

Lot Type Grading Description

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SEYCHELLES - Military - World War II

Lot 1300

1300 C B **1939** (Sep 5) commercial registered airmail cover to GB with scarce franking of 12c 20c 25c & 75c (Cat £70 x3), two strikes on reverse of the first type 'PASSED BY CENSOR' h/s (#H.1) & very fine 'PASSED BY CENSOR/MOMBASA/3' h/s on the face. Very early civil censored mail: War was declared 4.9.1939. [The rate was 12c + R1 surcharge + 20c registration]

400^T

Lot 1301

1301 C A+ **1940** (Feb 10) commercial registered cover to GB with scarce franking of 2c, 30c Tortoise & 1r Pirogue and outstanding strike of 'PASSED BY CENSOR/Seychelles No 1' cachet (#H.IV.1) in violet. Superb!

400^T

1302 C A - (Sep 6) commercial cover to South Africa with 9c scarlet pair tied by scarce 'GRAND ANSE' bridge-type cds, 'PASSED BY CENSOR/Seychelles No 2' cachet (#H.IV.2) in violet; and illustrated advertising cover for *Meikles Hotel* in Salisbury Rhodesia with arrival b/s & the No 2 censor cachet on the face. (2)

250^T

Lot 1303

1303 C B **1943** (Apr 16) registered airmail to GB with 2c plus 9c 20c & 30c pairs, very fine strike of the by-now worn 'PASSED BY CENSOR/-----No 2' cachet (#H.IV.2a) in black, minor blemishes. [Hopson & McCloy state at page 54 "Two examples...are recorded". From July 1942, the airmail rate was reduced to an all-inclusive fee of 1r. This cover may have been carried in a closed bag - which would explain the absence of transit markings - from Seychelles by *RAF Catalina* that flew to Diego Suarez on 19.4.1943]

300^T

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**Lot 1304**

1304	C	A	- (Nov 10) cover to a convent in Ireland with 50c pair & a very fine example of the rare 'OPENED BY CENSOR LL...' label (#H.T.LL) tied by chamfered-boxed '[crown]/PASSED' cachet (#H.V), British censor label at right & Irish censor cachet in red.	500 ^T
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**Lot 1305**

1305	C	C	- (Nov 14) soiled OAS cover to Australia with very fine '[eagle]/RAF/CENSOR/596' cachet used on Seychelles & 3c Tortoise - paying no recorded overseas rate - cancelled in transit at RAF Mombasa with 'EA/APO 81' cds, opened & passed at Sydney. [RAF Seychelles was established in March 1943. Flown per <i>Sunderland</i> flying boat of 230 Squadron, this is believed to be the earliest recorded RAF censor cover from the Seychelles]	400 ^T
1306	PS	A	1944 (Apr 8) usage of formular aerogramme to GB opened & resealed with plain labels & with superb '[eagle]/RAF/CENSOR/596' cachet used on Seychelles, 18c cancelled in transit at RAF Mombasa with 'EA/APO 81' cds.	250 ^T

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Lot 1307

1307	CO	B	- (Apr 8) large piece from an officer's parcel (219x172mm) endorsed "Cigarette Case/Value £3.0.0" registered to GB with rare & exceptional franking of 50c 1r50c pair & 5r block of 4, 'PASSED - BY MILITARY - CENSOR/["autograph"]/No 11/74' cachet (#H.EA.4A) & British 'crown'/CUSTOMS/AND/EXCISE' cachet, some soiling. An extraordinary survivor. [The rate was 1r x23 + 20c registration + 30c insurance for 120 rupees = 23r50c]	1,000 ^T
1308	CL	B	- (May 4) registered airmail cover to "Rhodesian Railways/Beira PEA" with 1r50c & 2r25c Tortoise, rare 'OPENED BY CENSOR/LL 7' label (#H.T.LL/7), octagonal 'BEIRA' arrival b/s of 13-6-45, minor blemishes.	250 ^T



