CHAPTER THIRTY-TWO

SPECIAL ISSUES 1970-1974.

February 1970. Express Mail Etiquette.





A new version of the express mail etiquette was authorised for printing. Printed in black on pink (shown at left above), it was inscribed in five lines "(Pos-R. & P.39-Pin.2/70) / BUREAU DE POSTE / REMISE PAR EXPRESS / BUREAU DE POSTE / SERAHAN SEGARA". "Pin" is short for "Pindaan" (*trans*. "Amendment"). The fourth line was in French in error and should have been in Malay. In addition, the word "EXPRESS" was in its English spelling in error (although the second S looks like an afterthought). This is known used into the 1980s. It was rouletted 19.5 in blue.

These errors must have been noticed, as a reprint in red (shown at right above) bearing the same revision date and used in 1989, had the fourth line corrected to read "PEJABAT POS", while the third line in now in French as "EXPRÈS". According to some authorities, this too was in error as the French language normally omits accents from upper case fonts. It was rouletted 4.7.

6 April 1970. Intelsat III Satellite Link.







This issue marked the commissioning of the up-link from the \$9 million Kuantan, Pahang, satellite earth station to the Intelsat III F-6 telephonic and television communications satellite. F-6 (built by TRW and launched by Delta rocket 75 on 14 January 1970) was one of eight Intelsat III satellites, two of which were launch failures. All are now out of service. It orbited at 22,300 miles above the Earth, in geostationary orbit above the Indian Ocean, and was operated by the global International Telecommunications Satellite Consortium (now Intelsat Ltd.). Malaysia was one of 71 member countries of the Consortium. The earth station, built by Mitsubishi Shoji Kaisha Ltd. of Japan, had a 97-foot diameter 1MW antenna.

By an uncredited designer, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

This issue had a number of unusual features. The 15c. stamp was trapezoidal (45mm x 15-31mm), suggesting the beam of transmission emerging from the earth station's satellite tracking and communication dish. The stamps were printed tête-bêche in columns in the sheet, the stamps with the same orientation being placed in lines across the sheet. The 30c. (43mm x 30mm) showed the satellite in orbit around the Earth. Part of the printing had the inscriptions picked out in gold ("type A"), while the remainder had it omitted leaving a white text ("type B"). Black and white photographic essays of the two designs were approved on 27 November 1969. The colour essays for all three stamps, including both versions of the 30c., were approved by A. Oliver, the Crown Agents Inspector of Stamps on 22 December 1969. The reason for the two versions is not known. Both were available on the day of issue.

This issue was printed in sheets of $100 (10 \times 10)$ by Enschedé using photogravure. All panes were numbered 1, three colours being used for the 15c. (blue, olive and black), five for the 30c (yellow, magenta, cyan, black plus gold where appropriate). Sheet markings include, to the left of R1-3 on the 15c and, to the right of R1-3 on the 30c., alternating solid octagons and lined wheels in each colour, with plate numbers 1 (x3) below R10/2. The fluorescent white paper has been listed in catalogues as having watermark Multiple PTM, but no example examined had any evidence of such a watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.2×13.4 on the 15c. stamp and 14.0×13.4 on the 30c. The 15c. had left and bottom margins imperforate, while the top margin was perforated through. The 30c. had left, top and bottom margins perforated through and imperforate right margin.

Varieties:

Reported varieties included:

Value	No.	Position.	Variety.
15c.	v1	?	Blue spot over "a".

Value	No.	Position.	Variety.
·	v2	?	Hair flaw.
	v3	?	Flaw on top of cloud.
30c.	v1	All	Gold misplaced to the left.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10s., featured the station dish.

KHP first day postmarks were used. A special KHP postmark was used at the station.

Presentation covers exist postmarked at the station and inscribed at the back with a Malay inscription conveying the compliments of the Minister of State for Posts and Telecommunications.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 30 October 1970 and invalidated with effect from 1 March 1977.

Remaindered first day covers were handstamped "URUSAN POS" and used for internal correspondence in 1973. ¹

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
70.1.1	61	60	15c.		
70.1.1a	61a	-	- Tête-bêche pair.		
70.1.2	63	62	30c.(A).		
70.1.3	62	61	30c.(B).		
70.1.4	-	MFDC-37	First day cover (1-3).		
70.1.4a	-	-	- (1a, 2, 3).	-	
70.1.4b	-	-	- Kuantan special postmark.	-	
70.1.5	-	-	- Handstamped for official correspondence.	-	

30 May 1970.

Sarawak - 1st Sarawak Philatelic Society Exhibition.

The Sarawak Philatelic Society held its first Postage Stamp Exhibition from 30 May to 1 June 1970 at the Foochow Association in Sibu. Private covers with green illustration and blue text or blue illustration and black text received a circular cachet on the back and Sibu circular date stamp.

29 July - 4 August 1970.

2nd Malaysian Boy Scout Jamboree.

This event was not marked by a stamp issue, but a special cachet was struck in black on a plain cover or on a (privately produced?) cover showing in red a scene of camp life. The cachet was inscribed "JAMBORI MALAYSIA KEDUA / (emblem) / 29-7-70 - 4-8-70 / MELAKA" and the covers bear various definitive stamps tied by circular date stamp "MELAKA / 29JUL70-7-0PTG / M" or "MELAKA / 30JUL70-2-0PTG / M". Other dates probably exist.

7 September 1970.

International Labour Organisation.





Issued to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the Geneva-based International Labour Organisation (ILO), which was established in 1920 to provide the social dimension to the activities of the League of Nations, itself established under the Treaty of Versailles in 1919 to establish a "universal and lasting peace" which could only exist if "based on social justice". The ILO is responsible for the study of labour problems and the development and adoption of international standards of worker protection. After the League handed over to the United Nations in 1945, the ILO became the first U.N. "specialised agency" in 1946. It was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1970 in recognition of its activities over 50 years. By 2009, there were 182 member countries (Malaya joined in 1957).

By an uncredited designer, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The two 25mm x 35mm stamps showed the emblem of the ILO.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using two-colour off-set lithography (new blue emblem, plus grey (30c.) or pink (75c.) background). The panes of both values were numbered 1A (x2) below columns 7-8. The printer's imprint "HARRISON AND SONS LTD LONDON" appeared in the centre of the bottom margin below columns 4-7. The chalk-surfaced, low-fluorescence, white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb

perforations measured 14.6 x 13.8. The left margin of both sheets were imperforate and top and bottom margins had a single extension hole. The right margin was perforated through.

Variety:

A few stamps in the bottom two rows have been reported with light blue shadows to the emblem, including the letters ILO. ²

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed the ILO headquarters building in Geneva. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 30 June 1971 and invalidated on 1 March 1977.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
70.2.1	72	71	30c.		
70.2.2	73	72	75c.		
70.2.3	-	MFDC-39	First day cover (1-2).		

24 October 1970.









This issue marked the twenty-fifth anniversary of the coming into force on 24 October 1945 of the Treaty creating the post-war role of United Nations Organisation (U.N.) (formed to fight the later stages of World War Two), to take over, in the new circumstances following the war, the role of the ill-fated League of Nations. The U.N. Charter gave it four objectives:

- To maintain international peace and security.
- To develop friendly relations among nations.
- To achieve co-operation in solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural or humanitarian character.
- To act as a focus for harmonising the activities of nations in achieving these ends.

In addition, it co-ordinates the activities of regional Economic Commissions (including ECAFE, now known as ESCAP) and a number of semi-autonomous "specialised agencies", including the Universal Postal Union (UPU), the International Labour Organisation (ILO), World Health Organisation (WHO), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), International Telecommunications Union (ITU), United Nations Economic, Social and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), Food & Agriculture Organisation (FAO), etc.

Designed by Ng Peng Nam, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 35mm x 25mm stamps showed the U.N. emblem and twenty-five doves of peace in different combinations. On the 25c., the doves were orbiting the emblem, on the 30c., they formed a straight line and on the 50c., they were looping the emblem.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by De La Rue by "Delacryl" off-set lithography. Two values were printed with three colours (gold, black, brown for 25c. and blue, yellow, black for 30c.) and the pane was numbered 1A (x3) (25c.) or 1A and 1B (30c.). The 50c was printed in two colours (black and pale yellow-olive) from the 1B (x2) pane. 25c. 1B and 50c. 1A were not recorded but probably existed. The printer's imprint appeared in the right-hand corner of the bottom margin. The low-fluorescence white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 13.3 x 12.8.

