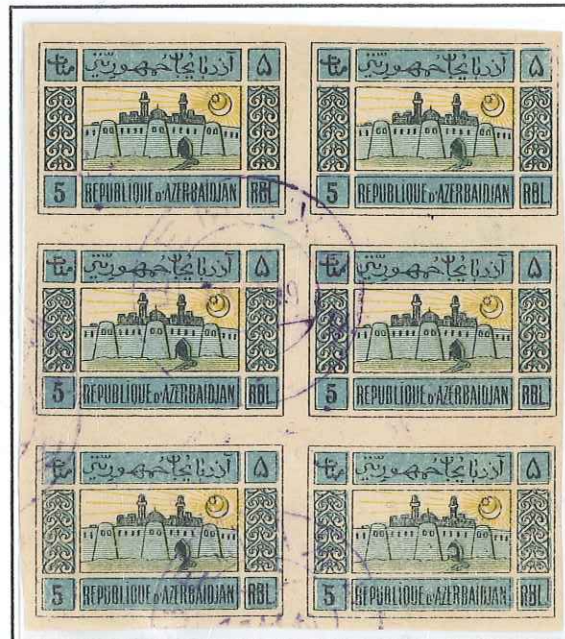


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EVLAKH ELISAV "d" 21.9.21



SHEMAKHA "u" 13.11.19 in blue

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1922 (14.3) Registered commercial cover to Leipzig, Germany franked on reverse with pair of 400r **BAKINSKOI D.K.** diagonally handstamped in violet at the Baku Post Office to act as 17,500r and tied by BAKU "m" cds alongside 1.4.22 arrival cds.

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This issue was originally intended for use by the whole of Transcaucasian Federation, therefore *rarely* some basic stamp previously overprinted with Armenian HH and HP monogram overprints are to be found on TSFSR Star overprinted stamps.



1923 (21.5) Registered cover to Kiev franked with block of four 50k star overprinted Russian Arms issue sold at 50,000R each with previously overprinted Armenian monogram, and tied by BIELYI - GOROD "a" dispatch and 2.6 arrival date stamps.

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1923 (12.12) Registered cover to New York, USA franked on reverse with 4k and pair of 18k of new values pictorial issue and tied by KHANKENDY ELISAV "a" dispatch date stamps and 14.1 and 15.1 oval receiver cancels.

Very rare Occasional Post Office cancel. Dr. Ceresa records no documents

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Stamps and Postal History of Azerbaijan 1918 – 1923

The postage stamps and postal history of Azerbaijan describes the history of postage stamps and postal systems in Azerbaijan, which closely follows the political history of Azerbaijan, from its incorporation to the Russian Empire in 1806, to its briefly obtained independence in 1918, which it lost to the Soviet Union in 1920 and re-acquired it in 1991 after the fall of the Soviet Union.

Russian Empire: The modern postal service in Azerbaijan began in the early 19th century, when Azerbaijan became a part of the Russian Empire. The first post office was opened in 1818 in Elisavetpol. The first mail forwarding service was established in 1826 in Baku, followed by the second mail forwarding service which was established in 1828 in Nakhichevan. Post offices were opened Quba, Shusha, Shemakha, Lenkoran, Nukha and Salyan. Russian Empire postmarks and postage stamps were in used in the territory of Azerbaijan from 1858. The early postmarks were composed of dots in different shapes. Dated postmarks with city names soon followed.

Azerbaijan Democratic Republic: The first stamps of Azerbaijan were issued in 1919 by the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic and consisted of a set of ten pictorial designs to 50r. There are two distinct printings, a 1919 printing on white paper with whitish gum and a 1920 printing on buff paper with yellow gum or no gum. The first printing is scarcer and forgeries of it exist

Azerbaijan Soviet Socialist Republic: On 27 April 1920 the Soviet army entered the capital Baku and the Azerbaijan Soviet Socialist Republic (ASSR) was created, which became a part of the Soviet Union (USSR). The first stamps of the ASSR were issued in 1921 and consisted of a set of 15 stamps showing local and political scenes including an oil well and a mosque. Further stamps were issued in 1921 for famine relief and overprints with local control inscriptions in 1922. However the 1923 famine relief stamps of Azerbaijan are bogus, and these were subsequently forged. The republic was periodically recognized in sets of stamps honoring the different parts of the USSR. During the entire Soviet period about 60 stamps with Azerbaijani nationalistic and ethnic topics were issued by the central USSR government itself, featuring prominent figures, buildings, flora, fauna, and other subjects related to Azerbaijan.

Transcaucasian Socialist Federative Soviet Republic: On 12 March 1922, Azerbaijan, Armenia and Georgia were federated as the Transcaucasian Socialist Federative Soviet Republic (TSFSR). Azerbaijani stamps were overprinted first in Azeri currency, then Transcaucasian rubles. Overprinted country-wide Soviet stamps were issued in 1923. From 1 October 1923 ASSR stamps were replaced completely by stamps of the TSFSR which were used until the dissolution of the TSFSR and the second refounding of the Azerbaijan Soviet Socialist Republic (ASSR) in 1936. The stamps of the ASSR were issued again along with the country-wide Soviet stamps which were used until the dissolution of the ASSR and the Soviet Union in 1991.

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RUSSIAN SOCIALIST FEDERAL SOVIET REPUBLIC

After the Russian Revolution in October 1917 the area, previously under Russian Empire control, declared its independence on 27th of May 1918. Russian stamps, which can be identified by their postmarks, continued to be used until new stamps were issued in October 1919.



BAKU 4.10.19 cancel on Russian imperforate block of four 3r.50

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RUSSIAN EMPIRE



1906 (18.5) Picture postcard to Paris franked with 3k and tied by BAKU cds's.

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RUSSIAN EMPIRE



1906 (20.5) 3k postal stationery card to Genoa from the Bishop of Gibraltar tied by **BAKU** dispatch and 9.6 arrival cds's. Also circular 'T' handstamp.



1909 (20.2) 3k. postal stationery card to St. Gallen, Switzerland uprated with 1k. and all tied by **BAKU** dispatch and 12.III arrival date stamps.

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RUSSIAN EMPIRE



1915 (2.11) A censored cover to the Danish Red Cross in Copenhagen franked with 10k and tied by BAKU cds's. Reverse boxed purple No: 402 Russian censor cachet, 8.11 and 10.11 Petrograd transit and 20.11 arrival date stamps.

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DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

1919 (20th October), Chromo-lithographed by the Demidoff Printing Works, Baku

First Printing on white paper with whitish gum. Imperforate

Mint Set



Standard – bearer



Reaper



Baku Citadel



Temple of Eternal Fire

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DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Unused multiples of 10r and 25r



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DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Used Set



Standard – bearer



Reaper



Baku Citadel



Temple of Eternal Fire

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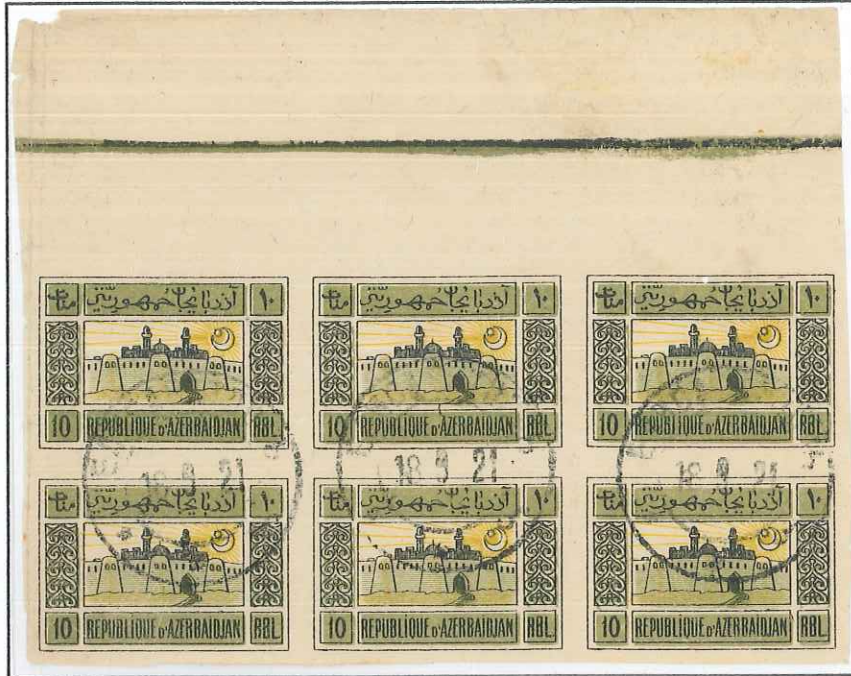
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ELISAVETPOL "b" 20.6.21