Lot 1309

1309	C	A	- vice-regal cover with printed crown on the flap & endorsed by the Governor "WM Logan/Govt House/Seychelles", to GB with 9c x2 paying surface rate tied by cds of JY27/44 but 2c 30c & 50c added to make up 1r airmail rate & cancelled AU2/44. These envelopes with the printed crown on the flap were a local expedient when the Governor's stationery was exhausted: this & the next lot represent a new discovery not recorded by Hopson & McCloy . [Privileged mail was not subject to censorship. Three squadrons of <i>Catalinas</i> arrived 27.7.1944, one plane departing 3.8.1944]	600 ^T
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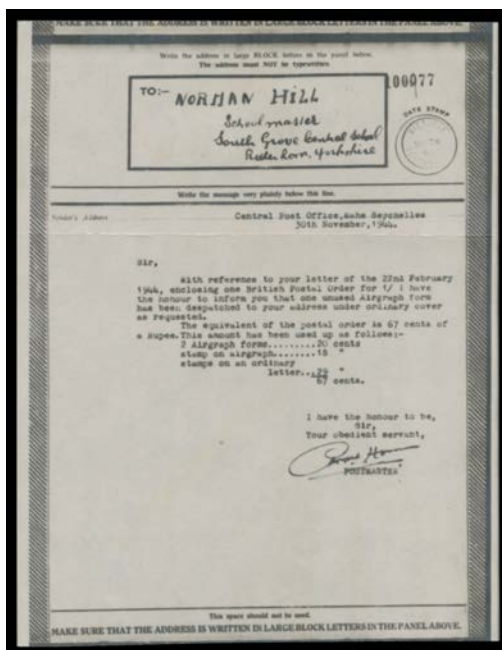
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Lot 1310

- 1310 C B - (Nov 15) vice-regal cover with **printed crown on the flap** & signed by the Governor "WM Logan/Govt House", to GB with 1r black. [Hopson & McCloy note at p45 that BOAC's 'Golden Hind' service made five flights Kenya-Seychelles- Kenya, and that "...these did carry...civilian mail but little was sent...". The service was extended from Seychelles to Ceylon on one occasion only. The return flight arrived from Colombo 16.11.1944 & left the next day for Kisumu. Mail identified as per 'Golden Hind' is rare]

600^T

Lot 1311

- 1311 C A - (Nov 30) airgraph form from the Seychelles Postmaster to GB, advising of a rate reduction - from Sep 1944 - from 50c to 18c for the service. Flown per 'Golden Hind' service. **The only civilian airgraph** known to both our vendor & a major collector of airgraphs. [Airgraphs were introduced by 27.5.1942. Examples from the Seychelles are extremely scarce, with most of those recorded being RAF types. The rate reduction coincided with the introduction of the 18c aerogramme rate]

750^T

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**Lot 1312**

1312 C B - cover endorsed on reverse "O'Toole/RAF Seychelles/...I certify on my honour..." & with rare '[eagle]/RAF/CENSOR/42' cachet (introduced Sep 1944), to GB with 1r black cancelled in transit with 'EA/6XII44/APO 81' cds used at Port Reitz (KUT), light vertical fold & minor soiling. Rare carriage per 'Golden Hind' which departed Seychelles 5.12.1944.

500^T**Lot 1313**

1313 C B **1945** (Mar 28) airmail cover to USA with 6c 20c & 30c & fine strike of the very rare diamond 'PASSED BY CENSOR/ No 1/SEYCHELLES' cachet, rare 'BY AIR TO LONDON/PAR AVION A LONDRES' *jusqu'a* h/s (40x8mm) & red bars applied at London, light horizontal fold clear of the stamps & markings. The rate was reduced to 56c on 28.3.1945. [The censor h/s is unlisted by *Hopson & McCloy*; **only one other example recorded**, on 19.8.1943. The *jusqu'a* h/s was almost certainly applied at Nairobi but is unlisted by *Jan ter Welle*]

600^T**Lot 1314**

1314 PS A - (Aug 6) usage of KGVI 20c Registration Envelope size F with rare albeit philatelic franking of 5r Pirogue on reverse, to Kenya self-censored by the sender with military censor h/s #7428, 'ELDORET' arrival b/s. [6.8.1945 was the last day of military censorship on the Seychelles]

200^T