



Priority Mail 2020/07

Filatelie en Corona, deel 3

In PM 2020/05 en PM 2020/6 verschenen het eerste en tweede deel van het artikel van de Slowaakse filatelist Vojtech Jankovič, met betrekking tot Corona - gerelateerd filatelistisch materiaal. Jankovič heeft het dit materiaal in 4 categorieën ingedeeld. De delen 1 en 2 beslaan de eerste categorie groep, te weten:

1 . Postal Materials Directly Referring to the COVID-19 Corona Virus Pandemic - official

Deel 3 is hiervan het vervolg plus materiaal van de andere drie categorieën.

2. Postal Materials Directly Referring to the COVID-19 Corona Virus Pandemic - not yet officially confirmed

3. Postal Materials Indirectly Referring to the COVID-19 Corona Virus Pandemic

4. Materials Similar to Postage Stamps Abusing COVID-19 Corona Virus Pandemic

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Tribute to the First Line Warriors - Corona virus COVID-19 Pandemic and Philately



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Overview of postal materials with a direct or indirect correlation to the COVID-19 corona pandemic.
(Updated on 27th July 2020)

Tribute to the First Line Warriors (and tribute to those deceased)

1. Postal Materials Directly Referring to the COVID-19 Corona Virus Pandemic - official

NEW ZEALAND - Postage stamps in souvenir sheet

New Zealand Bear Hunt (April 2020)

Series of six stamps (3 x 1,30 NZD and 3 x 2,60 NZD) depicting teddy bears in a sheet with the text: "NEW ZEALAND BEAR HUNT / SUPPORTING NZ RED CROSS"; one bear on the NZD 2.60 stamp has a protective mask.

During the constraints caused by the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic, New Zealand families enjoyed themselves by the phenomenon of bear hunting. Through the simple act of placing a teddy bear in the window of their homes or other places, New Zealanders were able to create a magical experience for children (and large children) during that stressful time. The six-stamp sheet contains a NZD 3.00 donation to the Red Cross in New Zealand.

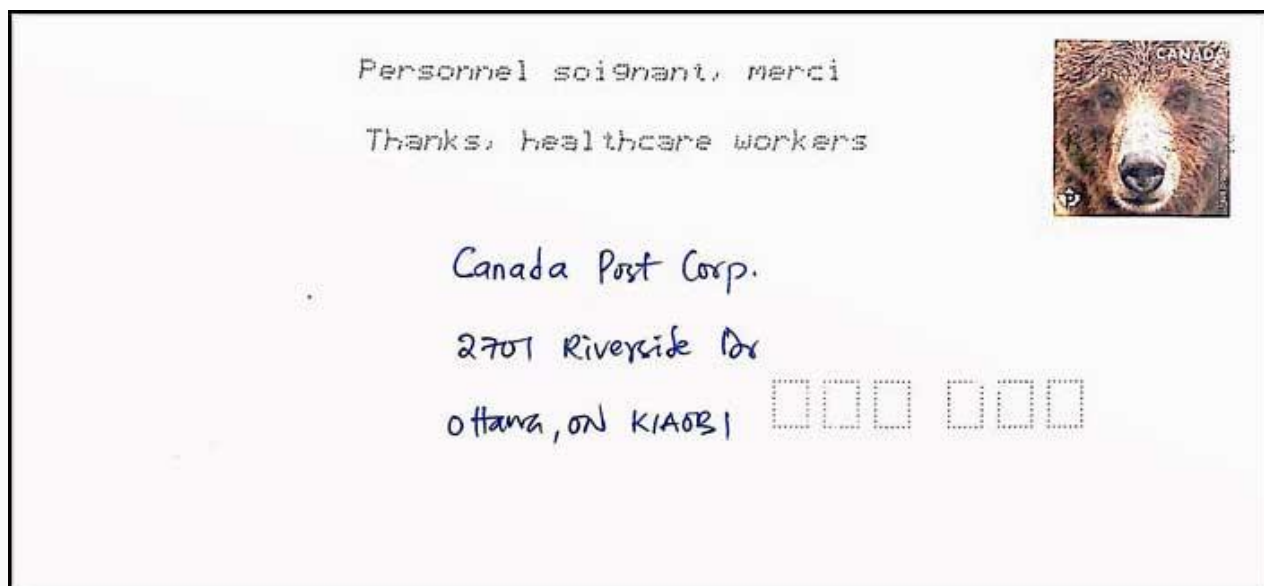




CANADA - Information machine cancellation

Thanks, healthcare workers (since 1st May 2020)

Information machine cancellation used since 1st May 2020 at all Canadian postal processing centers to thank healthcare professionals in the fight against the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic with the text (French/English): "Personnel soignant, merci / Thanks, healthcare workers".