Proofs:

The 30c. proof is known on a De La Rue presentation card. The other values probably existed.

Colour trials have entered the public domain, including the 25c. in orange, green brown and violet-blue, 30c. in issued colour and 50c. in magenta, red, cyan and green.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed the U.N. Building at New York and UN emblem. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 6 December 1971, after 91,074 25c., 91,944 30c. and 84,106 50c. stamps had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
70.3.1	74	73	25c.		
70.3.2	75	74	30c.		
70.3.3	76	75	50c.		
70.3.4	-	MFDC-40	First day cover (1-3).		

1-7 December 1970.

Penang - Pesta'70 Festival of Penang Stamp Exhibition.

The newly-reformed Penang Philatelic Society organised the Pesta'70 Festival of Penang philatelic exhibition on behalf of the Penang Museum and Art Gallery. A private souvenir cover was issued which, if posted at the event, received a circular date stamp "P. PINANG / (date) / K6", a special circular date stamp "PAMERAN SETEM PESTA PULAU PINANG 1970 / 3DIS70" and a special backstamp "POSTED AT PESTA '70 STAMP EXHIBITION" around the B147 spider's web postmark.

14-27 December 1970.

1st Malaysian Stamp Exhibition.

The Selangor Stamp Club was renamed the Philatelic Society of Malaysia (PSM) in 1970 and held its first national exhibition at the Muzium Negara in Kuala Lumpur from 14 December 1970, with the theme of Tigers. PSM issued a private souvenir cover showing tiger stamps of 1891, 1895 and 1901, which received a dual ring cachet showing a leaping tiger (sometimes applied as stamp cancellation) and a circular date stamp "KUALA LUMPUR / date / F". The exhibition was opened by Tun Hussein Onn, the Prime Minister, who signed at least one opening day cover. Last day covers (and probably intermediate ones) also exist.

16 December 1970.

Trengganu - Silver Jubilee of Sultan.







Sultan Tuanku Ismail Nasiruddin Shah celebrated the silver jubilee of his accession to head of state of Trengganu on 16 December 1970.

Designed by Nik Zainal Abidin, the issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 25mm x 35mm stamps (10c., 15c., 50c.) share a common design of a three-quarters portrait of the Sultan in a "Trengganu silver" frame.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using four-colour photogravure. Printing colours were: 10c. dark grey, silver, black and blue; 15c.: dark grey, silver, black and yellow; 50c. gold, silver, black and purple. Sheet markings included the plate numbers 1A (x4) below R10/8-9. Colour registration crosses formed a composite 37mm long by 5mm high below columns 9 and 10. The background colour bled into the margins. The white fluorescent paper had no watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.6 x 13.7. The top and bottom margins had a single extension hole and the right was perforated through, the left being imperforate.

Proof

The 50c. proof is known affixed to a Harrison & Sons card. ³ The other values will have existed but were not recorded.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., featured the Trengganu flag and Istana Maziah, Kuala Trengganu. KHP first day postmarks were used. The "normal" Bureau postmark for this issue was Kuala Trengganu.

Withdrawal

The issue was withdrawn on 15 March 1971, after 449,576 10c., 669,226 15c. and 129,226 50c. stamps had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
70.4.1	107	113	10c.		
70.4.2	108	114	15c.		
70.4.3	109	115	50c.		
70.4.4	_	MFDC-TU12	First day cover (1-3).		

20 February 1971.

Installation of the Fifth King.







The fifth Yang di-Pertuan Agung was Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'Adzam Shah, Sultan of Kedah, who was installed on the date of issue.

Designed by Union Art Corporation, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

These three 25mm x 35mm stamps (10c., 15c., 50c.) of a common design showed a full-face portrait of the Sultan wearing the ceremonial head dress.

They were printed in sheets of $100 (10 \times 10)$ by Harrison & Sons using three-colour photogravure (black and gold, plus lemon (10c.), bright mauve (15c.) or new blue (50c.). There were two panes, 1A (all confirmed) and 1B (15c. and 50c. confirmed). The printer's imprint appeared in the centre of the bottom margin. The white fluorescent paper did not contain any watermark. Used examples of the 15c were recorded printed on glazed paper in error, but these have not been seen by the author and the glazed effect may be the result of normal production variation. ⁴ The comb perforations measured 14.5×14.3 .

Varieties.

Varieties recorded included:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
		?	A constant flaw appeared on the black plate used for all three values, in the form of two white dots to the right (relative to stamp) of the crescent in the Sultan's head dress.
	v2	?	Gold omitted. ⁵
	v3	?	Gold misplaced. ⁶
	v4 R9/1- Gold partially omitted, due to foreign many had gold omitted apart from part of the R9/3 whole of bottom inscription omitted R10/1 value omitted, R10/2 all except "many had gold omitted, due to foreign many had gold omitted apart from part of the R10/4 when		Gold partially omitted, due to foreign matter intrusion, from a block of 15 in which R9/1 had gold omitted apart from part of the value, R9/2 most of bottom inscription omitted, R9/3 whole of bottom inscription omitted, R9/4 left part of bottom inscription omitted, R10/1 value omitted, R10/2 all except "malay" omitted, R10/3 gold omitted, R10/4 similar to R9/1 but less remained. ⁷
15c.	v1	?	A constant flaw appeared on the black plate used for all three values, in the form of two white dots to the right (relative to stamp) of the crescent in the Sultan's head dress.
	v2	?	Gold misplaced 5mm to the right (or 20mm to the left!) so that the perforation passes through the 5 of 15c.
50c.	v1	?	A constant flaw appeared on the black plate used for all three values, in the form of two white dots to the right (relative to stamp) of the crescent in the Sultan's head dress.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., featured the head of the Malaysian ceremonial mace. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 22 April 1972, after 5,478,320 10c., 11,978,320 15c. and 848,120 50c. stamps had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
71.1.1	77	76	10c.		
71.1.2	78	77	15c.		
71.1.3	79	78	50c.		
71.1.4	-	MFDC-41	First day cover (1-3).		

28 March 1971.







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Tuanku Syed Putra achieved his Silver Jubilee as Raja (head of state) on 4 December 1970, but these stamps appeared nearly four months later.

Designed by Citizen Studio & Engravers, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 25mm x 33mm stamps to a common design showed a full-face portrait of the Raja over a coloured band (10c.: yellow; 15c.: blue; 50c.: purple) which bled 4.5mm into the side margins.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Enschedé using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The white low fluorescence paper had no watermark. The comb perforations measured 13.8 x 13.4. At least the right and bottom margins were perforated through.

Varieties:

Varieties reported were:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
10c.	v1	R3/2	Coloured dent into left-hand side (relative to stamp) shoulder of Raja.
	v2	R10/5	White ring flaw on the neck of the Raja beside his left ear.
15c.	v1	R3/2	Coloured dent into left-hand side (relative to stamp) shoulder of Raja.
	v2	R8/10	Broken "i" in "Malaysia". 8
50c.	v1	R3/2	Coloured dent into left-hand side (relative to stamp) shoulder of Raja.

First day facilities:

The first day cover featured the Royal Standard of the Sultan and was put on sale at 10c. on 15 March 1971. KHP first day postmarks were used. The "normal" Bureau postmark was Kangar.

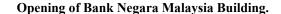
Withdrawal:

These stamps were available nationwide on the date of issue only. After that, they were available only in Perlis and from philatelic bureaux. The issue was withdrawn on 27 June 1971 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
71.2.1	56	55	10c.		
71.2.2	57	56	15c.		
71.2.3	58	57	50c.		
71.2.4	-	MFDC-PS7	First day cover (1-3).		

15 May 1971.







Stamps were issued to mark the opening of the new BNM ⁹ headquarters building in Kuala Lumpur, which allowed rented offices to be dispensed with. The two-acre development designed by Nik Mohamed bin Nik Mahmood, Acting Senior Architect of the Public Works Department, replaced a small hill occupied by Department of Information Services offices.