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ELISAVETPOL "a" 18.9.21



SHUSHA ELISAV "b" 27.1.20
Nagorny Karabakh usage

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ELISAVETPOL "b" 3.7.21



SHUSHA ELISAV "b" 25.1.20
Nagorny Karabakh usage

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1920 (19.2) Locally used postcard franked with 5r first issue and tied by very rare CHERNI GOR.BAK "a" date stamp.



1921 (12.6) Registered cover to Chernovitz franked on reverse marginal 10r first issue and tied by BAKU "t" and faint 20.6 arrival date stamps.

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1919 (1.12) Registered 'Poste Restante' cover franked with complete set of first printing of the first issue and tied by BAKU "v" cds's. Although philatelic still a very scarce cover.

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1920 (December), Chromo-lithographed by the Demidoff Printing Works, Baku

Second Printing on greyish to buff or brownish paper with yellow gum or no gum. Imperforate

Mint Set



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Unused multiples of 10k with Gutter Variety



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Unused multiples of 40k with rare Gutter Variety and 5r.



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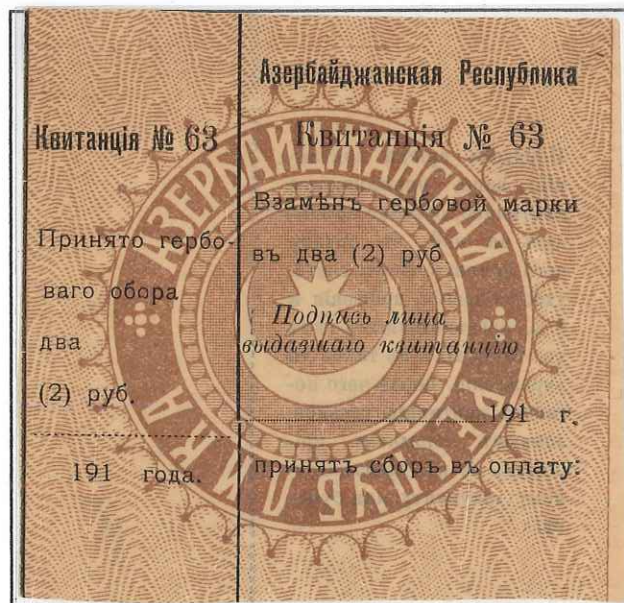
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

1919 PROVISIONALS

Fee Payment Receipts (KVITANTSIA)

These pre-printed receipts were issued in several denominations. The left half of *Kvitantsia* represented the proof of payment; the right part was cancelled and attached to the document, just like a regular fiscal stamp.

Printed in Russian, *kvitantsias* were soon replaced by the triangular fiscal stamps of the Azerbaijan.



2 R.

Left half: 2 R. fee collected / Date / Signature

Right Half: In lieu of the 2 R. fiscal stamp / Date / Signature

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SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

1921 – 22, Chromo-lithographed by the Demidoff Printing Works, Baku

Imperforate, with or without gum

Mint Set



Labour



Oil Well



Bibi Eibtt Oilfield



Khan's Palace



Globe & Workers



Maiden's Tower



Blacksmiths



Goukasoff House



Globe & Workers



Hall of Judgement



Blacksmiths



Hall of Judgement



Bibi Eibtt Oilfield



Minaret of the
Friday Mosque



Goukasoff House
State Museum of Arts

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SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

Complete set of unused multiples



1 Rouble



2 Roubles one with rare Gutter Variety

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5 Roubles



10 Roubles



25 Roubles one with rare Gutter Variety

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25 Roubles corner marginal block of twentyone

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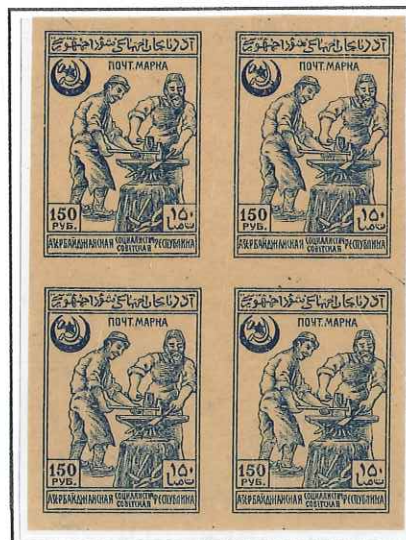
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50 Roubles one with rare Gutter Variety



100 Roubles



150 Roubles

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250 Roubles



400 Roubles



500 Roubles



500 Roubles corner marginal block of ten

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1,000 Roubles



2,000 Roubles



3,000 Roubles. Five stamps in the bottom row inverted, giving tete-beche pairs



5,000 Roubles one with right margin

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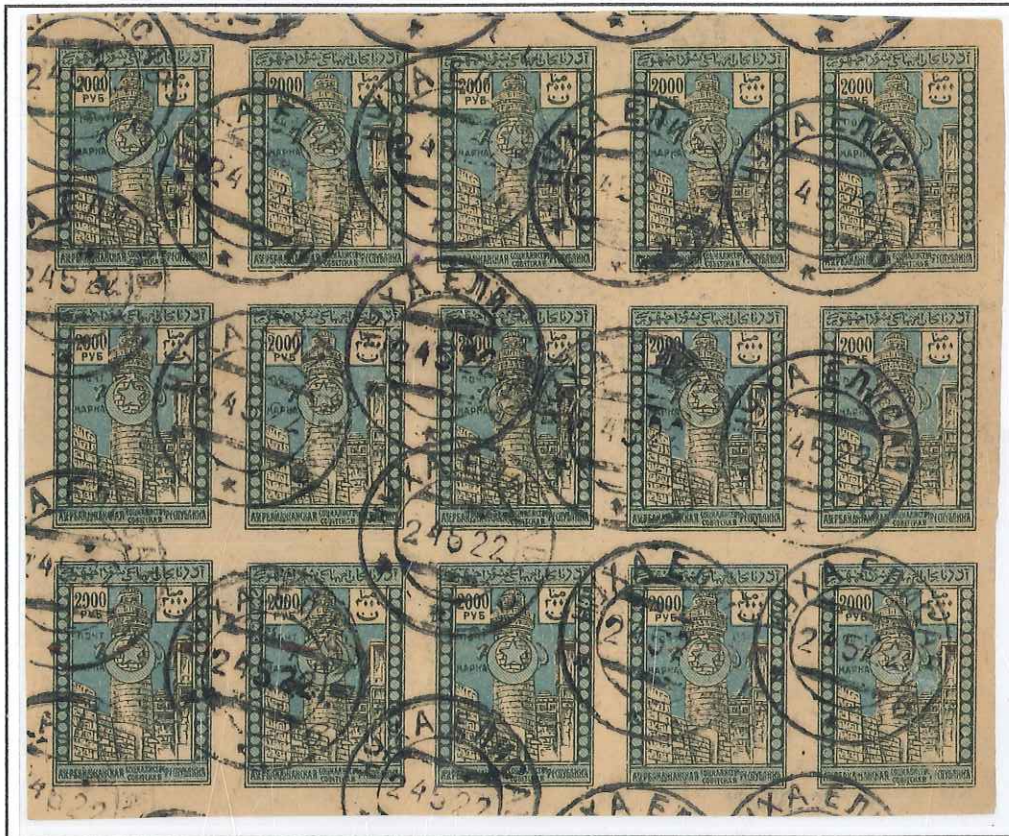
The 1 Rouble to 25 Roubles values issued with surcharges only for postal use.

