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After a thorough and careful study of the item submitted to me for authentication as EGYPT, 1872, (1st January), 10 para mauve, with upright ☺ watermark, an

UNUSED BLOCK OF FOUR, COMPLETELY IMPERFORATE,

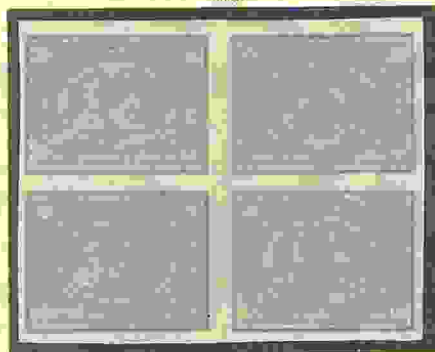
hinged on full, original gum — Nile Post #D15 var., Ballan #24 var., Stanley Gibbons #29 var., Zehert #15 var., Scott #20 var. — of which an exact-size, color photograph is affixed to this document. I hereby certify it to be

GENUINE IN ALL RESPECTS

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13th June, 2005

*All examples of the 10 para mauve adhesive of 1872 were produced in sheets of 200 subjects (in what is thought to be only two printings) by the Egyptian Government Printing Works at Boulac, Cairo, from a single typographic forme composed of 200 individual stereotypes. Normal, perforated examples of the stamp are found with two different perforation gauges — either 12½ horizontally x 13⅓ vertically, or 13⅓ on all sides. This submitted item of is **the only recorded completely imperforate block of this stamp**. It is fully sound and brilliantly fresh, with ample to broad margins at its*



four outer edges. Although it has hinge remnants, its full, original gum is still present. To my knowledge, this block has never been authenticated previously by any individual expert or expert committee. I have applied my C. F. Hass authentication mark to the reverse of its southeast stamp. C.F.H.

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