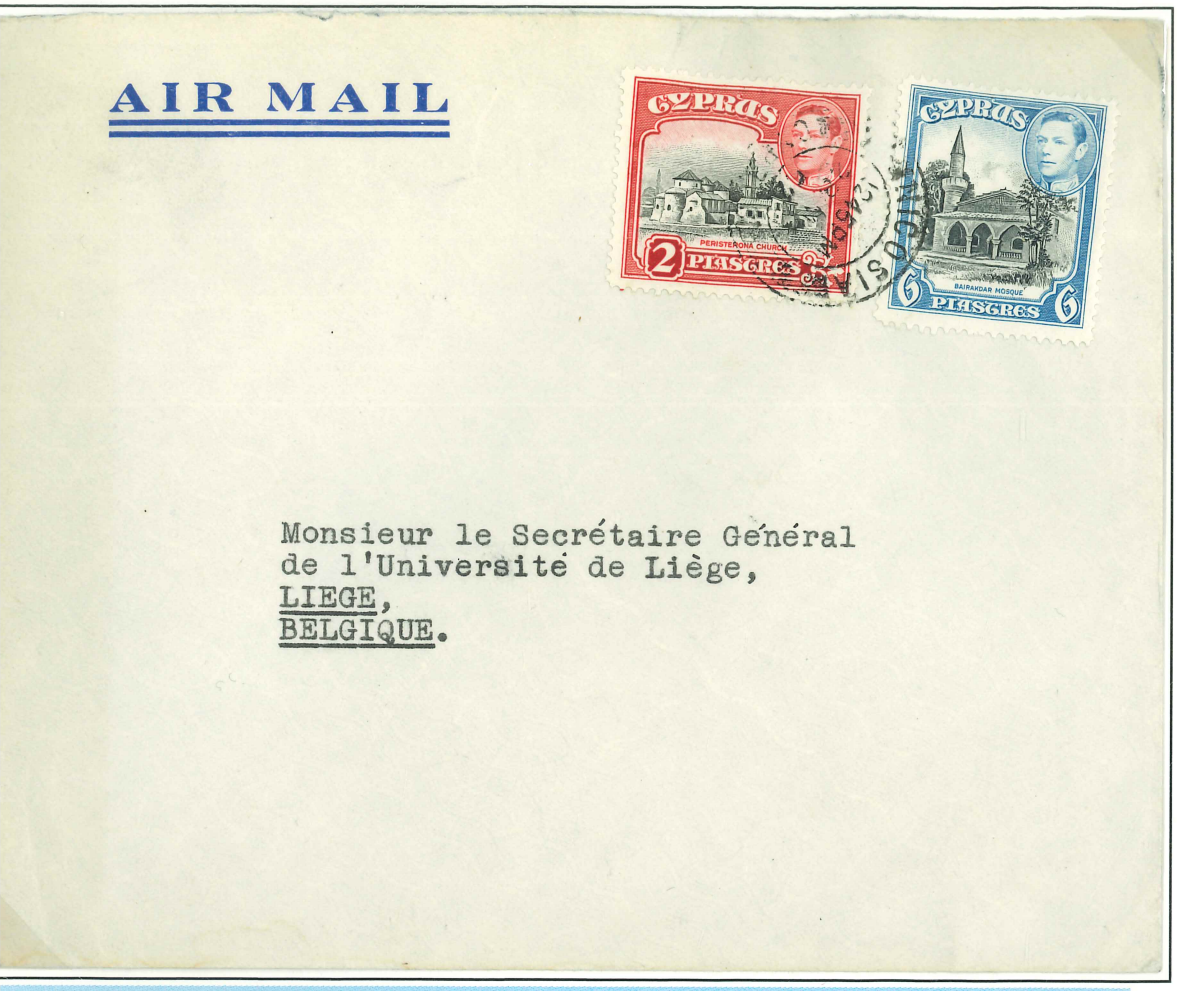
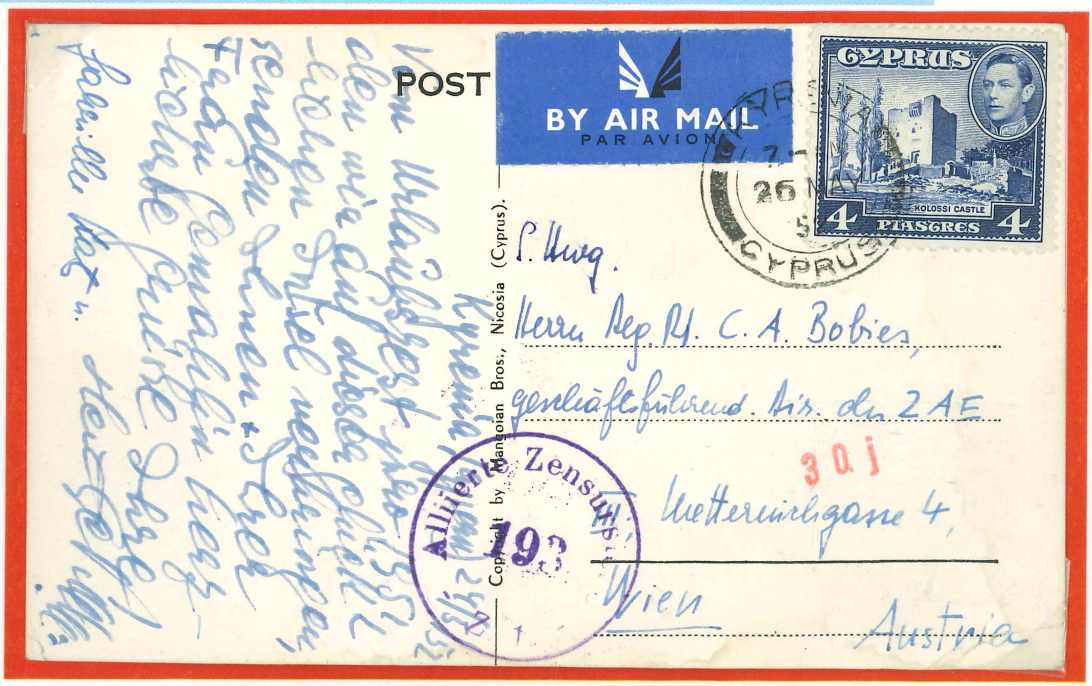
RATE TO BELGIUM 8 Piastres Effective Feb. 20 '52 to Apr. 8 '53



