

Greece

Founder member of the UPU.

The July 1887 distribution comprised triple collections of Postage and Postage Due stamps then in use (the 30 and 60 lepta had been withdrawn and the colour of the 20 lepta had been changed from blue to rosine). This distribution also included Post Cards and Reply Cards. The stamps and cards were all overprinted SPECIMEN type [1].

Apart from the 1900 Post Cards and Reply Cards and the 1923 Postage stamps commemorating the 1922 Revolution shown, all stamps and postal stationery items were distributed in normal unused condition.

TYPES

1886	SPECIMEN	11 x 1½ mm	[1]	Optd
1900	SPECIMEN	12 x 1½ mm	[1a]	H/S
1923	Specimen	10½ x 2/1 mm	[2]	RH/S

Large Hermes head issues
1880–85 printed in Athens on cream paper
without control number
SPECIMEN type [1]

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1887 TO 1900 UPU REFERENCE COLLECTION
COMPLETE WITH ALL STAMPS AND POSTAL STATIONERY
SENT TO THE UPU OVERPRINTED OR HANDSTAMPED SPECIMEN:
LARGE HERMES SET (THE 2 LEPTA IN A PAIR) | SMALL HERMES HIGH VALUES IMPERF
POSTAGE DUES COMPLETE
1883 POST CARDS AND REPLY CARDS | 1900 POST CARDS AND REPLY CARDS
MOUNTED ON 7 PAGES

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Small Hermes head issues
1886 printed in Belgium
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1875–76 Postage Due stamps
SPECIMEN type [1]

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LEPTA in small letters



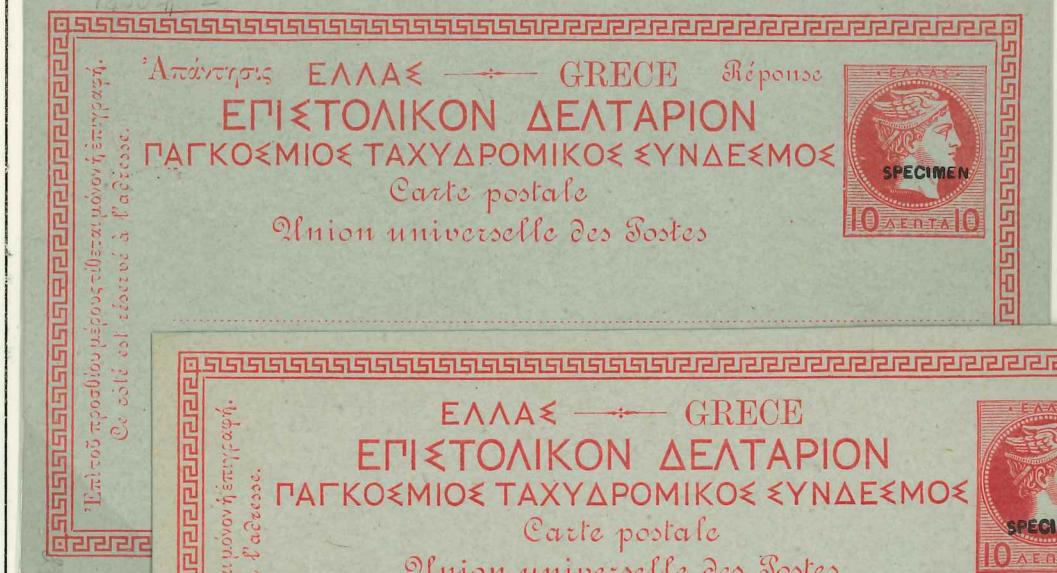
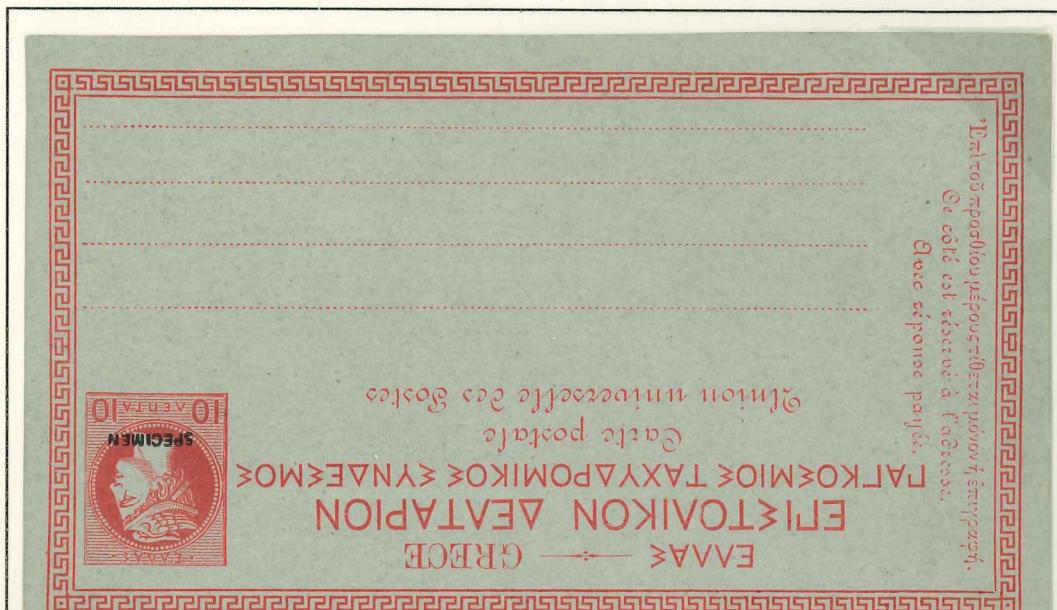
LEPTON/LEPTA in large letters