MALAYSIA - Propagation machine cancellation

You Stay At Home, We Deliver (24th March 2020)

Propagation machine cancellation urging people to stay at home and their shipments will be delivered in the fight against the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic with the text: "You Stay At Home, We Deliver / Do your part to stop the spread of COVID-19".



REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN) - Postage stamps

Taiwan Can Help (... 2020)

Two postage stamps (13 and 15) issued in the miniature sheet of 16 stamps with coupons between the stamps show healthcare professionals and measures to limit the spread of corona virus COVID-19, coupons with the text: "Taiwan Can Help".



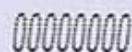
Taiwan
Can Help

防疫郵票



中華郵政股份有限公司 發行

中華彩色印刷股份有限公司承印



SLOVAKIA - Commemorative cancellation

Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows protect us from the corona virus (29th May. 2020)

Commemorative cancellation depicts Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows in the background with big corona virus COVID-19 and text: "Sedembolestná Panna Mária ochráň nás pred koronavírusom" (= Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows protect us from the corona virus).



TOGO - Souvenir sheet

Stop COVID-19 (May/June 2020)

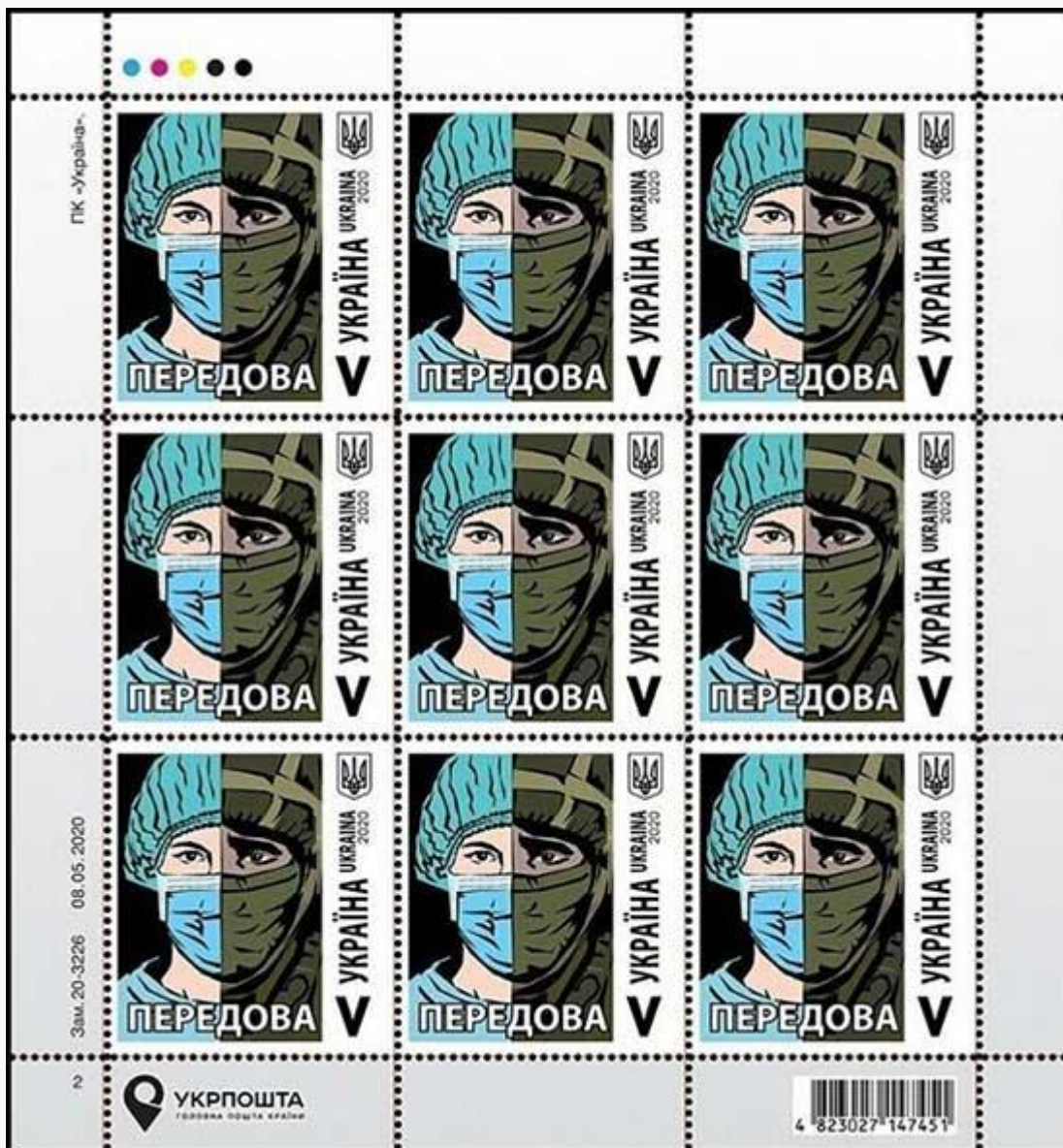
Souvenir sheet with one stamp (10000 F) shows a crossed-out corona virus in the middle with human lungs calling for measures to limit the spread of corona virus COVID-19 with the text: "STOP COVID-19 / SAUVER DES VIES" (= Stop COVID-19 / Save lives).