Designed by Malayan Advertising Services, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

Perforated both 35mm square and in the round, these stamps shared a common circular design similar to, but not identical to, that used on contemporary coinage, showing the Bank Negara Building enclosed in the (Malaysian) star and crescent of Islam. (Equivalent coins were not issued). The 25c. was printed with a silver background and the 50c. with a gold background.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using two-colour photogravure (black, plus silver (25c.) or gold (50c.). Both were marked with pane number 1A (x2). The gold stamp was overprinted with a clear "varnish" to give it a gloss finish. The printer's imprint appeared in the centre of the bottom margin. The white fluorescent paper did not contain any watermark. The sheet was divided into squares by a comb perforation which measured 13.8 and the circular design was also perforated around in a similar gauge. The top margins of the sheet were imperforate, with single extension holes in the left and right margin indicating that the sheet was perforated in horizontal rows starting at the top of the sheet. Although the two sets of perforations were not linked (unlike certain other similar designs in other countries, used examples are nevertheless frequently found torn into the circular form.

Varieties:

Varieties reported include:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
50c.	v1	All	Colourless printing on top of gold shifted 11mm left leaving part of gold looking dull. 10

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., featured the Bank emblem. KHP first day postmarks were used. There was a special one purporting to be for mail posted at the Bank Negara Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur. However, this was reported as having been applied to all covers processed at the GPO in Kuala Lumpur. ¹¹ It was usually applied as a cachet with the normal Kuala Lumpur philatelic bureau KHP postmark on the stamps, but is known used to cancel stamps alongside the normal mark, particularly if more than one strike was necessary to cancel the stamps.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 15 July 1972, after 921,908 25c., 1,171,758 50c. stamps had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
71.3.1	80	79	25c.		
71.3.2	81	80	50c.		
71.3.3	-	MFDC-42	First day cover (1-2).		
71.3.3a	-	-	- with Bank Negara Malaysia postmark.	-	

3 September 1971.

Opening of Salak Seletan Post-Office.

An unstamped commemorative cover ¹² was issued for the opening of Pejabat Pos Salak Seletan, Selangor by the Honourable Tun V. T. Sambanthan, Minister of Works Posts and Telecommunications. Salak Seletan (Salak South) is a suburb of Kuala Lumpur. The cover showed a photograph of the new building. There was no special postmark.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
71.4.1	-	MFDC-43	Souvenir cover.		

13 September 1971.

17th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference.





The seventeenth Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Conference was held at Parliament House, Kuala Lumpur from 3 to 18 September 1971. The CPA Conference was previously hosted by Malaysia in 1963 (see Chapter 17).

Designed by the Union Art Corporation, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The two stamps were very different but both showed the Parliament buildings in Kuala Lumpur. The 25c. was a 60mm x 35mm diamond shape, showing an aerial view, whilst the 77mm x 27mm 75c. stamp showed a ground level view

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) in the case of the 25c. and 50 (5 x 10) in the case of the 75c., by Harrison & Sons using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Stamps are only known from pane 1A (x4) in both cases, the marking being in the bottom margin. The colour dabs appeared in the right margin to the right of R9/10 (75c. R9/5). Other sheet markings are not recorded. The fluorescent white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 13.8 (25c.) or 12.7 x 13.0 (75c.).

Varieties:

Varieties reported included:

Value	No.	Position	Description	
75c.	v1	R8/1	Broken "y" in "malaysia".	
	v2	R9/1	Broken second "a" in "malaysia".	

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed the CPA shield.

KHP first day postmarks were used. Kuala Lumpur also applied a special KHP postmark "PERSIDANGAN PARLIMEN KE-17 KOMANWEL / KUALA LUMPUR" at Parliament House, GPO Kuala Lumpur and the Philatelic Bureau.

Maximum cards were produced privately using commercial postcards and are not official items.

Withdrawal

The issue was withdrawn on 30 September 1972, after 1,050,239 25c. and 850,239 75c. stamps had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
71.5.1.	82	81	25c.		
71.5.2	83	82	75c.		
71.5.3	-	MFDC-43	First day cover (1-2).		
71.5.3a	-	-	- Parliament special handstamp.		

18 September 1971.

Visit ASEAN Year 1971.



At the meeting of the ASEAN Permanent Committee on Tourism at Jakarta in February 1969, 1971 was declared to be "Visit ASEAN Year" to try to encourage tourism both between ASEAN countries and from outside the region as the opening of ASEAN Travel Decade 1971-1981. Japan, Australasia, Europe and North America were the main targets for this promotion. This issue was originally intended for release in August, but was delayed to the following month.

Designed by Malaysian Advertising Services, this issue comprised a single counter sheet.

Counter sheets:

The composite design covers three se-tenant 22mm x 35mm 30c. stamps forming a landscape format triplet, and was said to portray a carnival. It actually showed a variety of buildings and Chinese, European, Indian and Malay cultural performers and objects, including *inter-alia*:

- 30c.(A): Ubudiah Mosque ¹³, temple, oxen, lion dance;
- 30c.(B): National Mosque, dragon dance, cathedral and Bishop, Deepavali candles;
- 30c.(C): Deepavali candles, marchers with Malaysian flags, fish, hobby horses.

The composite design did not touch the edges of the triplet, so the position of each stamp in the triplet can be identified at a glance.

They were printed in sheets of 90 (3 triplets x 10) by Harrison & Sons using four-colour off-set lithography (yellow, cyan, magenta, black) from a two-pane plate. The panes were numbered 1A (x4) or 1B (x4) below R10/8-9. On the 1B pane, a guide cross was to be found 15mm to the right of the bottom row of perforations. The fluorescent white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.6. On both panes, the left- and right-hand margins

were imperforate with a single extension hole. The bottom margin was perforated through. The top margin is assumed to have been be imperforate.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10s., featured male and female Malay traditional dancers. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 16 January 1973, after 570,859 triplets had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
71.6.1	84	83	30c.(A).		
71.6.2	85	84	30c.(B).		
71.6.3	86	85	30c.(C).		
71.6.4	84a	MC-44	Se-tenant strip (1-3).		
71.6.5	-	MFDC-44	First day cover (4).		

2 October 1971. UNICEF.





This issue marks the twenty-fifth anniversary on 11 December 1971 of the United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF). UNICEF was set up as the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund by Resolution 57 of the General Assembly in 1946 to cater for the child refugees from World War II. In 1950, its efforts were redirected to long term projects and in 1953, the word "Emergency" was dropped from its title. Malaysia received a considerable amount of assistance from UNICEF.

Designed by unidentified local children during a Children's International Art Class held at the Muzium Negara in Kuala Lumpur with graphics by the Union Art Corporation, this issue comprises a single counter sheet with se-tenant stamps.

Counter sheets:

The five stamps were issued in se-tenant strips across the sheet. The designs showed:

15c.(A): Trees, elephant & tiger.

15c.(B): Cat & kittens.

15c.(C): Sun, flower & bird.

15c.(D): Monkey, elephant & lion in jungle.

15c.(E): Spider & butterflies.

The centre stamp was smaller (25mm x 32mm) than the others (38mm x 32mm).

They were printed in sheets of 100 (2 strips of 5 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using five-colour off-set lithography (yellow, magenta, cyan, pale yellow, black). The plates were numbered 1A (x5) below R10/9. The cream frame of the design bled about 3mm into the sheet margins. The white fluorescent paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 12.7. The bottom margin was perforated through. The left and right margins contain a single extension hole. The top margin is believed to have been imperforate.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed a child's painting of a king on a throne. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 15 March 1973, after 2,651,673 strips had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
71.7.1	87	86	15c.(A).		
71.7.2	88	87	15c.(B).		
71.7.3	89	88	15c.(C).		
71.7.4	90	89	15c.(D).		
71.7.5	91	90	15c.(E).		
71.7.6	87a	MC-45	Se-tenant strip (1-5).		
71.7.7	-	MFDC-45	First day cover (1-5).		

11 December 1971.

6th South East Asian Peninsular Games.