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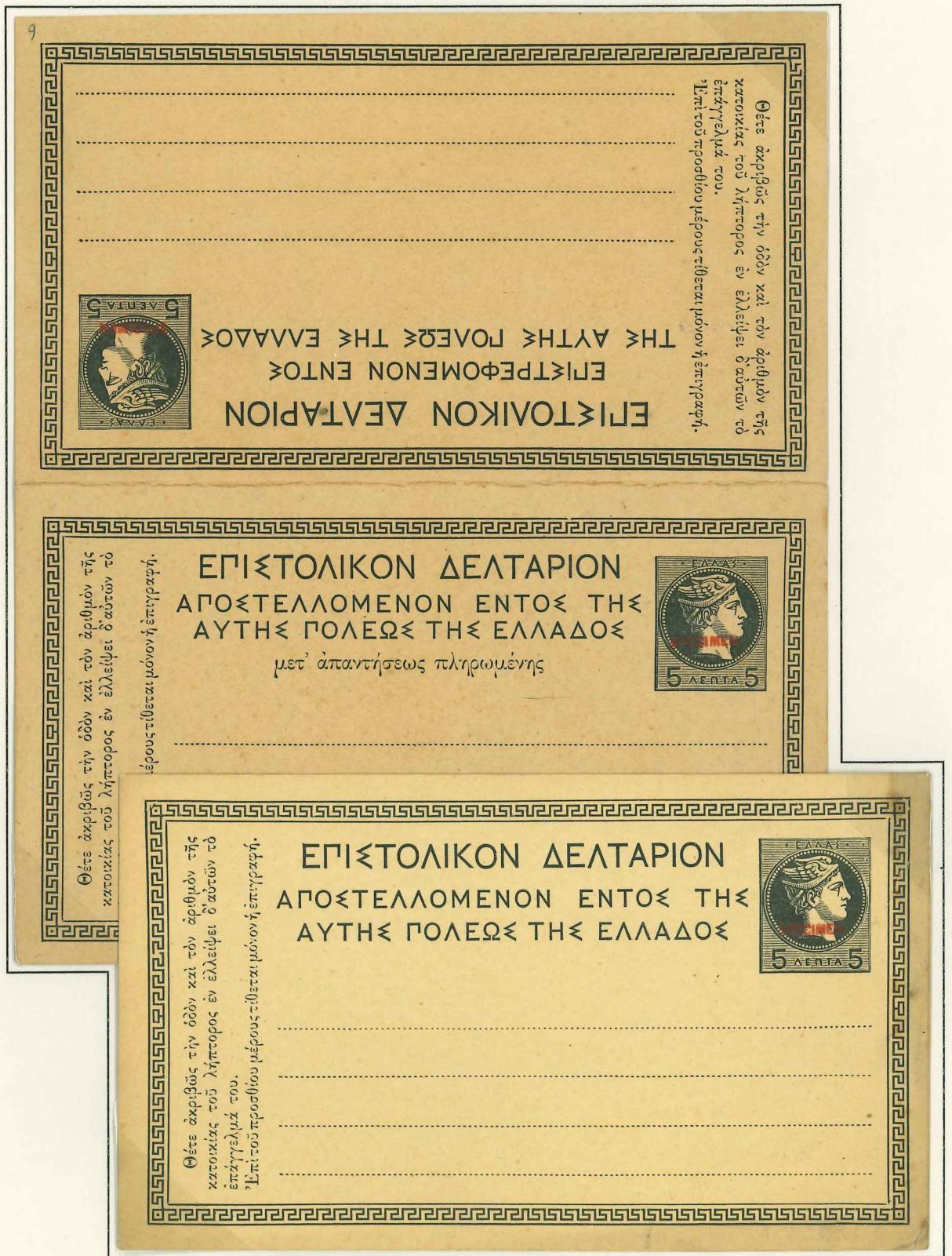
1883 10 lepta Post Card and Reply Card
for international use