UKRAINE - Postage stamp

COVID-19 Front-line (29th May 2020)

Postage stamp (symbolic value V) shows the double face of a medical worker with a veil and a soldier with a veil as representatives of the first front line in the fight against corona virus COVID-19 with the text: "???????" (= Front-line). Some sources state that the portrait of a soldier refers to the military front line on Donbas .



CZECH REPUBLIC - Postage stamps

We thank you (24th June 2020)

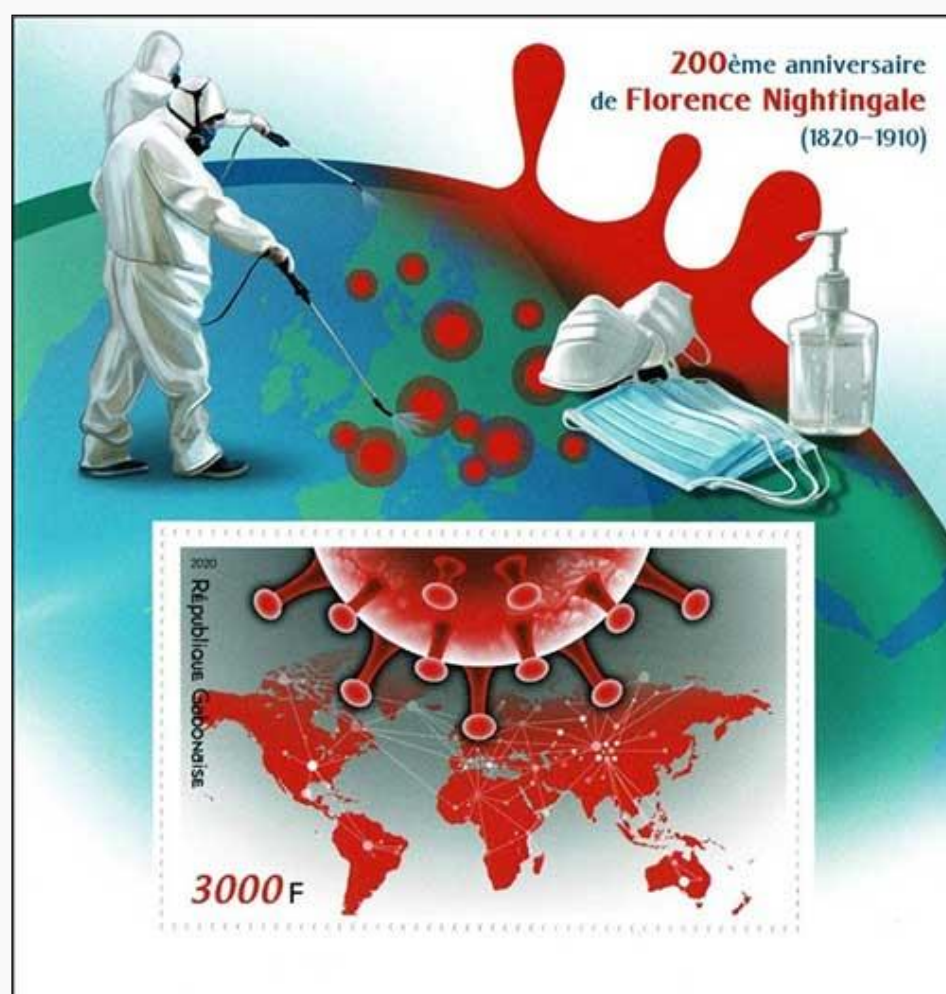
Se-tenant pair of postage stamps (2 x symbolic value B) shows six protective veils with different printing (e.g. Red Cross, Czech Post, army, firemen) as a thank you to all those deployed in the fight against corona virus COVID-19 with the text: "Děkujeme" (= We thank you).



