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NEWSLETTER

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175th Anniversary of the World's First Postage Stamp

On July 2nd, 2015 Kyrgyz Express Post (KEP) is issuing the souvenir sheet "175th Anniversary of the World's First Postage Stamp".

On May 6th, 1840 the first world's postage stamp was issued in Great Britain, which initiated the radical postal reform, as well as the worldwide philatelic movement. The stamp is known in philately as the "Penny Black" (because of the miniature's colour and face value). The KEP souvenir sheet, consisting of one stamp, is dedicated to the 175th anniversary of the world's first postage stamp.

Souvenir Sheet description.

Souvenir Sheet no. 3

No. 15. 250.00 KGS. The stamp depicts the "Penny Black". A commemorative ribbon with the dates "1840-2015" can be found on the sheet background, as well as a picture of KEP's stamp from the first issue, and a quote, in French, from Prince Rainier III of Monaco, saying that a stamp is the best ambassador of a country. There is also a commemorative phrase, written in English, on the sheet background and there are logos of the biggest philatelic exhibitions, dedicated to the anniversary of the world's first postage stamp. The exhibitions took place in May 2015 in Essen, Germany and London, UK.

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Stamp No. 15

Technical specifications.

Paper: coated, gummed, 110 g/m².

Printing method: full-color offset lithography + pantone gold.

Stamp perforation: frame 13.33:13.

Stamp size: 30.00 x 40.00 mm.

Souvenir sheet size: 100.00 x 80.00 mm.

Quantity issued: 10 000 pieces.

Designer: Elnur Isakov.

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 designed by Elnur Isakov.

Printing method: full-color offset. Quantity issued: 400 pieces. Endorsing ink color: black.