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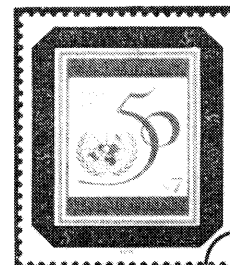
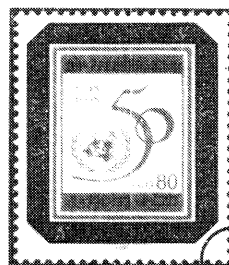
To: Members of delegations and staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Conference and Support Services

Subject: FIRST DAY OF ISSUE: "FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED NATIONS" STAMPS AND MAXIMUM CARD

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS

1. The first set of three United Nations stamps for 1995 will be issued on 1 January on the theme "Fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations". The stamps, shown below, were designed by Rocco Callari, a United Nations staff member. The three designs depict the official emblem of the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations, which is based on a design concept by Joan Rainford, a staff member of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).



Denomination:	32 cents	F.s. 0,80	S 7
Quantity:	700,000	925,000	1,000,000

(United States equivalents - F.s. 0,80: 67 cents and S 7: 70 cents, subject to exchange-rate fluctuation.)

2. The stamps were printed by the Swiss Postal Service and measure 28 mm horizontally x 33 mm vertically, perforation to perforation. Perforation: 14. The horizontal sheets each contain 50 stamps.

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MAXIMUM CARD

3. The United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) will also issue its ninth set of maximum cards on 1 January 1995. The maximum card will be available with either the 32¢, F.s. 0,80 or S 7 stamps affixed and appropriately cancelled on the first day of issue. The maximum card cancelled United Nations New York will sell for 62¢. The cancelled United Nations Geneva card is priced at 91¢, while the cancelled United Nations Vienna card is priced at 94¢, subject to exchange-rate fluctuations.

4. Since 1 January is an official holiday, United Nations premises will be closed. However, the New York first day hand-cancellation will be available on a hand-back basis for the month of January at the UNPA offices located in the DC2 Building, 6th floor, from 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

5. The UNPA sales counter will reopen on Tuesday, 3 January, where the new stamps, maximum card and prepared and cancelled New York, Geneva and Vienna first day covers on the UNPA official first day cachet ONLY may be purchased.

6. Staff members are encouraged to use United Nations stamps on their personal mail. By doing so, these miniature messengers of peace can educate thousands of people world wide on the activities and goals of the United Nations.