The sixth South East Asian Peninsular (SEAP) Games were held in Kuala Lumpur from 11 to 18 December 1971, being opened by the King. Since the previous Games in Kuala Lumpur, held in 1965 (see Chapter 17), the 1967 Games had been held in Thailand (after Kampuchea had declined) and the 1969 Games had been held in Rangoon.

Designed by the Union Art Corporation, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 32mm x 29mm stamps showed:

25c.: The sports of track and field (athletics, discus, hurdles, javelin, high jump);

30c.: Sepak raga; 50c.: Hockey.

They were printed in sheets of $100 (10 \times 10)$ by Bradbury, Wilkinson using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The low fluorescence white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.5 \times 14.4.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed the seven sports. KHP first day postmarks were used. Kuala Lumpur bureau additionally applied a special KHP postmark "SUKAN SEAP KE-6 / KUALA LUMPUR" with the Games emblem at each side. This mark has also been seen used on covers posted at the University, which may have been one of the venues.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 30 November 1973, after 1,170,771 stamps of each value had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
71.8.1	92	91	25c.		
71.8.2	93	92	30c.		
71.8.3	94	93	50c.		
71.8.4	-	MFDC-46	First day cover (1-3).		
71.8.4a	-	-	- Games postmark.		

31 January 1972.

Pacific Area Travel Association Conference.



The 21st annual Pacific Area Travel Association (PATA) Conference took place in Kuala Lumpur from 31 January to 4 February 1972, preceded by the annual PATA Workshop in Penang on 27-28 January. PATA, of which Malaysia is a member, was founded in Hawaii in 1951 and was then based in San Francisco as a non-profit-making government/industry body to promote travel to and in the Pacific Rim region. Mr. Mohammed Khir Johari of the Malaysian Ministry of Commerce & Industry, was President of PATA for the year 1971-1972.

Designed by Malaysian Advertising Services, this issue comprised a single counter sheet with se-tenant designs.

Counter sheets:

The composite design covers three 22mm x 40mm 30c. stamps to form a landscape-format triplet, depicting a map of Malaysia with tourist attractions as follows:

- 30c.(A) (Left): West Malaysia with Penang Hill Railway, Federation flag, Kuala Lumpur International Airport, Wayang Kulit (shadow play), Tari Lilin (candle dance), Porta de Santiago (Malacca), Leatherback turtle laying eggs (Trengganu), Fruit (including pineapples and durian), Indian dancer, Kuala Lumpur railway station (part).
- 30c.(B) (Centre): Western part of East Malaysia with Kuala Lumpur railway station (part), east coast fishing boats, Ubudiah Mosque (Kedah), Kelantan silversmith, Parliament Building (Kuala Lumpur), Dyak warrior, Hibiscus, girl, Malay dancers.
- 30c.(C) (Right): Eastern part of East Malaysia with Chinese opera mask, Rafflesia, Mount Kinabalu, Chinese bride and dancers, Bajau horseman, Borneo costume.

They were printed in sheets of 90 (3 strips x 10) by Harrison & Sons using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Two panes (1A, 1B) were used, the pane numbers appearing below R10/7-9. Boxed rectangular colour checks appear to the right of R9/10 on the 1A pane only. The low fluorescence white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.6. There was a single extension hole in the left and right margins. The bottom margin was perforated through on both panes.

Variety:

A variety reported was:

Value	No.	Position		Description	
В	v1	?	Yellow dot at Thirkell D2. 14		_

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10s., featured the conference emblem (PATA surmounted by the dome of the tower of the Sultan Abdul Samad Building). KHP first day postmarks were used, together with special KHP postmark "PERSIDANGAN PATA / KUALA LUMPUR" (which was applied at Kuala Lumpur offices together with the office's KHP mark, although one cover has been seen with two special marks and no office mark). Covers posted at the event received the special KHP mark in conjunction with a skeleton circular date stamp "PATA KUALA LUMPUR / 31 JA 72 / * / SEL".

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 15 December 1973, after 569,985 strips had been sold, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		N	Aint	Used
72.1.1	95	94	30c.(A).			
72.1.2	96	95	30c.(B).			
72.1.3	97	96	30c.(C).			
72.1.4	95a	MC-47	Se-tenant strip (1-3).			
72.1.5	-	MFDC-47	First day cover (4).			
72.1.5a	-	-	- Conference postmark.		-	

1 February 1972.

City of Kuala Lumpur.





On 1 February 1972, Kuala Lumpur was granted the status of "Bandaraya" (City) by the King, to reflect its increased status as capital of the Malaysian Federation, as well as of Selangor. Kuala Lumpur was founded in 1859 as a trading post for tin miners at the confluence of Sungei Klang and Sungei Gombak rivers. It became state capital of Selangor in 1880, but burnt to the ground in 1881. On 15 September 1886, Sultan Abdul Samad arrived on the first train to become

the first Sultan to set foot in Kuala Lumpur. A government office building, later known as the Secretariat Building and then the Sultan Abdul Samad Building, was built in 1897 at a cost of \$152,000. Kuala Lumpur legally became Federal Capital of the Federation of Malaya on 1 April 1961, but had been *de-facto* capital of British Malaya since the formation of the Federated Malay States in 1895. Since the building of Putrajaya, Kuala Lumpur has ceased to be the administrative centre, but retains capital city status.

Designed by Harrison & Sons staff from colour transparencies taken by a Department of Information photographer, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The two 58mm x 36mm designs showed the Sultan Abdul Samad Building from across the Padang by day (25c.) and under floodlighting at night (50c.).

They were printed in sheets of 50 (5 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using standard four-colour off-set lithography. The plates were numbered 1A (x4). Sheet markings were not recorded. The low fluorescence paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.9 x 14.2.

Variety:

A variety reported was:

Value	No.	Position		Description
?	v1	1A R2/4	A broken "a" in "Malaysia". 15	

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10s., featured a close up of one corner of the building by night. KHP first day postmarks were used. In addition, a special "BANDARAYA KUALA LUMPUR" KHP postmark was used at GPO Kuala Lumpur and the Philatelic Bureau. It was also applied to a Bukit Bintang cover.

Withdrawal

The issue was withdrawn on 15 January 1974, after 919,633 25c. and 1,169,633 50c. stamps had been sold, and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
72.2.1	98	97	25c.		
72.2.2	99	98	50c.		
72.2.3	-	MFDC-48	First day cover (1-2).		
72.2.3a	-	-	- Bandaraya postmark.	-	

[23 June 1972].

Pahang - 40th Anniversary of Installation of Sultan Abu Bakar.



Sultan Sir Abu Bakar was due to celebrate his fortieth anniversary of his installation as Sultan of Pahang on 23 June 1972. Black and white photographic essays, one of which was handstamped 9 June 1972, exist ¹⁶ for a portrait-format issue to mark the anniversary. There would have been three values - 10c., 15c. and 50c. This issue was cancelled because of the Sultan's ill health. He died in 1974.

9-24 September 1972.

Silver Jubilee Stampex.

The 25th anniversary of the Philatelic Society of Malaysia was marked by an exhibition at the Muzium Negara. A special circular date stamp/cachet "PAMIRAN SETEM JUBLI PERAK / 9hb - 24hb / SEPT.1972 / TAHUN KE / 25 / YEARS / SILVER JUBILEE STAMPEX" was used as a cancellation in conjunction with a Kuala Lumpur cds (on the opening day "KUALA LUMPUR / -9SEP72 / F", on the last day "KUALA LUMPUR / 24SEP72"). PSM issued a 183mm x 105mm unstamped commemorative postcard showing a Hibiscus on one side and the Malaysian flag and the \$2 FMS Tiger stamp on the other. By the end of the exhibition, the card had been reprinted with the addition of reference to PSM as issuer. The revised card was 190mm x 105mm.

22 March 1973.

Opening of Pengkalan Chepa Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Pengkalan Chepa in Kelantan was marked by the issue of a 113mm x 160mm (folded), thin cream card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a 25c. 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover has, printed in gold, the office details, the officiating VIP and the date. A 15c. stamp was affixed and cancelled with the appropriate postmark. The insert had the Pos emblem in red and a type-set programme of speakers. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame.¹⁷

28 April 1973.

Opening of Muar Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Muar in Johore was marked by a folder, similar to that above, but on thin, gloss, white card with an illustration of a 75c. 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover. ¹⁷

19 May 1973.

Kuala Lumpur - 75th Anniversary of Methodist Boy's School.