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1883 5 lepta Post Card and Reply Card
for use within the same town

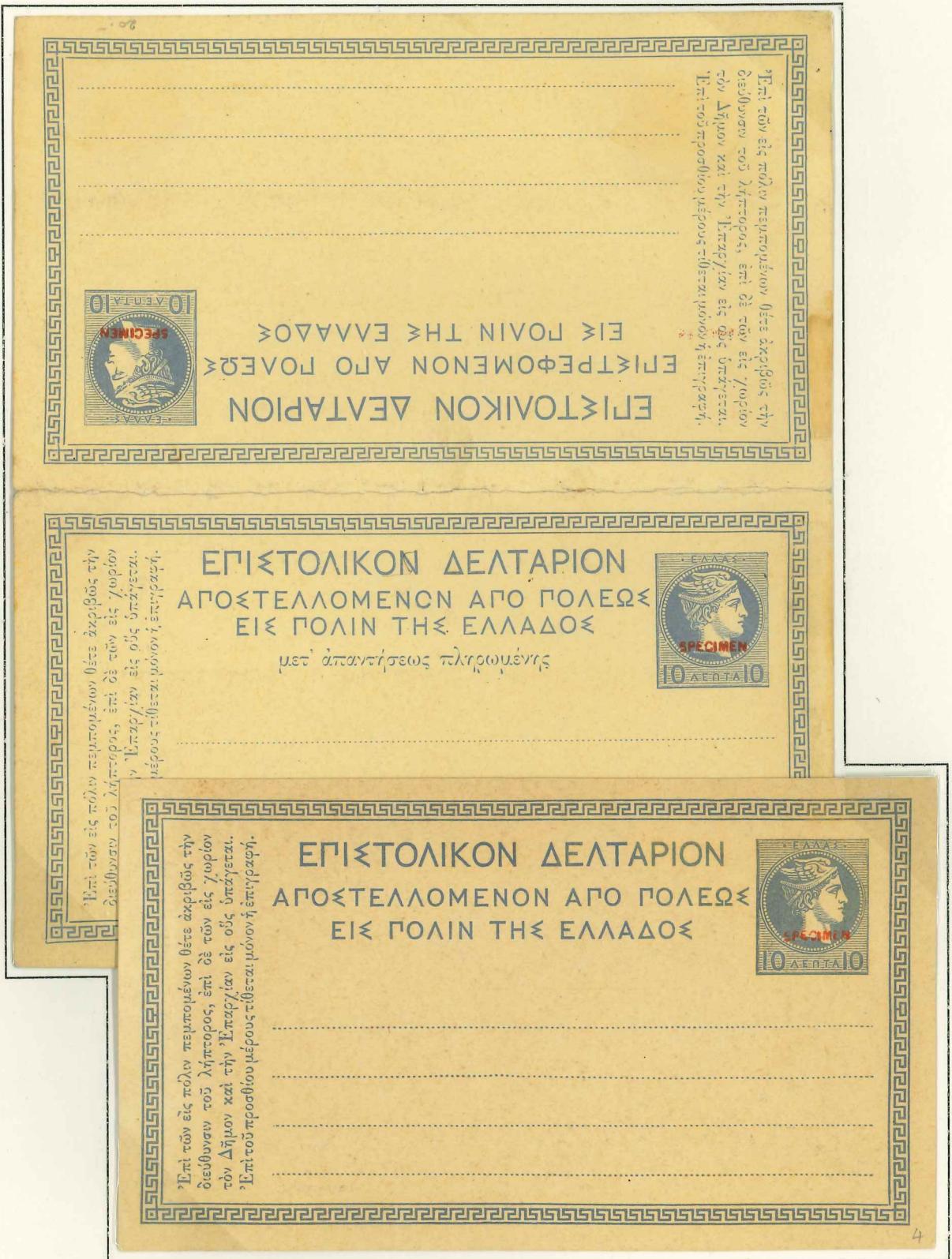
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1883 10 lepta Post Card and Reply Card
for use throughout Greece