GABON - Souvenir sheets

200th anniversary of Florence Nightingale and the COVID-19 Pandemic (24th June 2020)

Four-stamp souvenir sheet (4 x 650 F) depicts various aspects of the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic and a single-stamped souvenir sheet (3000 F) depicts the COVID-19 corona virus symbol, protective equipment, disinfectant spray and corona virus spread map, both with the text: "200^{ème} anniversaire de Florence Nightingale (1820 - 1910)" (= 200th anniversary of Florence Nightingale).



BRASIL - Souvenir sheet

Fight against COVID-19 (8th July 2020)

Six-stamp souvenir sheet (6 x R\$ 2,05) depicts various aspects of the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic and the COVID-19 corona virus symbol with the text: "COMBATE A COVID-19 / SEJA CONSCIENTE, SEJA RESPONSÁVEL, SEJA SOLIDÁRIO" (= Fight against COVID-19 / be aware, be responsible, be supportive).



GREECE - (Personalized) miniature sheets

Thank you everyone (June 2020)

Official miniature sheet with four same personalized self-adhesive stamps (4 x 1,00 €) depicting a four-segment jigsaw puzzle representing four important professions in the fight against the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic with the text: "THANK YOU EVERYONE"

We stayed home and won (June 2020)

Official miniature sheet with four same personalized self-adhesive stamps (4 x 1,00 €) depicting a jigsaw puzzle with four segments and a man on a ladder as symbols of the fight against the corona virus pandemic COVID-19 with the text: "WE STAYED HOME AND WON"





LEBANON - Postage stamp

Thank you to our caring heroes (July 2020)

Postage stamp (2000 L. L.) depicts a heart with a cardiogram, French and Arabic texts as challenges in the fight against the corona virus pandemic COVID-19: "Merci a nos héros soignants (= Thank you to our caring heroes)" and red "Thanks, consideration and gratitude" and black "to all those who left those they love to care for those we love"

IMPORTANT NOTE: Another proposal for a Lebanese stamp has appeared on the Internet and social networks, which is most likely a complete bogus/fake - the issue of this stamp has not yet been confirmed by the Lebanon postal administration, so beware!



Lebanon's victory over corona virus (July 2020)

Postage stamp (3000 L. L.) depicts a hand in fist protruding from a globe surrounded by viruses and the text: "Victoire du Liban sur le Virus Corona" (= Lebanon's Victory over the Corona Virus)



LUXEMBOURG - Personalized souvenir sheet

Luxembourg in times of COVID-19 (June 2020)

Commemorative personalized souvenir sheet with eight stamps (8 x 0,80 €) shows children's drawings (children 8 - 12 years) of various activities during the pandemic of the corona virus COVID-19 with the text: "LËTZEBUERG AN ZÄITE VU COVID-19 (= Luxemburg in times of COVID-19) It is a personalized souvenir sheet prepared and offered on its website by the Luxembourg Post using its service for the production of personalized philatelic products (service Sheet meng.post.lu).