A private cover marked the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Methodist Boy's Secondary School in Kuala Lumpur. This was actually founded in July 1897 by Rev. Dr. William T. Kensett, R.N., formerly of the battleship "H.M.S. Orion", as the Anglo-Tamil School, a church and school for the Tamil population of Kuala Lumpur, initially in a shophouse at the corner of Batu Road and Java Street. In 1904, the school moved to its current location on Petaling Hill and was renamed the Methodist Boys' School Kuala Lumpur by Rev. William E. Horley. It is still in being.

The cover was serviced with 1973 Definitive Issue stamps, a circular anniversary cachet and Kuala Lumpur M3 circular date stamp.

2 June 1973.

Opening of Pontian Post Office.

Social Security Organisation.

The opening of the new post office at Pontian in Johore was marked by a folder as used for Muar above. 17

2 July 1973.

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This issue marks the official launch of the national Social Security Organisation (SOCSO). A pilot project had started in Johore Bharu in October 1971 under the Social Security Act 1969, itself the outcome of an International Labour Organisation report in 1965. Two national schemes were set up. The Employment Injury Insurance Scheme

Designed by Bradbury, Wilkinson staff, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

commenced on 1 January 1973 and the Invalidity Pension Scheme was due to commence later in the year.

Counter sheets:

The three 28mm x 35mm stamps (10c., 15c., 50c.) share a common design with different background colours. They showed the SOCSO emblem (a family with an umbrella, key and wheelchair), as used on social security stamps issued since 1971 (see Chapter 36 in Volume 3).

They were printed in sheets of $100 (10 \times 10)$ by Harrison & Sons using four-colour off-set lithography (10c.: purple, red, blue, orange; 15c.: purple, red, blue, yellow; 50c.: purple, red, blue, grey). The plates were numbered 1A (x4). The printer's imprint "HARRISON AND SONS LTD LONDON" appeared below R10/7-9 followed by the pane number below R10/9-10. The white fluorescent paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.6×13.8 . The top and bottom margins had a single extension hole. The right-hand margin was perforated through. It is assumed that the left-hand margin was imperforate.

Varieties:

Known varieties included:

Value	Position	Variety
10c.	R2/10	Right eye of man white instead of blue. 18
	R7/8	White spot under wheel. ¹⁹
15c.	R3/3	White ring in umbrella under second "a" of "malaysia". ²⁰
	?	White patch on left chest of woman. ²¹
	?	Major disturbance (light blue) in man's right eye. ²²

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c. from 11 June 1973, was based on the stamp design.

KHP first day postmarks were used.

At least one cover, posted at Jalan Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur, received a 30c. SOCSO social security fiscal stamp in addition to the above issue, which was tied to the cover by the KHP postmark. ²³

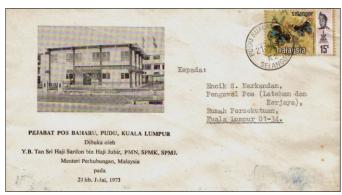
Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 23 October 1974, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
73.1.1	100	99	10c.		
73.1.2	101	100	15c.		
73.1.3	102	101	50c.		
73.1.4	-	MFDC-49	First day cover (1-3).		

21 July 1973.

Opening of Pudu Post Office.



(illustration reduced 50%)

The opening of the new post office at Pudu in Kuala Lumpur was marked by the issue of a souvenir cover, issued only at the opening event, cancelled with counter handstamp "PUDU KUALA LUMPUR / 21JUL73 / K2 / SELANGOR".

There was also a 113mm x 160mm (folded), thin, gloss, white card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a 75c. 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover has, printed in gold, the office details, the officiating VIP and the date. A 15c. stamp was affixed and cancelled with the appropriate postmark. The insert had the Pos emblem in red and a programme of speakers. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame.

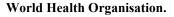
No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
73.2.1	_	-	Cover.	-	

25 July 1973.

Opening of Seksyen 17 Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Seksyen 17, Petaling Jaya in Selangor was marked by a folder as issued for Pudu above, but with a 5c. stamp.

1 August 1973.







This was issued to mark the Silver Jubilee of the World Health Organisation (WHO), a Geneva-based specialist agency of the United Nations (UNO). The WHO emblem is that of the UNO with the Staff of Aesculapius superimposed. The WHO has three roles, medical research, aid to single countries and provision of world-wide services.

Designed by Union Advertising, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The two stamps bore the WHO emblem. The 30c. was 36mm x 26mm, and the 75c. 26mm x 36mm.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Bradbury, Wilkinson using off-set lithography. Sheet markings were not recorded. The non-fluorescent coated paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 13.2 x 12.9 (30c.) or 12.9 x 13.2 (75c.).

Variety:

Known varieties included:

Value	Position	Variety
30c.	=	Known mint with black omitted. ²⁴

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold from 11 July 1973 at 10c., showed the WHO headquarters in Geneva. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawn:

The issue was withdrawn on 23 October 1974, and invalidated by 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
73.3.1	103	102	30c.		
73.3.2	104	103	75c.		
73.3.3	-	MFDC-50	First day cover (1-2).		

17 August 1973.

Opening of Pulau Langkawi Post Office.

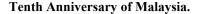
The opening of the new post office at Pulau Langkawi in Kedah by the Minister of Communications was marked by the issue of a 113mm x 160mm (folded), thin, gloss, white card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a 75c. 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover has, printed in gold, the office details, the officiating VIP and the date. A 5c. stamp was affixed and cancelled with counter cds "PULAU LANGKAWI / 170GO73 / K3 / KEDAH". The insert had the Pos emblem in red and a type-set programme of speakers. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame.

An official unstamped souvenir cover was also produced. showing a black-and-white photograph of the office on the front and the Pos emblem in red on the back.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
73.3a.1	-	-	Souvenir cover		

31 August 1973.







This issue marked the tenth anniversary of Malaysia, which actually fell on 16 September, but the stamps were issued on Malaysia Day, 31 August.

Designed by Clover Associates, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets

The three 25mm x 38mm stamps (10c., 15c., 50c.) to a common design showing the Malaysian flag, hibiscus and fireworks were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using six-colour off-set lithography (black, dark blue, cyan, magenta, frame colour (10c. green, 15c. brown, 50c. grey), yellow). Sheet markings included plate numbers 1A (x6) below R10/8-10 and boxed colour squares above R1/8-9. The white fluorescent paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.3 x 14.2. Bottom margin of all values had a single extension hole and right margin was perforated through. Other margins were not recorded, but it is assumed that the top margin had a single extension hole and the left margin was imperforate.

Varieties:

Known varieties included:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
10c.	v1	All	Yellow shifted significantly (ISC 104a).
15c.	v1	All	Red printed twice, once inverted. ²⁵
	v2	?	Ring flaw below "MA" of "MALAYSIA".

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., featured the flag of Malaysia surrounded by the flags of the states. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 31 March 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
73.4.1	105	104	10c.		
73.4.2	106	105	15c.		
73.4.3	107	106	50c.		
73.4.4	-	MFDC-51	First day cover (1-3).		

15 September 1973. Interpol.





Interpol, the International Criminal Police Organisation (ICPO), was formed in 1923 to fight the growth in cross-border crime made possible by the rapid growth in transport services after the First World War. Unusually, it did not become a specialised agency of the United Nations after 1945. This may be because its terms of reference excluded political, military, religious and racial matters. Malaysia joined in 1961. This issue marked its fiftieth anniversary.

Designed by Union Advertising, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The two 39mm x 27mm designs portrayed the emblems of Interpol and the Royal Malaysian Police, the 25c. showing them in circles and the 75c. showing them superimposed on the number 50.

They were printed in sheets of $100 (10 \times 10)$ by Harrison & Sons using off-set lithography. The 25c. was printed using red, blue, grey, orange and brown, and the 75c. purple, black, gold and grey, both from plates numbered 1A. Colour dabs appeared to the right of R10/10. Other sheet markings were not recorded. The orange background of the 25c. stamp bled into the sheet margins. The fluorescent white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 12.7.