NICOSIA
28 MR 52
(TYPE 19A) TO
LIEGE, BELGIUM

2 pi + 6 pi PAY
THE AIR MAIL RATE

POST CARD RATE TO AUSTRIA 4 Piastres Effective Feb. 20 '52 to Jul. 31 '55



KYRENIA 26 MAY 52 (TYPE 19) TO VIENNA, AUSTRIA

4 pi PAYS THE AIR MAIL RATE FOR POST CARDS

NOTE THE POST OFFICE SUPPLIED MIDDLE BLUE AIR MAIL LABEL AND THE AUSTRIAN CENSORSHIP MARK

POST CARDS ARE GENERALLY AND, SURPRISINGLY, QUITE SCARCE FOR THIS PERIOD

AUSTRIAN CENSORSHIP CONTINUES

RATE TO GERMANY 6 Piastres Effective Oct. 8 '52 to Jul. 31 '55



DOUBLE WEIGHT

LARNACA
25 OCT 52
(TYPE 19) TO
HOLZMARKT,
GERMANY

½ pi + 1 pi + 3 x 1½ pi + 6 pi
PAY DOUBLE
THE AIR MAIL RATE (12 pi)

nd CLASS RATE TO ITALY 2 Piastres Effective Oct. 8 '52 to Dec. 31 '53

LARNACA
10 DEC 52
(TYPE 19) TO
FIRENZE, ITALY

2 pi PAYS
THE SECOND CLASS
AIR MAIL RATE

NOTE THE DIFFERENT
STYLE PRE-PRINTED
MIDDLE BLUE



EXAMPLES OF SECOND CLASS MAIL ARE VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND. USED PRIMARILY FOR COMMERCIAL MAIL, IT APPEARS THAT FEW WERE SAVED.