Used Values



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NUKHA ELISAV "v" 24.6.22

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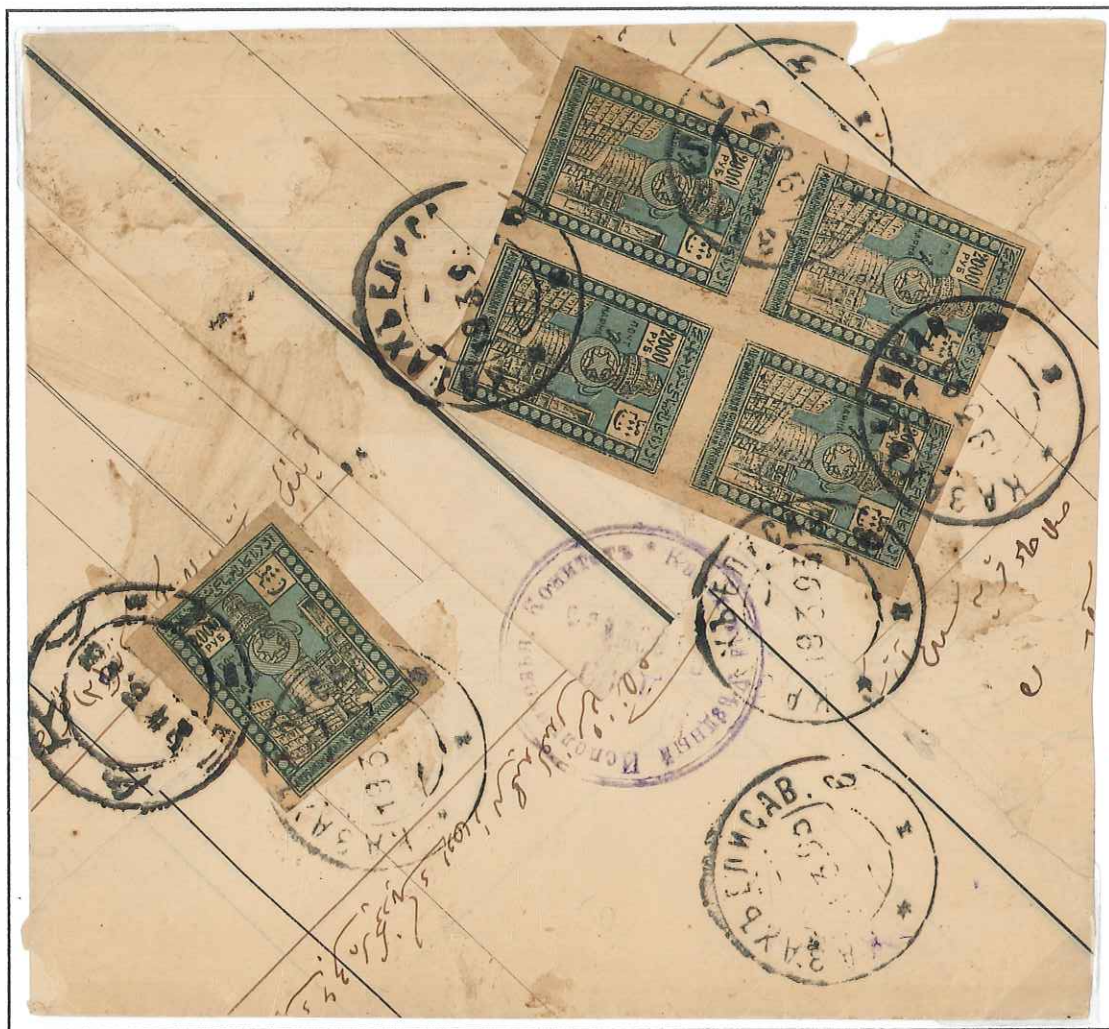
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NUKHA ELISAV "v" 25.4.22
Two blocks of 10 forming a block of 20

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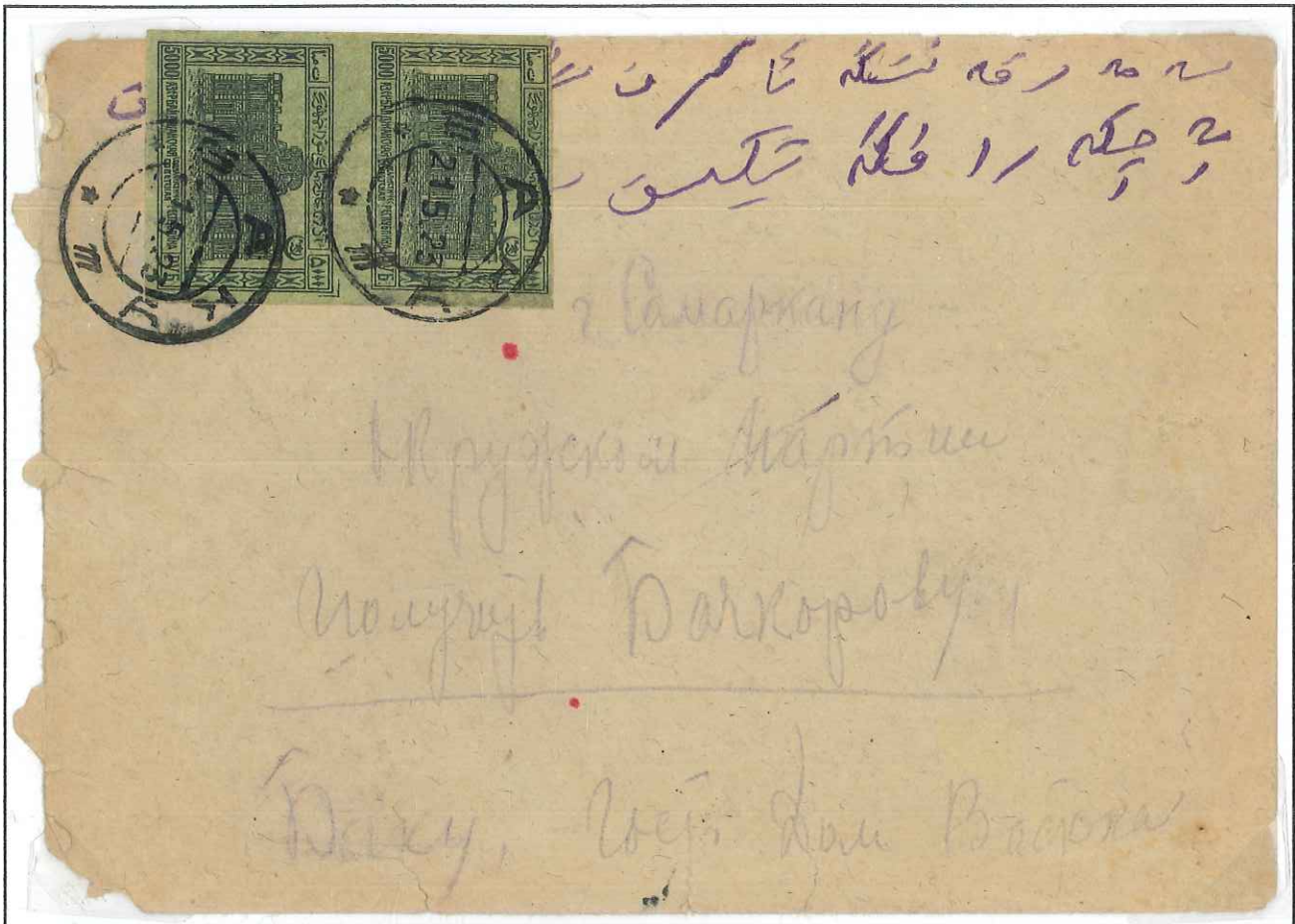
SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC



1923 (19.3) Registered hand made cover from Kazak Elisavetopol to Baku franked on reverse with single and block of four 2000r and tied by KAZAKH ELISAV "b" date stamps alongside Baku 24.3 arrival cds. On front manuscript registration cachet which is not recorded by Ceresa.