2. Postal Materials Directly Referring to the COVID-19 Corona Virus Pandemic - not yet officially confirmed

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA - (Personalized) stamp

Pandemic COVID-19 in Bosnia and Herzegovina and in the World (April 2020)

This postage (probably personalized) stamp (0,90 M) depicts two COVID-19 viruses as two zeros in 2020 and a text: "PANDEMIJA COVID-19 U BIH I SVIJETU 2020"

IMPORTANT NOTE: The issue of this stamp has not yet been confirmed by the Bosnia and Herzegovina postal administration.



INDONESIA - Postage stamps

Give Corona No Chance! Stay at Home (April 2020)

Two pairs of postage stamps (2 x 3000 Rup and 2 x 5000 Rup) - probably stamp designs, in worse case forgeries (hoax), so beware! The first pair depicts people with masks, rescue services and medical units. The second pair depicts a rescuer in a protective clothing and multiple COVID-19 viruses and red blood cells with a challenge: "GIVE CORONA NO CHANCE! / STAY AT HOME".

IMPORTANT NOTE: The issue of this stamp has not yet been confirmed by the Indonesia postal administration. According to the latest information, this is probably a bogus/fake, so beware!



COVID-19

Corona Virus Disease 2019



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SRI LANKA - Postage stamp

Virus Eradication COVID-19 (... 2020)

Postage stamp (45.00) displays the COVID-19 virus and the indication of its spread in the states of the world, the flag of Sri Lanka and the World Health Organization logo and the text: "Virus Eradication COVID-19".

IMPORTANT NOTE: The issue of this stamp has not yet been confirmed by the Sri Lanka postal administration. According to the latest information, this is probably a bogus/fake, so beware!



3. Postal Materials Indirectly Referring to the COVID-19 Corona Virus Pandemic

Among the indirectly referenced philatelic materials we could (more precisely: we will probably be able to) include those that will be issued to events that have been postponed or even cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

First of all, we mean the XXXII Summer Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, originally planned for 2020, but moved to 2021 - a lot of postage stamps and other items will surely come out. If the OG organizers will not change the name, logo and all other related elements - which is not foreseen - there will be a strange paradox: postage stamps will bear year 2020 in the title and logo, but will not be published until 2021. And this paradox would appear, of course, also on postage stamps as a clear reference to the reasons for such unusual publishing activity caused by the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic. It will be apparent mainly on those postage stamps with inscription of the year of issue 2021.

NORTH MACEDONIA - Postage stamp

XXXII Summer Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 - Karate (January 2020)

Postage stamp of North Macedonia to the XXXII Summer Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 was issued well in advance and therefore bears the Olympic indications - the official logo and the year of issue 2020.



CYPRUS - Postage stamps

XXXII Summer Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 - Gymnastics, Disc Throw, Pole Vault, Marathon (March 2020)

Four-stamp series of Cyprus to the XXXII Summer Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 was issued just before the outbreak of the pandemic and therefore all stamps bear the Olympic indications - the TOKYO 2020 description and the year of issue 2020.



SLOVAKIA - Postage stamp

XXXII Summer Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 - Relay Run (15th April 2020 postponed to 14th April 2021)

The postage stamp of Slovakia (1,55 €) depicting relay run was planned for the XXXII Summer Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 to which, however, it refers only by the red circle symbolizing the Japanese national flag, the logo of the Slovak Olympic and Sports Committee with the Olympic rings and the year of issue 2020. In fact, the stamp will not be published until 2021 (new date of issue was set on 14th April 2021), thus multiplying the aforementioned paradox: the issue for the event with year 2020 taking place only in 2021, and the description of the year of issue 2020, while the stamp will not be published until 2021. The reason is simple: the Slovak Post have printed the stamp already in advance, but it does not plan to shred it and print a new one, only to issue it as it is.



CZECH REPUBLIC - Machine cancellation

Postponed Tokyo Games (23rd July. 2020)

The machine cancellation initiated by the OLYMPSPORT society commemorates the postponement of the Summer Olympic Games TOKYO 2020 - it was used exactly one year before the planned start date of the postponed Olympic Games. The cancellation commemorates five new Olympic sports: 3x3 basketball, skateboarding, surfing, karate, sport climbing.