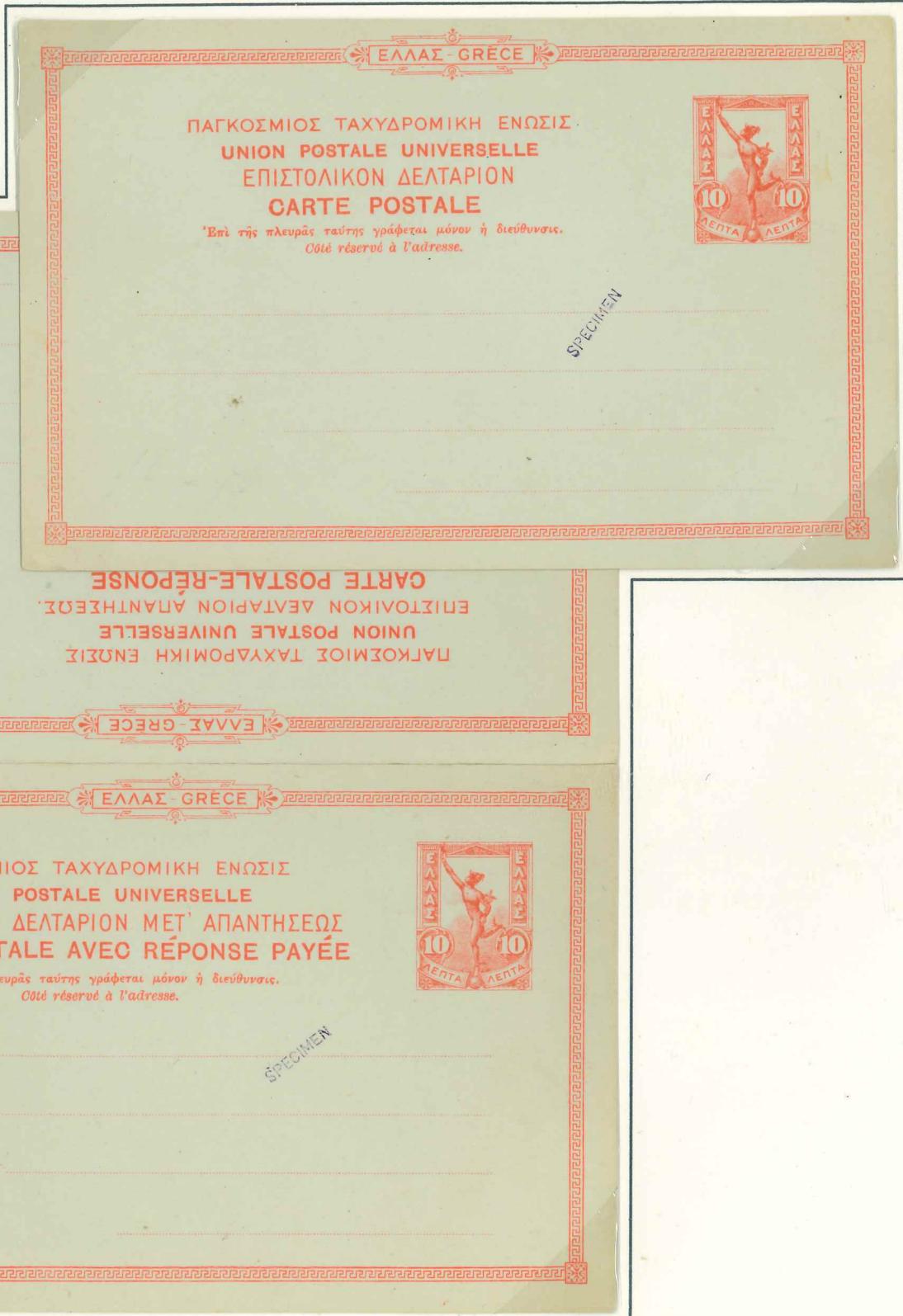
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1900 10 lepta Post Card and Reply Card
for international use
SPECIMEN type [1a]