RATE TO AUSTRIA 8 Piastres Effective Feb. 20. '52 to July 31 '55 REGISTERED EUROPE (LRZ)



NICOSIA 23 OC 53 (TYPE 12A LATE) TO WIEN 1, AUSTRIA
2 x 6 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (8 pi) PLUS THE REGISTRATION FEE (4 pi). NOTE THE REGISTRATION LABEL TYPE C3B), AND THE PRE-PRINTED DARK BLUE AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

RATE TO BELGIUM 7 Piastres Effective Apr. 9 '53 to July 31 '55

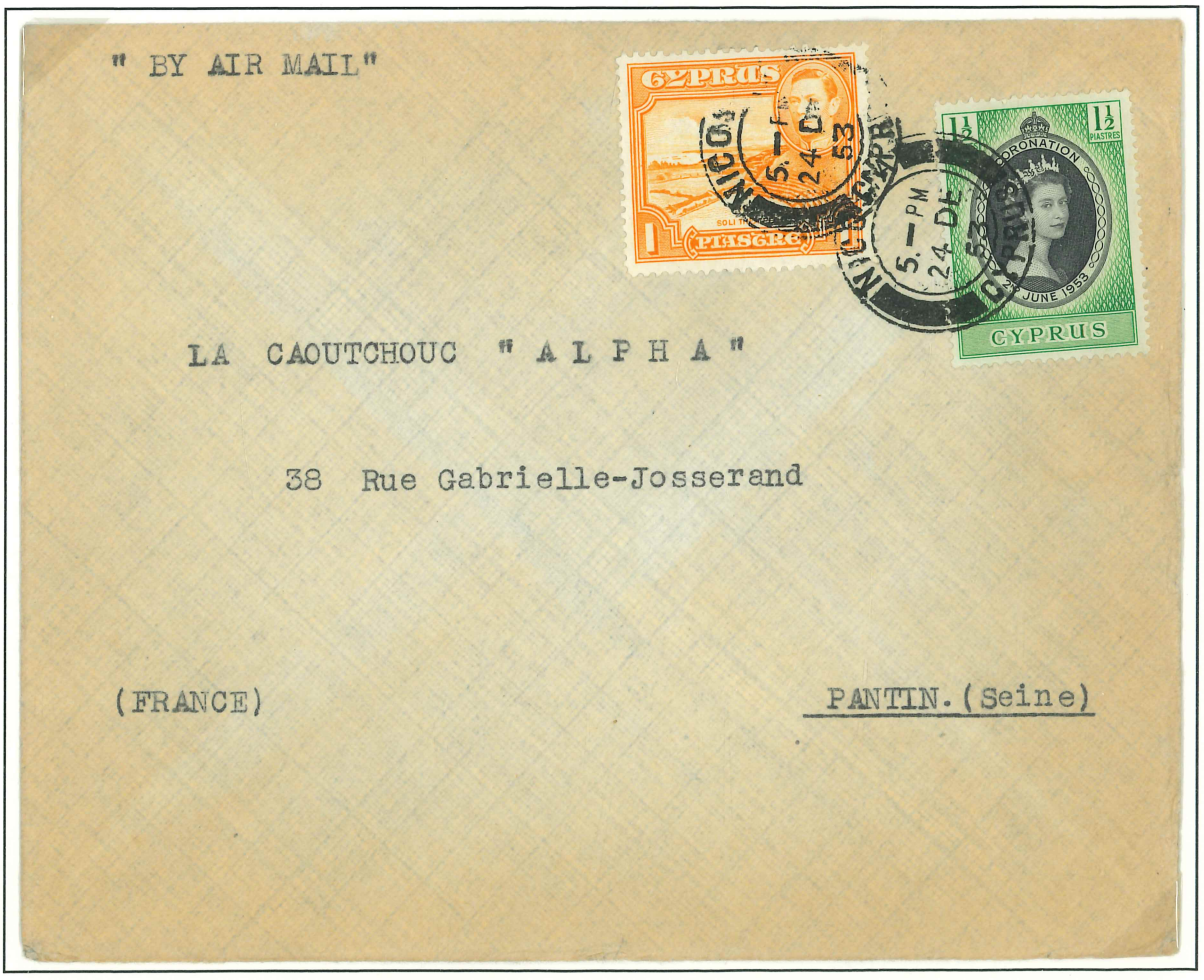


NICOSIA 18 NO 53 (TYPE 19B) TO KAPELLE-OP-DEN-BOS, BELGIUM
1 pi + 6 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (7 pi)



