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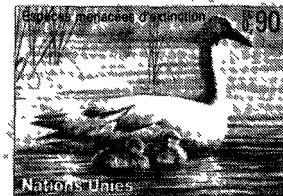
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Subject: First Day of Issue

ENDANGERED SPECIES 2000

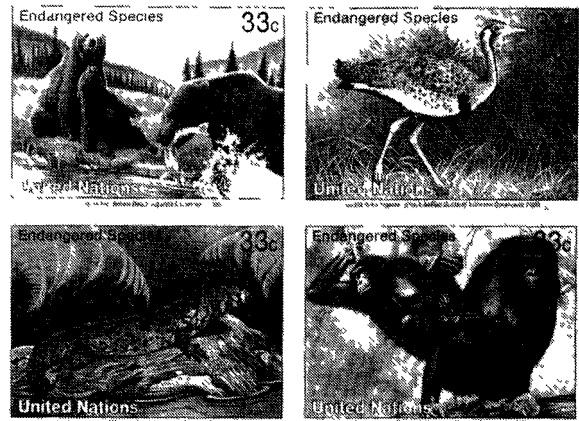
1. On 6 April 2000, the United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) will issue a set of 12 stamps depicting endangered species of fauna. These will be the eighth set of stamps in UNPA's multi-year series on Endangered Species, which was launched on 3 March 1993 to highlight the need for the protection of endangered species throughout the world.
2. UNPA will issue three sheets of 16 stamps, one sheet in each of the three currencies. Four different endangered species will be illustrated on each sheet; hence, 12 species will be covered. The stamps will be available in selling units of a full sheet of 16 stamps or a single unit of a se-tenant block of four stamps.
3. The CHF 0.90 stamps were designed by Robert Hynes (U.S.A.) and depict the following endangered species :

Hippopotamus
Coscoroba Swan
Emerald Monitor/Goanna
Sea Otter

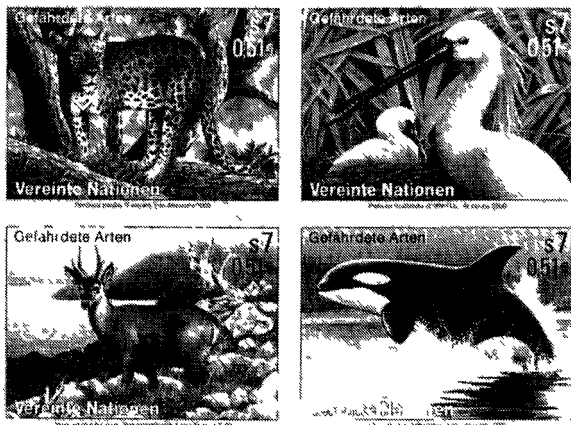


The four 33-cent stamps were designed by Suzanne Duranceau (Canada) and depict the following endangered species :

- Brown Bear
- Black-bellied Bustard
- Chinese Crocodile Lizard
- Bonobo



The four AS 7/ 0.51 Euro stamps were designed by Lori Anzalone (U.S.A.) and depict the following endangered species :



- Leopard
- White or European Spoonbill
- Killer Whale
- Chilean Huemal

4. Staff members and mission personnel wishing to procure these stamps and first day covers can obtain them from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. on 6 April 2000, at the UNPA sales counter at door 6 of the Palais des Nations.

5. 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 to the activities and goals of the United Nations.

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