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1923 (21.5) cover to Samarkand, Uzbekistan franked with pair of 5,000r and tied by BAKU "m" date stamps. Reverse SAMARKAND 26.5.23 receiver cancel.

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SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

1921 (22 October). Famine Relief. Imperforate newsprint type paper

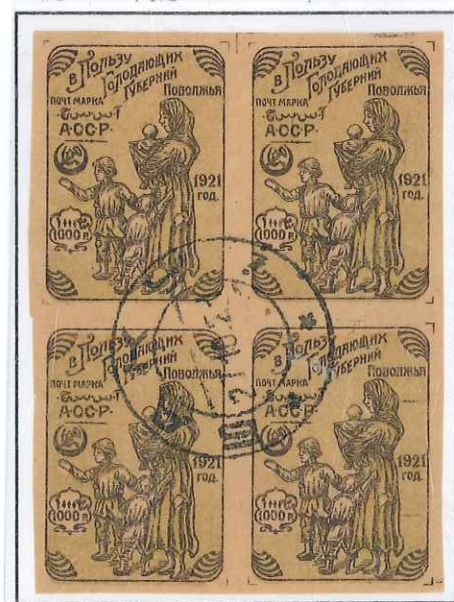
Designed by B. Telingater, chromo-lithographed by the Demidoff Printing Works, Baku



500r. Relief supplies



1000r. Starving family



Cancelled to order blocks of four. BAKU "i" 27.10.21

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Unused Multiples



500 Roubles



Corner marginal block of twenty

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1,000 Roubles



Marginal block of nine

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1922 (15 January – April) The previous definitive issue handstamped with a local control handstamp to do duty at rates several times face value

BAKINSKOI D.K. handstamped diagonally in violet at the main Baku Post Office.



150r. (7,500r.)

mikulski



250r. (33,000r.)



2,000r. (66,000r.)



3,000r. (66,000r.)



400 rouble to act as 17,500 rouble

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5,000r. (70,000r.)



The use of 1r. was unofficial

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YELISAVETPOLSKOI P.T.K. handstamped diagonally in black at Yelisavetpol.



400 roubles to act as 17,500 roubles

BAKINSKOGO G.P.T.O. N1 violet handstamped used at the Baku Post Office No.1.



5,000 roubles used at 15,000 roubles

signed

PRINYATNO (received) violet handstamped used at the Baku Post Office No.2.



150 roubles used at 7,500 roubles

signed

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1922 (20th May). The previous definitive issue hand surcharged in Azerbaijan roubles in black by mechanical enumerator at the Baku Central Post Office

First Enumerator Surcharged Issue

Mint Set



10,000 on 1 Rouble

Signed



15,000 on 5 Roubles



33,000 on 250 Roubles

Signed



50,000 on 3,000 Roubles



66,000 on 2,000 Roubles



70,000 on 5,000 Roubles

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Used values and Multiples



10,000 on 1 Rouble



15,000 on 5 Roubles



33,000 on 250 Roubles

signed



50,000 on 3,000 Roubles



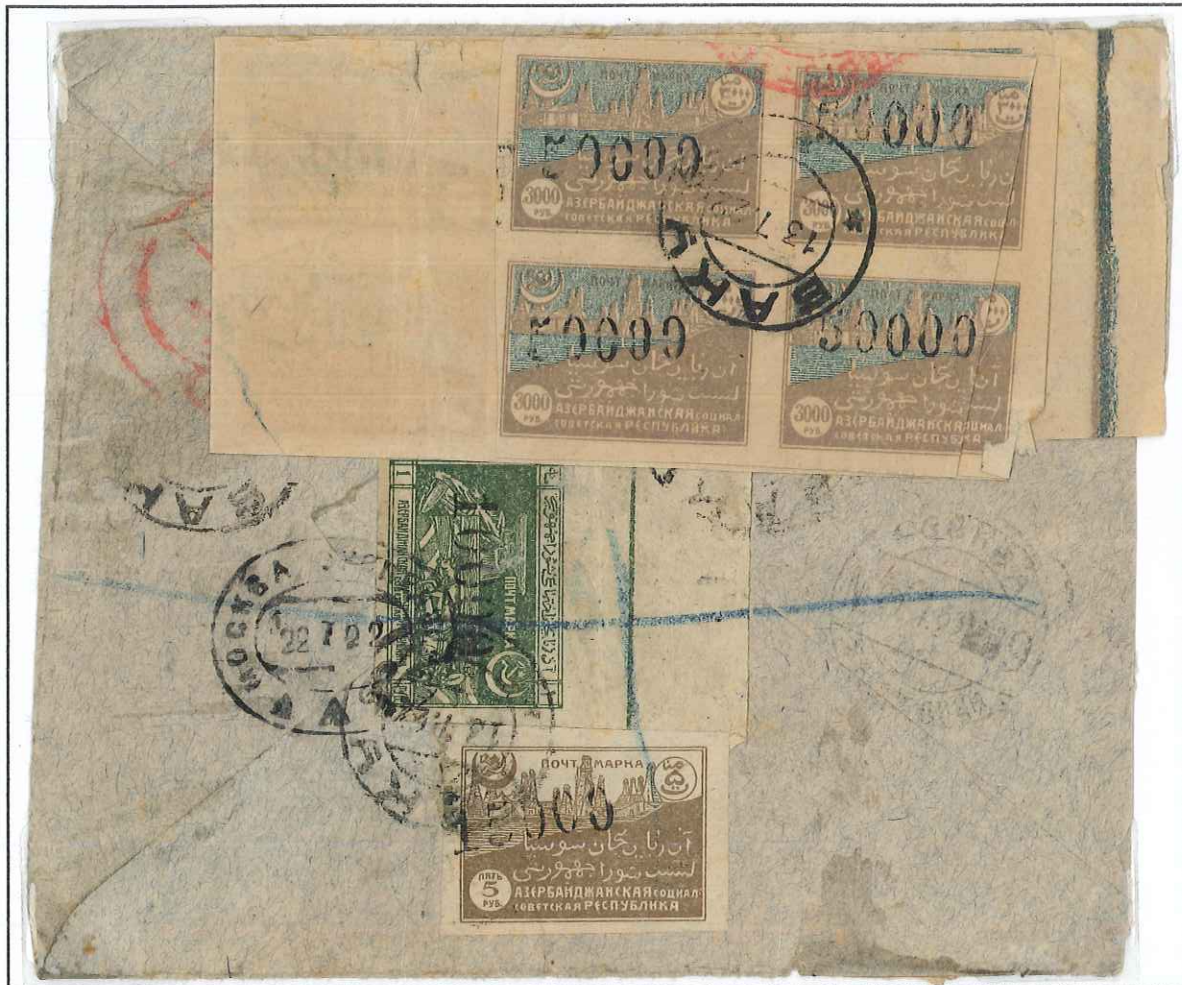
66,000 on 2,000 Roubles



KAZAKH ELISAV "v" 11.1.23 and BAKU receiver. Very late usage of 50,000 on 3,000 Roubles

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1922 (13.7) Registered commercial cover to Birmingham, England franked on reverse with marginal 10,000 on 1r, 15,000 on 5r and left marginal block of sixteen 50,000 on 3,000r first enumerator surcharged issue, all tied by BAKU "d" dispatch, oval 22.7 Moscow Registered transit and 31.7 red hooded London date stamps.