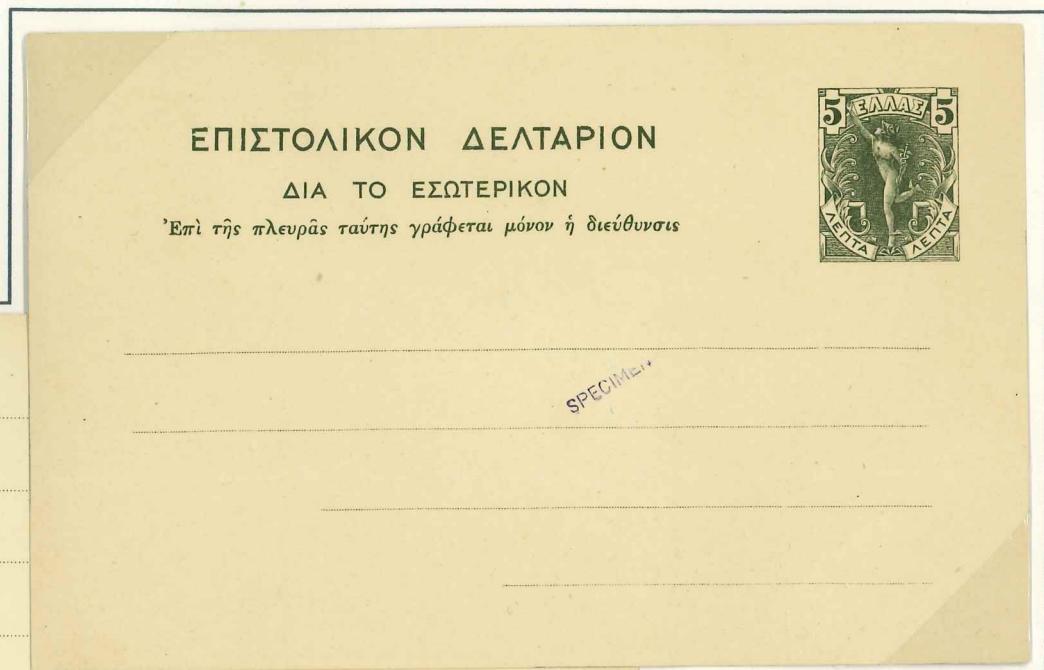
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1900 5 lepta Post Card and Reply Card
for internal use
SPECIMEN type [1a]

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ΔΙΑ ΤΟ ΕΣΩΤΕΡΙΚΟΝ
ΜΕΤΑ ΑΠΑΝΤΗΣΕΩΣ
ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΙΚΟΝ ΔΕΛΤΑΡΙΟΝ