Proofs:

Proofs of both stamps exist on identical Harrison & Sons presentation cards. The cards were 102mm x 124mm with rounded corners on stout card. The Royal coat of arms and "BY APPOINTMENT TO / HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN / PRINTERS / HARRISON & SONS LTD LONDON" were embossed in gold at the top, followed by "HARRISON AND SONS LIMITED / 38 Warren Street, London, W.1. / PHOTOGRAVURE AND LITHOGRAPHIC / STAMP SPECIALISTS" in black. "C.69" appeared in red ball-point pen manuscript at bottom left of both cards. Each card carried a single imperforate proof stamp on unwatermarked paper, one 25c. and the other 75c., gummed to the card. Designs and colours were as for the issued stamp. ²⁶

Varieties

Known varieties included:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
75c.	v1	?	Hyphen between "KE" and "50" on the 75c. This was not a natural flaw. It may have been
			a late change to the design which was not corrected in at least one position on the sheet. ²⁷
	v2	-	Gold omitted. ²⁸

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold for 10c., showed the Interpol emblem.

KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 31 March 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
73.5.1	108	107	25c.		
73.5.2	109	108	75c.		
73.5.3	-	MFDC-52	First day cover (1-2).		

1 October 1973.

Malaysian Airline System.







Issued to mark the first anniversary of the formation of Malaysian Airline System (MAS) ²⁹, by the division of Malaysia-Singapore Airways between Malaysia (MAS) and Singapore (Singapore International Airlines - SIA), which took place on 1 October 1972 (see Chapter 45 in Volume 3).

Designed by the Art Department of MAS, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The three 41mm x 22mm stamps (15c., 30c., 50c.) were designed by the Art Department of MAS and showed the MAS emblem and a Boeing 737-200 jet airliner, one of seven newly-purchased at a cost of \$132million for routes in South East Asia. The MAS emblem was based on the traditional Kelantan Kite design, symbolising "controlled flight in an exclusively Malaysian manner".

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using seven-colour off-set lithography (15c.: black, red, grey, blue, green-blue, gold and yellow). The 15c. and 30c. were recorded from pane 1A (x7) and the 15c. and 50c. from pane 1B (x7). The pane numbers appeared in the bottom margin below R10/9-10. Colour dabs appeared below the pane numbers. Other sheet markings were not recorded. This issue was the first to use Y/G phosphor-coated paper (see Section 5 of Chapter 3 in Volume 1), which gave a greenish-white fluorescence and yellow-green afterglow and which did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.5 x 14.6. The bottom margin of 1A and an unidentified top margin had a single extension hole. The right margin was perforated through.

Varieties:

Known varieties included:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
15c.	v1	-	Yellow shifted (ISC 109a).
	v2	-	Gold and scarlet shifted (ISC 109b).
	v3	-	Gold omitted (leaving yellow). ³⁰
	v4	-	White in plane tail missing. ³¹
	v5	-	Yellow, gold and red shifted down 2mm. ³²
30c.	v1	-	Gold omitted (leaving yellow). ³³
	v2	_	Gold shifted. ³³

Proofs:

Proofs of all three stamps exist on the same Harrison & Sons presentation cards as used for the previous issue. "C.71" appeared in red ball-point pen manuscript at top left of one set of cards and a second set of cards is believed to exist without this annotation. Each card carried a single imperforate proof stamp on unwatermarked paper, gummed to the card. Each proof had guide marks at the corners. Designs and colours were as for the issued stamp.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., featured the MAS emblem and the original photograph of a Boeing 737-200 airliner during take-off which was used for the stamp design.

A special first day postmark was provided at Kuala Lumpur International Airport. Elsewhere, KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 31 March 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
73.6.1	110	109	15c.		
73.6.2	111	110	30c.		
73.6.3	112	111	50c.		

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
73 6 4	-	MFDC-53	First day cover (1-3)		

8 December 1973.

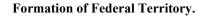
Opening of Gelugor Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Gelugor in Penang was marked by the issue of a 113mm x 160mm (folded), thin, gloss, cream card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a 75c. 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover had, printed in gold, the office details, the officiating VIP and the date. A 5c. stamp was affixed and cancelled with the appropriate postmark. The insert had the Pos emblem in red and a type-set programme of speakers. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame. ³⁴

1974. Airmail Etiquette.

A 1974 printing of the official airmail etiquette, bearing "Pos-Mail74" at the bottom right of the sheet of 40, was noted as being on Multiple PTM watermark paper.

1 February 1974.







On 1 February 1974, Kuala Lumpur became an independent Federal Territory of 94 square miles (of which 36 square miles had been within the former city boundary), so that the government could be seen to be free of perceived Selangor bias. Shah Alam became the new capital of Selangor. Kuala Lumpur was founded as a tin mining town in 1857. It replaced Klang as capital of Selangor in 1880.

Designed by Malaysian Advertising Services, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The two 51mm x 26mm stamps (25c., 50c.) to a common design showed a cityscape of Kuala Lumpur, including, from left to right, the Railway Station, the National Mosque, Parliament Building, the Sultan Abdul Samad Building, National Museum and the Bank Negara Building.

The stamps were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Bradbury, Wilkinson using six-colour off-set lithography (standard plus dark blue and red (25c.) or red and orange-yellow (50c.)). Sheet markings include colour checks to right of rows 9 and 10. No plate numbers are known. The non-fluorescent paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 12.9 x 13.2. The bottom margin was imperforate.

Proofs

Imperforate proofs of both values have appeared on the open market.

Varieties:

Varieties reported included:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
25c.	v1	R1-10/9-10	White text and buildings blurred on last two vertical rows of a sheet due to colour
			shifts (paper movement in the press?). ³⁵

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed a map showing the boundary of the Federal Territory. KHP first day postmarks were used. A new "KUALA LUMPUR" KHP mark without state name was introduced, but some covers received the old "KUALA LUMPUR / SELANGOR" mark in error.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 8 May 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
74.1.1	113	112	25c.		
74.1.2	114	113	50c.		
74.1.3	-	MFDC-54	First day cover (1-2).		

14 February 1974.

Johore State Development Festival.

The Pesta Pembangunan Negeri Johore (Johore State Development Festival) was held in Muar from 14 to 24 February 1974. A special unstamped souvenir cover (8in x 4in) was produced, showing the state crest at the left. A special circular date stamp "PESTA PEMBANGUNAN NEGERI JOHORE DI MUAR / 14HB. FEB 1974" was used on the opening day. A slogan cancellation was also used to publicise the event.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Mint	Used
74 2 1	_	- Souvenir cover	П	

22 March 1974.

Opening of Tanjong Kling Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Tanjong Kling in Malacca was marked by the issue of a 113mm x 160mm (folded), thin, gloss, cream card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a 75c. 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover had, printed in gold, the office details, the officiating VIP (Tan Sri Haji Sardon bin Haji Jubir, Minister of Communications) and the date. A 5c. stamp was affixed to the front inside cover and cancelled with the appropriate postmark. The insert had the Pos emblem in red at the left and a type-set programme of speakers at the right. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame.

25 April 1974.

Asian Development Bank.





The seventh Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) took place at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton from 25 to 27 April 1974. Formed on the initiative of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, the ADB was an international development finance institution for assisting the development of member countries. Founded in 1966 with 31 member countries, it had 40 members by 1973. Malaysia had received some US\$150million for 17 projects covering water supply, power, highways, agriculture, ports and airports.

Designed by Malaysian Advertising Services, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The two 42mm x 27mm stamps (30c., 75c.) to a common design showed the bank's emblem and various development projects.

This was one of only two Malaysian issues to be printed by Rosenbaum Brothers, who used six-colour off-set lithography, in sheets of $100 \ (10 \ x \ 10)$. Printing colours were cyan, magenta, yellow, black, dark blue and the background colour (silver grey (30s.) or buff (75c.). The printer's sheet included six colour blocks and a central vertical blue line below each stamp, but all but the top of the line was guillotined off counter sheets. The low fluorescence white paper was unwatermarked. The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.5. Bottom and right-hand margins were perforated through.

Proofs:

Imperforate proofs of both values exist on the open market from proof sheets 00004 (30c.) and 00001 (75c.).