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1922 (24.8) Commercial cover to Moscow franked on reverse with strip of three 33,000 on 250r first enumerator surcharged issue and 1,000r of Soviet Republic definitive issue and all tied by BAKU date stamp alongside Moscow arrival machine cancel. **Rare mix franking.**

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1922 (9.9) Registered cover to Liepaja, Latvia franked on reverse with block of fourteen 50,000 on 3,000r (**inverted**) first enumerator surcharged issue, folded obverse and tied by BAKU "t" dispatch, Moscow transit and 25.IX arrival cds's.

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1922 (11.11) Registered cover to Munich folded and franked on reverse with 20x50,000r and tied by ELENINO ELISAV "b" cds's. Reverse 30.NOV arrival cds. Block of four missing.

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1922 (15th November). The previous definitive issue hand surcharged in Azerbaijan roubles in black by mechanical enumerator at the Baku Central Post Office

Second Enumerator Surcharged Issue

Mint Set



20,000 on 1 Rouble

Signed



50,000 on 5 Roubles



100,000 on 2 Roubles



200,000 on 10 Roubles

Signed Dr. Gerasimov



200,000 on 25 Roubles

Signed



300,000 on 3,000 Roubles

Signed



500,000 on 2,000 Roubles

Signed

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Second Enumerator Surcharged Issue

Used Set



20,000 on 1 Rouble

signed



50,000 on 5 Roubles



100,000 on 2 Roubles



200,000 on 10 Roubles



200,000 on 25 Roubles



300,000 on 3,000 Roubles



500,000 on 2,000 Roubles

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KAZAKH ELISAV "v" 11.1.23 on 200,000 on 10r.



KAZAKH ELISAV "v" 13.2.23 on 500,000 on 2,000r.

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KAZAKH ELISAV "V" 13.2.23

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LENKORAN 10.2.23 on 500,000 on 2,000r and BAKU receiver at top.

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1923 (14.1) Registered cover to Vienna, Austria franked with strip of four 200,000r on 10r second enumerator surcharged issue and two 1,500,000 on 5,000r violet rubber hand stamped surcharged issue and tied by BAKU "b" date stamps. Reverse no postal markings.

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1922 (15th November). The previous definitive issue re-valued with rubber handstamps in black or violet at the Baku Central Post Office



PETROPAVLOSKA BAK. 15.2.23 on 200,000 on 25r in violet
Dr. Ceresa only records a single used copy.



1922 (23.12) Registered cover to Ikryanoe franked on reverse with 200,000 on 25r violet rubber handstamped surcharged issue and 300,000 on 3,000r (800,000 instead of 300,000 error) second enumerator surcharged issue, all tied by BAKU "b" cds's alongside 1.1.23 cds.

certif. date

EXPERTISES DE TIMBRES-POSTE

GUY DU VACHAT

46-47 Passage des Panoramas, 75002 Paris

Certificat N° 2992

Paris, le 02/12/2009

1922. Azerbaïdjan.

Petite lettre recommandée expédiée de Bakou affranchie du timbre de 300r.brun violet et bleu surchargée 300,000 et du 25r. surchargé 200,000 (Yv 69+68) cad Bakou
23.12.22. Rare.

Guy du Vachat

Authentique



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200,000 on 10 Roubles in violet



KAZAKH ELISAV "v" 8.9.23



KAZAKH ELISAV "v" 20.2.23

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200,000 on 10 Roubles in violet



AGDASH ELISAV "a" 10.2.23

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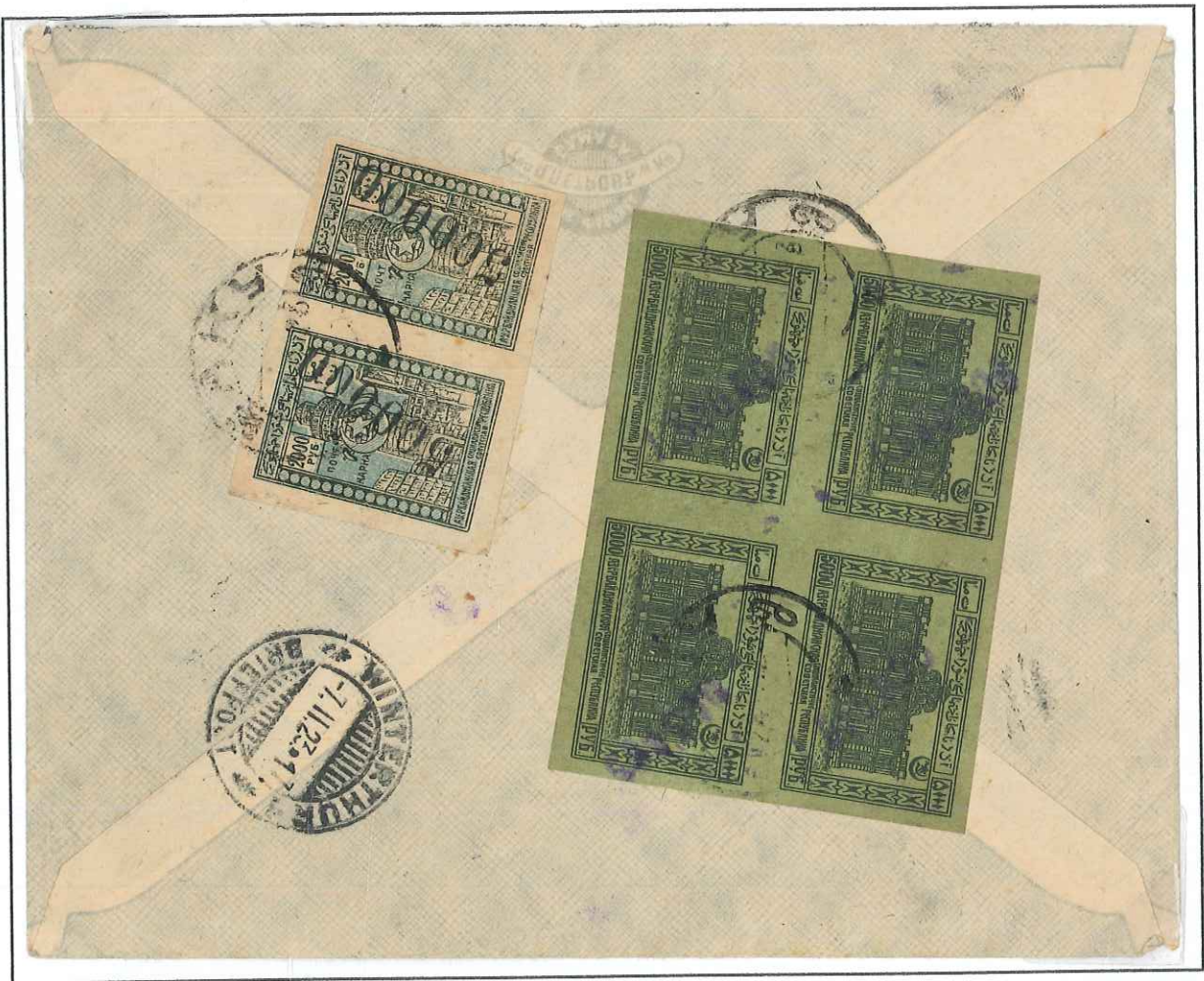
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SHEMAKA "u" 15.11.22 First Day Cancel

