMPS IN TURKESTAN – 1919

Postage stamps ran out in the post offices of Turkestan in 1919. Although without Official authorisation, Fiscal Control stamps and Post Office Saving stamps were temporarily used, especially in Tashkent at face value.

ПЕРЕВОДЪ ПО ПОЧТЪ

на сумму 5000 руб. 00 к.

Место для марокъ.

Ваше имя В. Н. Савиной

Адрес получателя В. Н. Савиной

П. Т. Чиновникъ

СЛУЖЕВНЫЯ ОТМѢТКИ.

100

Ташкент 17.9.20

100

Ташкент 17.9.20

Никаких помятокъ и поправокъ не допускается.

Туркест. п.-т. обл.

Money transfer card for 5000 R from Tashkent to Petrograd

Dispatch ТАШКЕНТЬ * * 0 17 9.20

Receiver Violet box cachet Оплачонъ по ассигнзвнѣ

Отъ 4/10 1920 г. № 15

П. Т. Чиновникъ

Franked 100R Control stamp – Charge for a 5000 R transfer at 2% = 100 R Used at face value

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Loops point sideways to the right.



Cover from Vyatka to Petrograd

Dispatch

ВЯТКА * * a

-6 3 22

No receiving mark

Franked 1 x 1 R (S.G. 205) @ 250 R = 250 R – correct inland letter rate