SWITZERLAND - Postage stamps

IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship 2020 (5th March 2020)

The pair of Swiss postage stamps (85 and 100 SvFr) have been issued for the definitively cancelled IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship 2020, which were due to take place in Switzerland in May 2020, have certainly witnessed the corona virus outbreak. These postage stamps were issued before the final decision to cancel the IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship 2020 and the Swiss Post decided to keep them in circulation.





UNITED KINGDOM - Stamp booklet

World Postage Stamps Exhibition LONDON 2020 (February 2020)

Evidence of a corona virus pandemic is the commemorative stamp booklet issued for the LONDON 2020 World Postage Stamp Exhibition, which even shows the original date of May 2-9 May 2020 - the exhibition was postponed until February 2022.



AUSTRALIA - Souvenir sheet with imprint

International Postage Stamps Exhibition MELBOURNE 2022 (July 2020)

Evidence of a corona virus pandemic is The Queen's Birthday souvenir sheet with an imprint announcing that the planned international postage stamps exhibition MELBOURNE 2021 is postponed to MELBOURNE 2022 due to a corona virus COVID-19 pandemic.



SLOVAKIA - Postage stamp

ACT NOW - Environmental Sustainability (27th March 2020)

Another indirect document is the self-adhesive postage stamp of Slovakia (1.70 €) issued in a sheet format - planned as a joint issue with Italy. The issue was to be released during the MILANOFIL 2020 fair and philatelic exhibition, what is also written on the sheet bottom margin: "SPOLOČNÉ VYDANIE S TALIANSKOM MILANOFIL 2020 / EMISSIONE CONGIUNTA CON ITALIA MILANOFIL 2020" (= Joint issue with Italy MILANOFIL 2020). After initial considerations how to proceed, the Slovak Post representatives decided to issue this Slovak postage stamp on 27th March 2020. However, the Italian Post did not. The MILANOFIL 2020 philatelic fair and exhibition have been postponed indefinitely, but later was announced that MILANOFIL 2020 will not happen in 2020 at all. And the sheet has become a sad witness to measures to combat the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic.

ACT NOW

1. OSPRCHOVAŤ SA ZA 5 MINÚT

2. OBMEDZIŤ POUŽÍVANIE AUTA

3. ZNÍŽIŤ SPOTREBU MÄSA

4. POUŽÍVAŤ LOKÁLNE VÝROBKY

5. TRIEDIŤ ODPAD

6. ZHASÍNAŤ SVETLO

7. VYBERAŤ ZÁSTRČKU ZO ZÁSUVKY

8. NABÍJAŤ A OPÄŤ POUŽÍVAŤ

9. MÓDA BEZ PLYTVANIA

10. NOSIŤ SI NA NÁKUP VLASTNÉ VRECKÁ

SPOLOČNÉ VYDANIE S TALIANSKOM MILANOFIL 2020 | EMISSIONE CONGIUNTA CON ITALIA MILANOFIL 2020



Taking the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic from a broader perspective of deploying emergency services in emergencies, we find additional postage stamps and other postal materials dedicated to these - often nameless - heroes who fulfill their professional and moral duties regardless of the threat.

USA - postage stamp

Honoring First Responders (13th September 2018)

Postage stamp (FOREVER STAMP) shows the intervening unit: a firefighter, a medical worker and a cop.



4. Materials Similar to Postage Stamps Abusing COVID-19 Corona Virus Pandemic

There also appear non-postal - only reminiscent of postage stamps - souvenir materials that abuse the pandemic and try, even in various variants, to withdraw money from the pockets of collectors. Please pay attention to them and do not support inhuman publishers and speculators.

RUSSIA - Fictitious Peter´s Post - Souvenir sheets

MILANOFIL 2020 (March 2020)

A souvenir sheet (perforated and imperforated) with two stamps for the unrealized (postponed) philatelic fair and exhibition MILANOFIL 2020 with the theme of the Last Supper by Leonardo da Vinci with apparently speculative "pirated" edition of fictitious post with semi-imprints "QUARANTINED / ITALY" and "COVID-2019".





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