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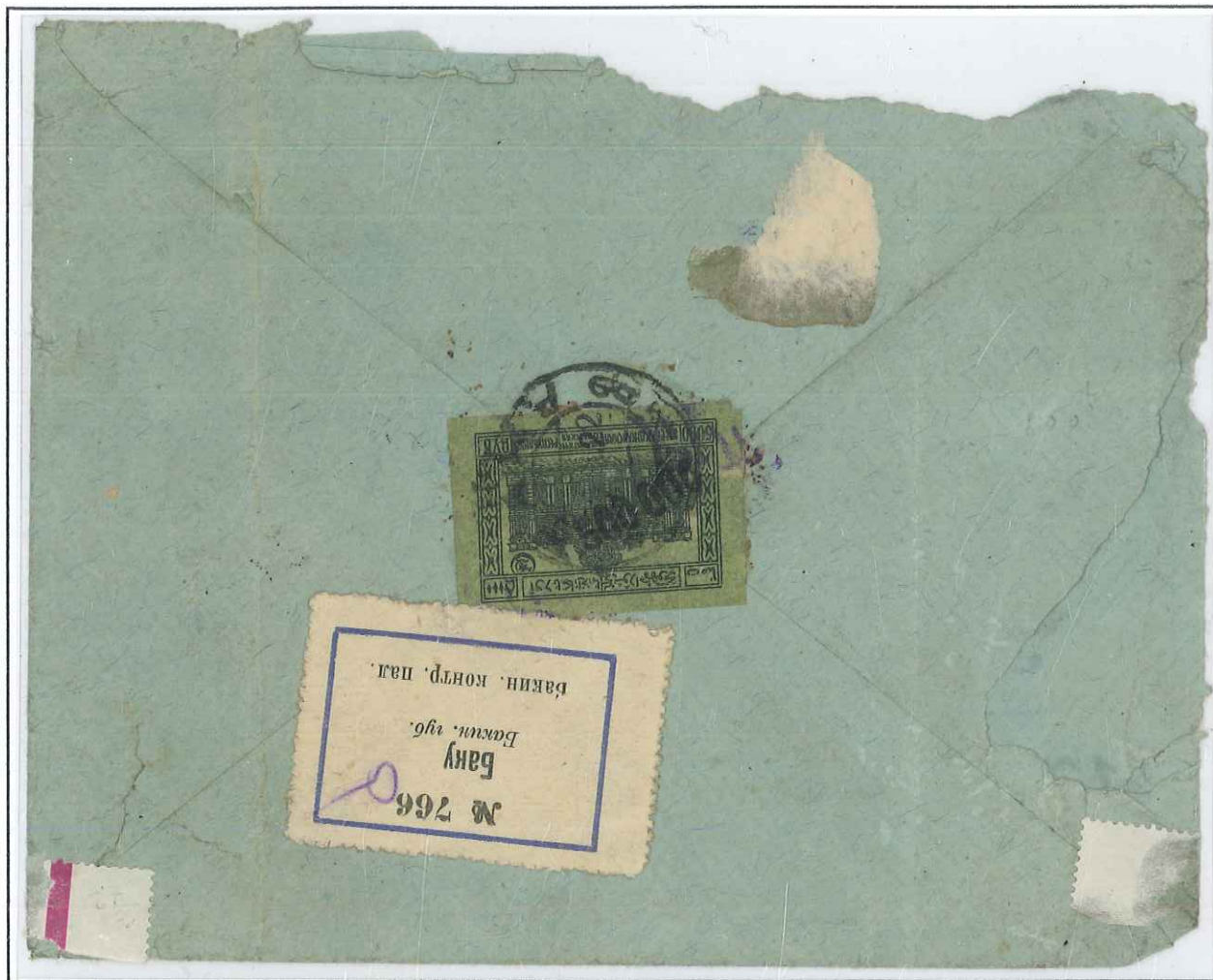
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1923 (24.10) Registered commercial cover to Switzerland franked on reverse with block of four 1,500,000 on 5,000r violet rubber handstamped surcharged issue and pair of 500,000 on 2,000r second enumerator surcharged issue, all tied by BAKU dispatch date stamps alongside WINTERTHUR 7.11 arrival cds.

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1922 (29.11) Registered cover to Paris franked on reverse with 1,500,000 on 5,000r black rubber handstamped surcharged issue and tied by BAKU dispatch date stamp.

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1923 (9th January). The previous definitive issue surcharged in Transcaucasian roubles of the remaining stocks of the 'Soviet Issue' by mechanical enumerator.

(1 Transcaucasian rouble = 100 Azerbaijan roubles)

Mint Values



2,000 on 10 Roubles

signed



5,000 on 2,000 Roubles

signed



15,000 on 5,000 Roubles

signed



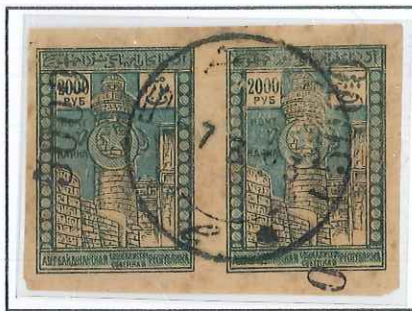
50,000 on 5,000 Roubles

signed

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Used Values



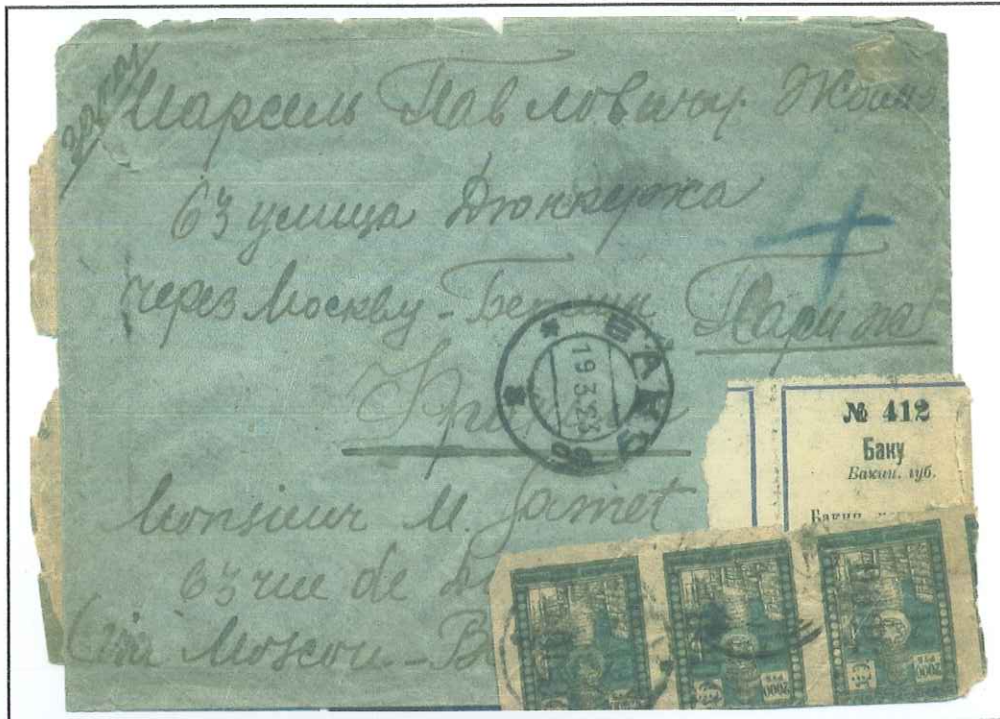
BAKU "e" 7.3.23 – 5,000 on 2,000 Roubles



BAKU "e" 11.3.23 – 15,000 on 5,000 Roubles

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Reduced to 80%



1923 (19.3) Registered cover to Berlin franked on reverse with two block of six 5,000 on 2,000r (one folded to obverse) and corner marginal block of six 15,000 on 5,000r surcharged with enumerator in Transcaucasian Roubles issue and tied by BAKU cds's

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на сумму 25,000,000 руб. коп.

