50th Anniversary of the First “Spacewalks”

On July 2nd, 2015 Kyrgyz Express Post (KEP) is issuing the souvenir sheet “50th Anniversary of the First “Spacewalks”.

In 1965 the first ever extravehicular activity was performed. The first ever heroes to perform this activity were the Soviet pilot-cosmonaut Alexey Leonov and the American astronaut Edward White. The KEP souvenir sheet, consisting of two stamps, is dedicated to the 50th anniversary of the feats performed by these outstanding men.

Souvenir Sheet description.

No. 13. 50.00 KGS. The stamp depicts the spacewalk of the Soviet cosmonaut, accompanied by the phrase, in Russian: “Алексей Леонов, 18 марта 1965 г.” (“Alexey Leonov, March 18, 1965”).

No. 14. 150.00 KGS. The stamp depicts the American astronaut in outer space, accompanied by the phrase: “Edward White, June 3, 1965”.

Technical specifications.

Paper: coated, gummed, 110 g/m².
Printing method: full-color offset lithography.
Stamp perforation: framed, round 13.4.
Stamp diameter: 38.00 mm.
Souvenir sheet size: 100.00 x 70.00 mm.
Quantity issued: 15 000 pieces.
Artist: Oleg Cojocari.
Designer: Aliona Cojocari.
Printer House: “Cartor Security Printing” (France).

A special cancellation on FDC will be carried out at the Bishkek KEP Office (729002) on the stamp issuing day. The First Day Cover and special Postmark are painted by Oleg Cojocari and designed by Aliona Cojocari.