LARNACA 21 NOV 53 (TYPE 19) TO KREFELD, WESTERN GERMANY
1 pi + 2 x 1½ pi CORONATION ISSUE + 2 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (6 pi)
NOTE THE PRE-PRINTED DARK BLUE AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

2nd. CLASS RATE TO FRANCE 2 Piastres Effective Oct. 8. 9 '52 to July 31 '55



NICOSIA 24 DE 53 (TYPE 19A) TO PANTIN, FRANCE
1 pi + 1½ pi CORONATION ISSUE OVERPAY THE SECOND CLASS AIR MAIL RATE BY ½ pi

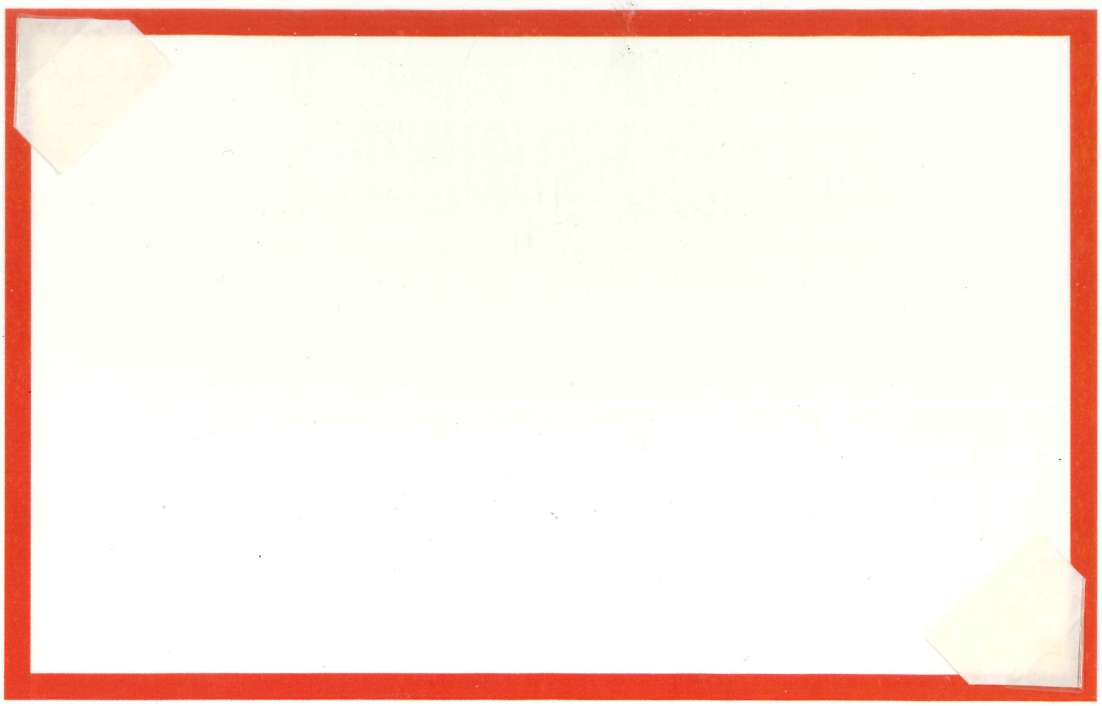
TRIPLE
WEIGHT



FAMAGUSTA
23 AP 54
(TYPE 19B)
TO
LUEBECK-TRAVEMUENDE, GERMANY

2 x ¼ pi + ½ pi + 1 pi + 1½ pi
+ 2 pi + 4½ pi + 9 pi
OVERPAY TRIPLE THE
AIR MAIL RATE (18 pi)
BY 1 pi

VERY SCARCE UP-RATED POSTAL STATIONERY POST CARD



NICOSIA S-B. O. 27 SEP 54 (TYPE 19C) TO OBER HEIERMARK, AUSTRIA

2 pi ADDED TO 2 pi POSTAL STATIONERY POST CARD (I & P 29)
COMBINE TO PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE FOR POST CARDS (4 pi)

NOTE THE POST OFFICE SUPPLIED MEDIUM BLUE AIR MAIL LABEL

IN GENERAL, POSTAL STATIONERY POST CARDS HAVEN'T SURVIVED IN ANY GREAT QUANTITIES, AND ONES THAT HAVE BEEN UPRATED WITH DEFINITIVES SEEM TO BE EVEN MORE DIFFICULT TO LOCATE.