г. Баку

г. Москва

г. Владивосток

№ 8174

Росписка получателя

Означенную на этомъ документъ сумму

191 года.

(число, мѣсяць и годъ)

Подпись:

Никакихъ поправокъ и поворотовъ не допускать.

Службеныя отметки мѣста выдачи.



Reduced to 75%



1923 (12.4) Money Order to Moscow franked on reverse with marginal block of four and single on obverse 5,000 on 2,000r surcharged with enumerator in Transcaucasian Roubles issue and tied by BAKU date stamps alongside Moscow 18.4 arrival cds.

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NAGORNY KARABAKH DISTRICT EMERGENCY USAGE

In April of 1923, in anticipation of the arrival of new Transcaucasian Federation stamps, Central Post Office in Baku have stopped supplying the local offices with overprinted stamps of Azerbaijan. This, combined with constant rate hikes and delays in delivery of new stamps, has created a shortage of high denomination stamps in several post offices. Local postmasters were forced to use the supplies of unoverprinted stamps at hand, selling them at the price of overprinted stamps (e.g. 2,000R stamp sold at 5,000R rate), or by changing the stamp value by hand.



A block of four 2,000R stamp used in NIKOLAEVKA 28.4.23.

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1923 (15th April). The Arms types of Russian stamps handstamped at Tiflis in red or black to do duty at rates several times face value.



Mint Perforated Values



10k/sold at 10,000R



10k on 7k/sold at 10,000R



25k/sold at 25,000R



35k/old at 35,000R



50k/sold at 50,000R

signed

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Used Perforated Values



10k/sold at 10,000R

signed



10k on 7k/old at 10,000R



25k/sold at 25,000R



35k/sold at 35,000R



50k/old at 50,000R



1r/sold at 100,000R

Used Imperforated



1r/sold at 100,000R

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1923 (25.7) Money transfer for 45 million rubles to Baku franked with two blocks of four and a single 50k star overprinted Russian Arms issue sold at 50,000R each and tied by NIKOLAEVKA ELISAV "a" cds's. Reverse 29.7 and 30.7 Baku receiver cancels. Money orders charged at 1% of the value.

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Пришита Почт. марка 1 рубль
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КУДА *2. Ленкорань Бакинской*
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Пришибь.

Никакихъ помарокъ и поправокъ не допускается

1923 (24.5) Money transfer for 15,7 million roubles to Lenkoran franked with two imperforate 1r star overprinted Russian Arms issue sold at 100,000R each and tied by PRISHIB BAK. "b" cds's. Reverse 28.5 LENKORAN BAKIN "v" receiver cancels. Money orders charged at 1% of the value.

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1923 (3.7) Cover to Bielsk Podlaski, Poland franked on reverse with 25k star overprinted Russian Arms issue sold at 25,000R each and red overprinted five 35k sold at 35,000R each, all tied by ELISAVETPOL "g" and 15.VII arrival cds's.

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1923 (2.5) Large piece of registered printed matter Baku Bourse Bulletin reporting exchange rates to Kiev franked with two 10k star overprinted Russian Arms issue sold at 10,000R, 25k sold at 25,000, red overprinted 35k sold at 35,000R and 50k sold at 50,000R each ,all tied by BAKU "t" and 9.5. arrival date stamps. Spectacular four colour franking.

Baku Bourse Bulletin # 91

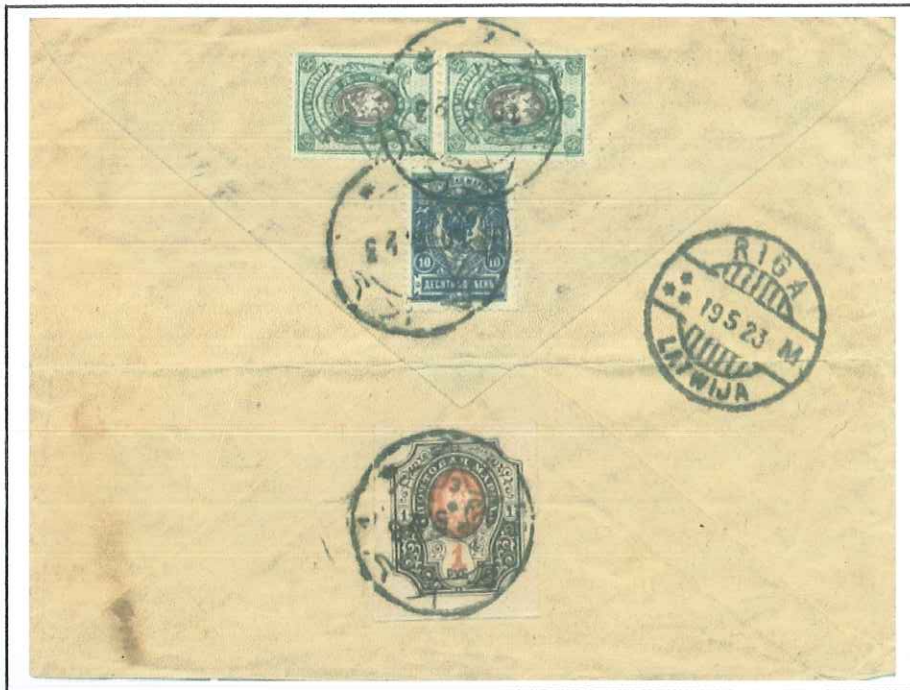
Exchange Rates as of April 25, 1923;

Thousands of Zakdenznaks (Transcaucasian money unit) paid for:

American Dollar:	1666
British Pound:	7497
French Frank:	
Turkish Lira:	1080
Russian Chervonets:	6650

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Reduced to 80%




1923 (10.5) Registered cover to Riga, Latvia franked with two 10k star overprinted Russian Arms issue sold at 10,000R (one on reverse), three 25k sold at 25,000 (pair on reverse), red overprinted 35k sold at 35,000R, 50k sold at 50,000R and two imperforate 1r sold at 100,000R (one on reverse) each, all tied by BAKU "v" dispatch and 19.5. arrival date stamps. Spectacular five colour franking.

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8000


 **переводъ по почтѣ**
НА СУММУ *5,000,000 руб.*
пять миллионов рублей
Зак. Знаками
(Повторить сумму рублей прописью, а копейки цифрами)
ПОДРОБНЫЙ АДРЕСЪ ПОЛУЧАТЕЛЯ;



КОМУ *Анне Чехови*
Ваньему

КУДА *Баку*
Миллионная 21. 2. Пришиба.

Служебныя отлѣтки:

№ 10
Пришибъ *Белл...*




12.5.23


Никакихъ поमारокъ и поправокъ не допускается

1923 (12.5) Money transfer for 5 million roubles to Baku franked with 50k star overprinted Russian Arms issue sold at 50,000R each previously overprinted with Armenian monogram and 1r star overprinted Russian Arms issue sold at 100,000R each, all tied by PRISHIB BAK. "b" cds's. Reverse 15.1 and 21.5 Baku receiver cancels. Scarce mixed franked document.

Signed by Mikulski

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1923 (15th July). Both printing of the first definitive issue of 1919 surcharged in Azerbaijan roubles by mechanical enumerator.