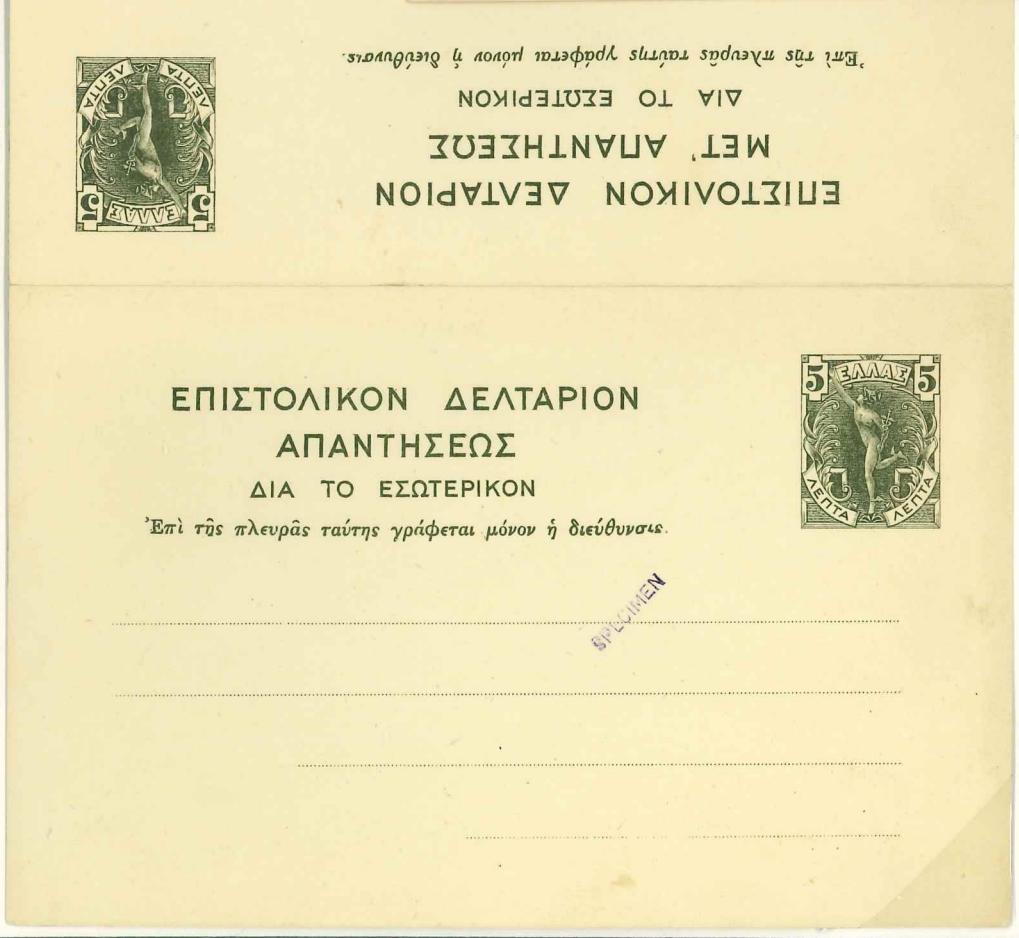
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Ἐπὶ τῆς πλευρᾶς ταύτης γράφεται μόνον ἡ διεύθυνσις.



SPECIMEN



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On 29 October 1923, specimens of the stamps overprinted to commemorate the 1922 Revolution were distributed handstamped *Specimen* type [2] in violet. The covering circular No. 7446/366 lists the 58 stamps in great detail on 3 pages. The circular states that 'the stock provided does not suffice to send you a larger number of stamps'. There is a blank space in which the number sent to each member of the UPU was apparently inserted in manuscript. The scarcity of these specimens suggests that most members of the UPU only received one or two sets (which may not have been complete).

BUREAU INTERNATIONAL DE L'UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE Adresse télégraphique UPU Berne N° 7446/366 Objet CONVENTION PRINCIPALE Répartition de timbres-poste grecs. *	Berne, le 29 octobre 1923.
(Dernière répartition: circulaire du 10 octobre 1923, n° 6843/337). * * *	MONSIEUR,
	*
J'ai l'honneur de vous transmettre sous ce pli, de la part de l'Office de GRECE spé- cimens de chacune des 58 valeurs postales helléniques émises à l'occasion de la révolution de 1922 et décrites dans le bordereau ci-après reproduit.	
Le stock mis à ma disposition par ledit Office ne me permet pas de vous adresser un plus grand nombre des valeurs dont il s'agit.	
Bordereau =====	
(Etabli par l'Office hellénique)	
Détail	Valeur (Lepta)
1. Timbre-poste commémoratif de 3 lepta de la guerre de 1912.....	5
2. Timbre-poste de 1 lepton de Crète, surchargé "Grèce" (lettres rouges).....	5
3. Timbre-poste de 5 lepta de Crète, surchargé "Grèce" (lettres rouges).....	5
4. Timbre-poste de 10 lepta du Gouvernement provisoire de Salonique.....	5
5. Chiffre-taxe de 5 lepta de Crète.....	5
6. Chiffre-taxe de 5 lepta de Crète, surchargé "Grèce" (grandes lettres).....	5
7. Chiffre-taxe de 5 lepta de Crète, surchargé "Grèce" (petites lettres).....	5
8. Chiffre-taxe de 10 lepta de Crète.....	5
9. Chiffre-taxe de 10 lepta de Crète, surchargé "Grèce" (grandes lettres).....	5
10. Chiffre-taxe de 10 lepta de Crète, surchargé "Grèce" (petites lettres).....	5
11. Chiffre-taxe de 20 lepta de Crète, surchargé "Grèce" (grandes lettres).....	10
12. Chiffre-taxe de 20 lepta de Crète, surchargé "Grèce"	