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., featured the bank emblem. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 8 May 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
74.3.1	115	114	30c.		
74.3.2	116	115	75c.		
74.3.3	-	MFDC-55	First day cover (1-2).		

4 May 1974.

Opening of Kuala Kurau Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Kuala Kurau in Perak was marked by the issue of a 113mm x 160mm (folded), thin, gloss, cream card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a 75c. 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover had, printed in gold, the

office details, the officiating VIP and the date. A 5c. stamp was affixed and cancelled with the appropriate postmark. The insert had the Pos emblem in red and a type-set programme of speakers. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame. ¹⁷

18 May 1974.

Opening of Simpang Rengam Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Simpang Rengam in Johore was marked by the issue of a souvenir folder for dignitaries attending the event. Details were as for Kuala Kurau above. ¹⁷

June 1974. Post Office Savings Bank.

In February 1974, it was announced that an issue would mark the Silver Jubilee of the Post Office Savings Bank. There would be three values, 10c., 15c. and 50c., for issue in June 1974. This issue was later cancelled, possibly due to political considerations surrounding the planned conversion of the Bank into a corporation. ³⁶

9 June 1974.

Opening of Ketereh Post Office.

The opening of this Kelantan office was marked by use of a KHP first day postmark. So far as was known, no official souvenir cover was issued.

There was a souvenir folder for dignitaries, as for Kuala Kurau above. 17

12 June 1974.

Opening of Sri Menanti Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Sri Menanti in Negri Sembilan was marked by the issue of a souvenir folder for dignitaries attending the event. Details were as for Kuala Kurau above. 17

24 June 1974.

Opening of Kota Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Kota in Negri Sembilan was marked by the issue of a 116mm x 175mm (folded), thin card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a \$10 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover had, printed in gold, the office details, the officiating VIP and the date. A 5c. stamp was affixed and cancelled with the appropriate postmark. The insert had the Pos emblem in red and a type-set programme of speakers. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame. ¹⁷

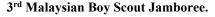
28 June 1974.

Opening of Sipitang Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Sipitang in Sabah was marked by the issue of a souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. Details were as for Kota above, but with printed programme of speakers. ¹⁷

1 August 1974.







This issue marked the third Malaysia Jamboree of the Boy Scouts Association of Malaysia, held in the Palace Botanical Garden at Johore Bahru, Johore from 1 to 7 August 1974. (The first was held in Penang in 1966 and the second in Malacca in 1970).

Scouting began, under Lord Baden Powell, in Great Britain when the first experimental camp was held at Brownsea Island on 1 August 1907. The first trial troop in Malaya was formed at Penang YMCA but it was not until a troop was formed at Penang Free School in 1915 that it became fully established in Penang. The first Selangor troop was formed in 1909. The first successful Scout Troop in Malaya was established in Singapore in 1910 by Frank Cooper Sands, who was appointed the first Chief Scout Commissioner, holding the post to 1948. This was the catalyst for rapid expansion. Troops were established at Pekan in Pahang in 1912, Sabah 1912, Sarawak 1915, Perak 1920, Kedah 1922, Malacca 1925, Negri Sembilan 1925, Selangor 1926, Trengganu 1926, Kelantan 1927, Johore 1928, Perlis 1931. The Rover Scout Unit for those over 18 years of age was established in 1920. The first Jamboree was held in 1927 at Penang Rifle Range. The Persekutuan Tanah Melayu Boy Scouts Association became a member of the International (later World) Scout Conference on 1 September 1957. It became the Boy Scouts Association of Malaysia in November 1964,

following the parting with Singapore and the first Malaysia Jamboree was held in Penang in 1966. Royal patronage was granted in 1968. "Boys" was dropped from the title in 1974.

Designed by Malaysian Advertising Services using material supplied by the Chief Commissioner of the Association, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 30mm x 38mm 10c. showed the Jamboree badge, the 49mm x 27mm 15c. showed Scouts saluting the Malaysian and Malaysian Scout flags and the 29mm x 38mm 50c. showed a Malaysian Scout badge.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using standard four-colour off-set lithography. The plates were numbered 1A (x4). The 10c. was also reported with plate numbers 2A 1A 1A 1A. 22 Other sheet markings were not recorded. The uncut printer's sheet included a repeated series of colour bars in the bottom margin (15c.) or right-hand margin (other values), which would have been removed when the sheets were guillotined. The low fluorescence white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.1 x 13.9 (10c., 50c.) or 13.3 x 13.8 (15c.).

Proofs:

Seven progressive plate proof sheets of each value were stolen from the Kuala Lumpur Stamp Bureau circa December 1977. The Police appealed for their return but it was not known if they were recovered. ³⁷ Imperforate plate proofs have come into the public domain. 38

Varieties:

Varieties reported included:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
15c.	v1	?	Minor perforation shifts to the left are said to be common. ³⁹
	v2	?	Major perforation shift to right so that it passes through "m" of "malaysia". ³⁹

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed three Scouts saluting the flags. KHP first day postmarks were used, with a special one inscribed "JAMBORI MALAYSIA / JOHOR BAHRU" for covers posted at the venue.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 12 June 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

Remaindered covers are known used for official inter-office correspondence. A 1985 example from Kelantan had three violet cachets, "URUSAN POS", "Pengarah Pos Negeri / Kelantan" and "PENGARAH POS" above a line of dots for the destination.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mi	nt Used
74.4.1	117	116	10c.		
74.4.2	118	117	15c.		
74.4.3	119	118	50c.		
74.4.4	-	MFDC-56	First day cover (1-3).		
74.4.4a	-	-	- posted at venue.	-	
74.4.4b	_	_	- used for inter-office correspondence.	_	

11 August 1974.

Opening of Lubok China Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Lubok China in Malacca was marked by the issue of a 116mm x 175mm (folded), thin card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a \$10 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover had, printed in gold, the office details, the officiating VIP and the date. A 5c. stamp was affixed and cancelled with the appropriate postmark. The insert had the Pos emblem in red and a type-set programme of speakers. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame. 17

13 August 1974.

Opening of Tambunan Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Tambunan in Sabah was marked by the issue of a souvenir folder to the same design as used for Lubok China (above). 17

1 September 1974.





National Electricity Board.

Public electricity supply began in 1904 in Penang and 1905 in Kuala Lumpur. Initially, supply was from private power suppliers and the electricity section of the FMS Public Works Department. The FMS Electricity Department was formed on 1 January 1927. The Central Electricity Board was established on 1 September 1949 and these stamps marked the Silver Jubilee of that body which was renamed the National Electricity Board (Lembaga Letrik Negara) in 1965. In 1990, the NEB was converted into a commercial company, Tenaga Nasional Berhad.

Designed by Malaysian Advertising Services, this issue comprised two counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 46mm x 27mm 30c. stamp showed the NEB coat of arms and various power installations (thermal power station, turbo-generators, dam and distribution pylons). The 41mm x 31mm 75c. stamp showed the NEB Building in Kuala Lumpur at night with colour-lit fountains.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by Harrison & Sons using five-colour off-set lithography (standard plus silver). Plates were numbered 1A (x5) below R10/8-10 (30c.), or 1A (x5) below R10/9-10 (75c.). Framed colour blocks appear in the right-hand margin opposite rows 9 and 10, normally guillotined through vertically. The low fluorescence white paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.3 (30c.), 14.1 x 14.7 (75c.).

Proofs:

Nine progressive plate proof sheets of each value were stolen from the Kuala Lumpur Stamp Bureau circa December 1977. The Police appealed for their return but it was not known if they were recovered. ³⁷ Imperforate proofs of this issue are now in the public domain.

Varieties:

Reported varieties include:

Value	No.	Position	Variety.
30c.	v1	1A R2/6	Break in last "a" of "Malaysia" and tiny dot. ⁴⁰
	v2	R10	Silver omitted. ⁴¹

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold from 19 August 1974 at 10s., featured the NEB Building, a lightning flash symbol and the NEB coat of arms. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 12 June 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
74.5.1	120	119	30c.		
74.5.2	121	120	75c.		
74.5.3	-	MFDC-57	First day cover (1-2).		

9 October 1974. Universal Postal Union.







Three 41mm x 28mm stamps (25c., 30c., 75c.) in a common design were issued to mark the centenary of the Universal Postal Union (UPU). For further information on the UPU, see issue 49.1 in Chapter 10.