Mint Set



25,000 on 10 kopecks



50,000 on 20 kopecks



75,000 on 40 kopecks



100,000 on 60 kopecks



200,000 on 1 Rouble



300,000 on 2 Roubles



500,000 on 5 Roubles



750,000 on 40 kopecks

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Mint Multiples



50,000 on 20 kopecks corner marginal block of fifteen from 1st printing



200,000 on 1 Rouble corner marginal block of six from 2nd printing

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300,000 on 2 Roubles block of eight from 2nd printing



Marginal block of six one with **double surcharge**

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Used Values



25,000 on 10 kopecks



50,000 on 20 kopecks



75,000 on 40 kopecks



100,000 on 60 kopecks



200,000 on 1 Rouble



300,000 on 2 Roubles

signed

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1923 (13.8) Registered cover to Moscow franked on reverse with pair of 50,000 on 20k and 200,000 on 2r enumerator surcharged first definitive issue of 1919 and tied by BAKU "d" dispatch date stamps alongside 18.8 receiver cancel.

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1923 (5.9) Registered cover to Moscow franked on reverse with block of four 75,000 on 40k enumerator surcharged first definitive issue of 1919 and tied by BAKU "ph" dispatch date stamps alongside 11.9 receiver cancel.

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1923 (27.8) Cover to Moscow franked with 100,000 on 60k enumerator surcharged first definitive issue of 1919 and 5,000r Soviet Republic issue, all tied by BAKU "t" dispatch date stamps. Reverse 30.VIII receiver cancels.

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1923 (14.9) Registered cover to Kiev franked on reverse with 200,000 on 1r and 500,000 on 5r enumerator surcharged first definitive issue of 1919 and tied by BAKU "m" dispatch date stamps alongside 22.9 receiver cancel.

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1923 (15th July). Second printing of the first definitive issue of 1919 surcharged in Azerbaijan roubles by rubber handstamp.

Mint Set



50,000 on 20 kopecks



75,000 on 40 kopecks



100,000 on 60 kopecks



200,000 on 1 Rouble



300,000 on 2 Roubles



500,000 on 5 Roubles

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1923 (15th September). Lithographed at the State Printing Works at Tiflis.

Coarse grey paper with yellowish gum. Perforated 11 ½

Mint Set



A vine, Mount Ararat and oil wells with Republic arms (40,000 to 150,000)



Mount Ararat with rising sun and Mount Elbrus with Republic arms (200,000 to 500,000)

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Reduced to 80%



1923 (13.10) Money order for 101 million roubles to Baku franked with pair of 500,000r (double perf. variety) and 100,000r on reverse, all tied by SHEMAKA "u" date stamps and 13.10 receiver.

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1923 (22.11) Registered commercial cover (slightly reduced) at top to Saratov franked on reverse with pair of 150,000, 200,000 and pair of 500,000 pictorial issue, all tied by BAKU "m" dispatch date stamps alongside 28.11 receiver cancel.

November dated documents for this issue is very rare since on 24th of October new Gold Kopeck value issue introduced. Only few recorded.

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1923 (24th October). Lithographed at the State Printing Works at Tiflis.

Coarse grey paper with yellowish gum. Perforated 11 ½

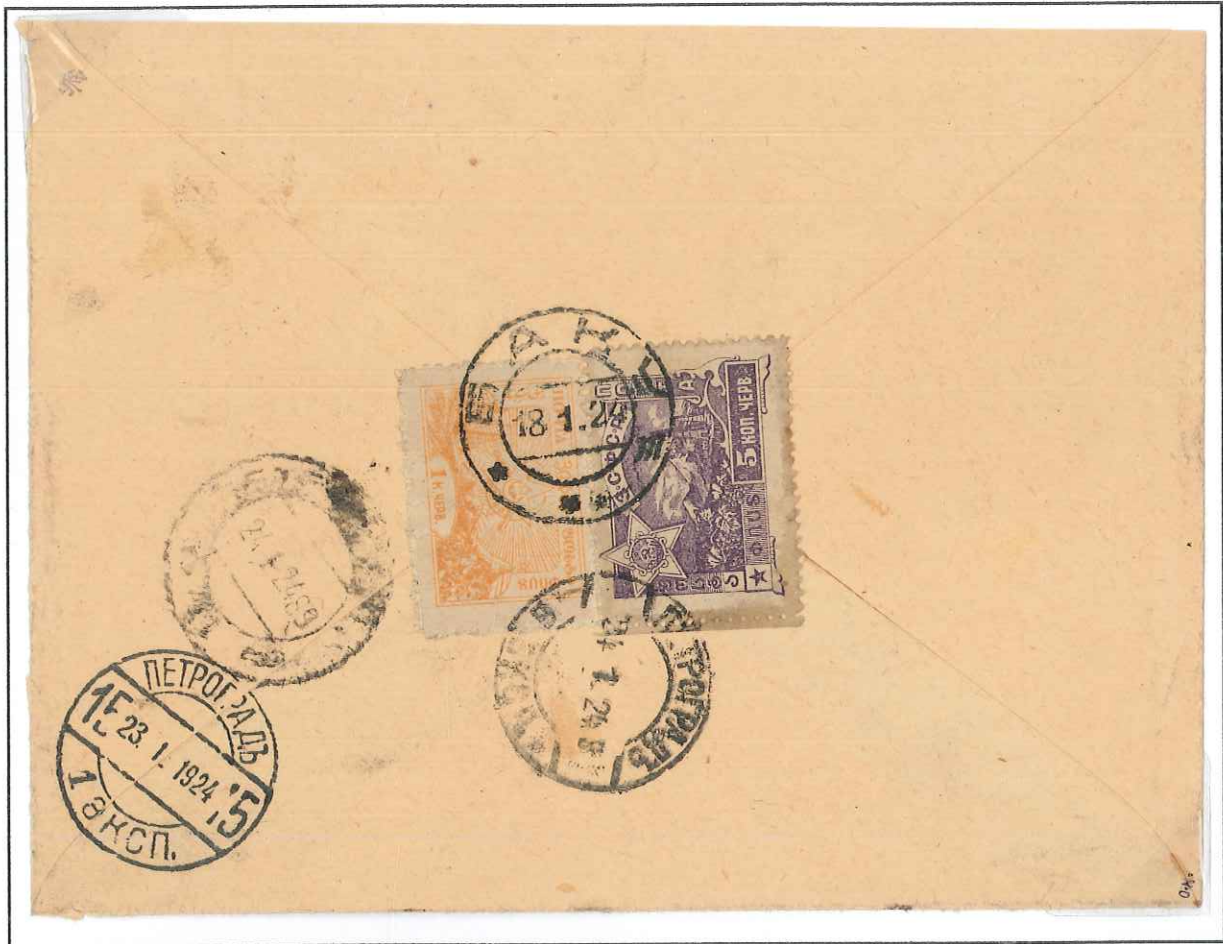
Values changed to Gold Kopecks (chevronetz)

Mint Values



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1924 (18.1) Registered commercial cover to Petrograd (St. Peterburg) franked on reverse with 1k and 5k of new values pictorial issue and tied by BAKU "t" dispatch cds's alongside 23.1 arrival cds. *From 1st of February these stamps become invalid.*

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1924 (21.1) Underfranked cover to New York franked on reverse with 2k and pair of 9k of new values pictorial issue and tied by BAKU "m" dispatch cds's. Obverse by ms. **Chargé**. From 1st of February these stamps become invalid.

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FORGERIES

The first group of forgeries were reasonable copies, but the colours were too bright and the black printing was poor. On gummed paper.



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The second group of forgeries were also reasonable copies, but the colours were much paler and again the black printing was poor. On ungummed white paper.



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In addition to the demand for mint stamps there was also a demand for used copies. A double circle datestamp was produced reading 'BACOU AZERB REPUB' at the Base and an Arabic inscription round the top and dated 19.3.24 across the centre.



A block of four of the forged 1 Rouble stamps with the forged cancellation.

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REPUBLIC d'AZERBAIJAN

FORGERIES

In 1923 a bogus set of pictorial stamps inscribed 'REPUBLIC d'AZERBAIJAN' was introduced. Also reprints of the original set, two sets of forgeries and reprints of the forgeries were made.

Perforated 11 ½



Imperforated