Designed by Clover Associates, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The common design showed the number 100, with the UPU emblem occupying the first 0 and the "Pos" emblem in the second 0. The UPU emblem is based on a statue consisting of winged messengers circling the globe, to be found at the UPU Headquarters in Berne, Switzerland. This was the first appearance on a stamp of the octagonal "Pos" emblem of the Malaysian Postal Services Department.

They were printed in sheets of $100 (10 \times 10)$ by Harrison & Sons using three-colour off-set lithography using bright yellow, dull yellow green, light rose carmine (25c.), bright yellow, light new blue and light rose carmine (30c.) or dark yellow, brownish orange and scarlet (75c.). Plates were numbered 1A (x3). Frames colour blocks appear in the right-hand margins opposite rows 9 and 10. The uncut printer's sheet included a repeated line of colour blocks along the bottom of the sheet and a guillotining guide cross and circle to the left of the bottom edge of R10/1 (this probably also appeared at the other four corners). The white fluorescent paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.8×14.2 .

Proofs:

Imperforate proofs of all three values exist on the open market.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed the UPU headquarters building at Berne. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

The issue was withdrawn on 12 June 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
74.6.1	122	121	25c.		
74.6.2	123	122	30c.		
74.6.3	124	123	75c.		
74.6.4	-	MFDC-58	First day cover (1-3).		

19-20 October 1974.

Third Sarawak Philatelic Society Stamp Exhibition.

Covers to mark this event at Sibu were issued by the Society and were not post office issues.

31 October 1974.







World Conference on Tin.

The quarterly International Tin Council Session, followed by the fourth World Conference on Tin, was held in Kuala Lumpur from 24 October to 5 November 1974. The London-based International Tin Council supervised the four intergovernmental International Tin Agreements which had been in operation since 1956 to stabilise the world tin market to the benefit of both consumers (22 members) and producers (7 members). Malaysia was the world's largest producer.

Designed by Malaysian Advertising Services, this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

Designed by Malaysian Advertising Services, the three 41mm x 26mm stamps showed:

15c.: A gravel pump at a tin mine;

20c.: An open-cast mine;

50c.: A dredger and tin ingot.

They were printed in sheets of 100 (10 x 10) by De La Rue by off-set lithography. The colours used were yellow, cyan, magenta, black, silver (15c. and 20c.) or yellow, cyan, magenta, black, silver, grey (50c.). The plates were numbered 1A (x5) for 15c. and 20c. to the left of rows 1 and 2, or 1A 1A 1A 2A (black) 1A 1A for 50c. ⁴² to left of rows 1, 2 and 3. Imperforate proofs were approved on 29 August 1974. The non-fluorescent coated paper did not contain any watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.0 x 13.9.

Varieties:

Varieties reported include:

Value	No.	Position	Variety
15c.	v1	1A all	Missing and misplaced colours exist, including the vignette shifted down and to the left,
			leaving a white margin at top and right. 43

Value	No.	Position	Variety
	v2	-	Black omitted (ISC 124a).
	v3	_	Silver omitted. 44

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 10c., showed the World Conference on Tin emblem. KHP first day postmarks were used.

Withdrawal:

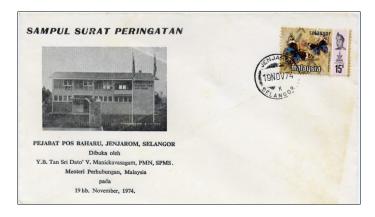
The issue was withdrawn on 12 June 1976 and invalidated on 1 April 1984.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
74.7.1	125	124	15c.		
74.7.2	126	125	20c.		
74.7.3	127	126	50c.		
74.7.4	-	MFDC-59	First day cover (1-3).		

19 November 1974.

Opening of Jenjarom Post Office.

The opening of the new post office at Jenjarom in Selangor was marked by the issue of a 116mm x 175mm (folded), thin card souvenir folder, which was presented to dignitaries attending the event. It had an illustration of a \$10 1970 Definitive stamp on the cover and a glued-in, two-page insert. The inside front cover had, printed in gold, the office details, the officiating VIP and the date. A 5c. stamp was affixed and cancelled with the appropriate postmark. The insert had the Pos emblem in red and a type-set programme of speakers. The inside back cover had a photograph of the new office in a gold frame.



An official souvenir cover was also produced, printed in black with a picture of the office and a 15c. Selangor 1970 Definitive Issue stamp serviced with the office postmark. The Pos emblem was printed in red on the flap.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
74.8.1	-	-	Envelope	-	

NOTES

- Seen used from Ipoh to Kuala Lumpur 2 April 1973.
- ² Reported by Mr. S. Tan in PSM 4/1/7.
- Offered in MSG Auction July 2001.
- Listed as ISC 77a Used examples only, postmarked in Johore, reported by Mr. S. Tan in PSM 3/1/5.
- Listed as SG 77a, ISC 76a. Reported by Mr. S. Tan in TMP 12/69. One sheet was found, from which 50 stamps had been sold to the public over a post office counter. It also exists from position R10/3 in the partially omitted block listed below.
- Reported by Mr. S. Tan in TMP 12/69. Misplaced about 4mm to the right and slightly downward. Said to occur on 60 of a sheet of 100.
- ⁷ Reported by C. J. Lee in The Malaysian Philatelist, Vol.2, 2012.
- Reported in PSM 2/5/4 and TMP 12/59. Originally reported as missing but corrected with illustration in PSM 2/6/11.
- For further information on Bank Negara Malaysia, see Section 2 of Chapter 1 in Volume 1.
- Complete sheet reported by Mr. C. Nagarajah in PSM 7/1/11.
- Reported in PSM 2/5/2.
- Reported in TMP12/81 and illustrated PSM 3/1/5.
- Opened 1917 by Sultan Abdul Jalil Karamatullah Shah at Kuala Kangsar, Perak.

- Reported by Mr. D.J. Pain.
- Reported by Loh Chang Yoong in PSM 3/4/4. Not totally constant.
- Offered in MSG Auction October 2001. Described as 1975, but 1972 was the anniversary.
- 17 Reported by Mr. N.G. McClaren.
- Reported by Mr. M. Lakhmichand in PSM 6/5/7. Not constant.
- 19 Reported in PSM 5/3/9.
- Reported in PSM 5/3/9. Confirmed by Mr. D.J. Pain.
- Reported in PSM 5/3/9. Mr. D.J. Pain reported ring flaw over woman's heart Same variety?
- Reported by Mr. D.J. Pain.
- Mr. N.G. McClaren collection.
- Offered in MSG Auction March 2001.
- Listed as ISC 105a. Reported by Mr. S. Tan in PSM 5/5/6 as a complete sheet having red strongly doubled and black also faintly doubled.
- ²⁶ Collection Mr. N.G. McClaren.
- Illustrated in PSM 5/4/7.
- Reported by Mr. Wong Ah Yong in PSM 5/8/6.
- 29 "Mas" is Bahasa Malaysia for "gold".
- Reported by Mr. S. Tan in PSM 5/3/9. Reported used at Langkap, Perak 21 March 1974 (PSM 5/3/9) and Malacca 28 March 1974 (PSM 5/6/8).
- Reported by Mr. Wong Ah Yong in PSM 5/8/6. This may be a combination of colour shifts.
- Reported by Mr. Wong Yew Meng in PSM 8/2/10.
- Reported by Mr. Wong Ah Yong in PSM 5/5/6.
- Mr. N.G. McClaren collection.
- Reported by Mr. S. Tan in PSM 6/3/10.
- Reported in PSM 5/3/19.
- Reported in PSM 9/2/18.
- Blocks of four were offered by 21st Century Auctions, Australia in 2007.
- Reported by Mr. J. A. Embregts in PSM 6/4/9.
- Reported by Mr. C. Nagarajah in PSM 7/3/13.
- Reported by Mr. P. Treadwell.
- Reported by Mr. N.G. McClaren. Does 1A (x6) exist?
- ISC 124b. One 1A sheet known. Reported by Mr. S. Tan in PSM 6/3/10.
- Offered mint in MSG Auction March 2001.