DOUBLE WEIGHT REGISTERED



LARNACA 27 SEP 54 (TYPE 12A EARLY) TO MILANO, ITALY

4 pi + 2 x 6 pi PAY DOUBLE THE AIR MAIL RATE (12 pi) PLUS THE REGISTRATION FEE (4 pi)

NOTE THE PRE-PRINTED MEDIUM BLUE AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

2nd CLASS RATE TO GERMANY 2 Piastres Effective Jan. 1 '54 to Jul. 31 '55

PAPHOS

19 DEC 54
(TYPE 19) TO

HANNOVER, WESTERN GERMANY

2 pi PAYS
THE SECOND CLASS
AIR MAIL RATE

NOTE THE PRE-PRINTED
MEDIUM BLUE
AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THE SCARCE SECOND CLASS AIR MAIL USAGE, THIS TIME GOING TO GERMANY.



QUESTIONABLE USE OF CUT-OUT

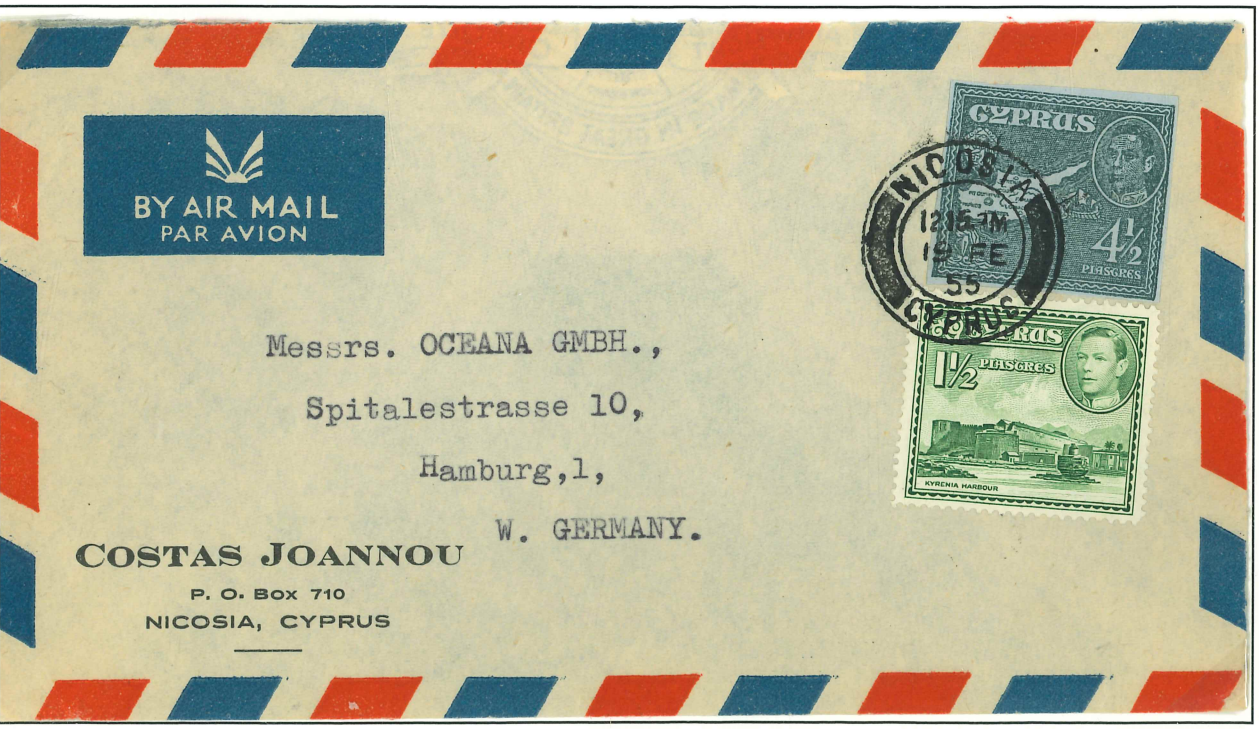
NICOSIA

19 FE 55
(TYPE 19A) TO

HAMBURG, 1, GERMANY

1½ pi + 4½ pi
AEROGRAM CUT-OUT PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (6 pi)
NOTE THE PRE-PRINTED DEEP BLUE AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

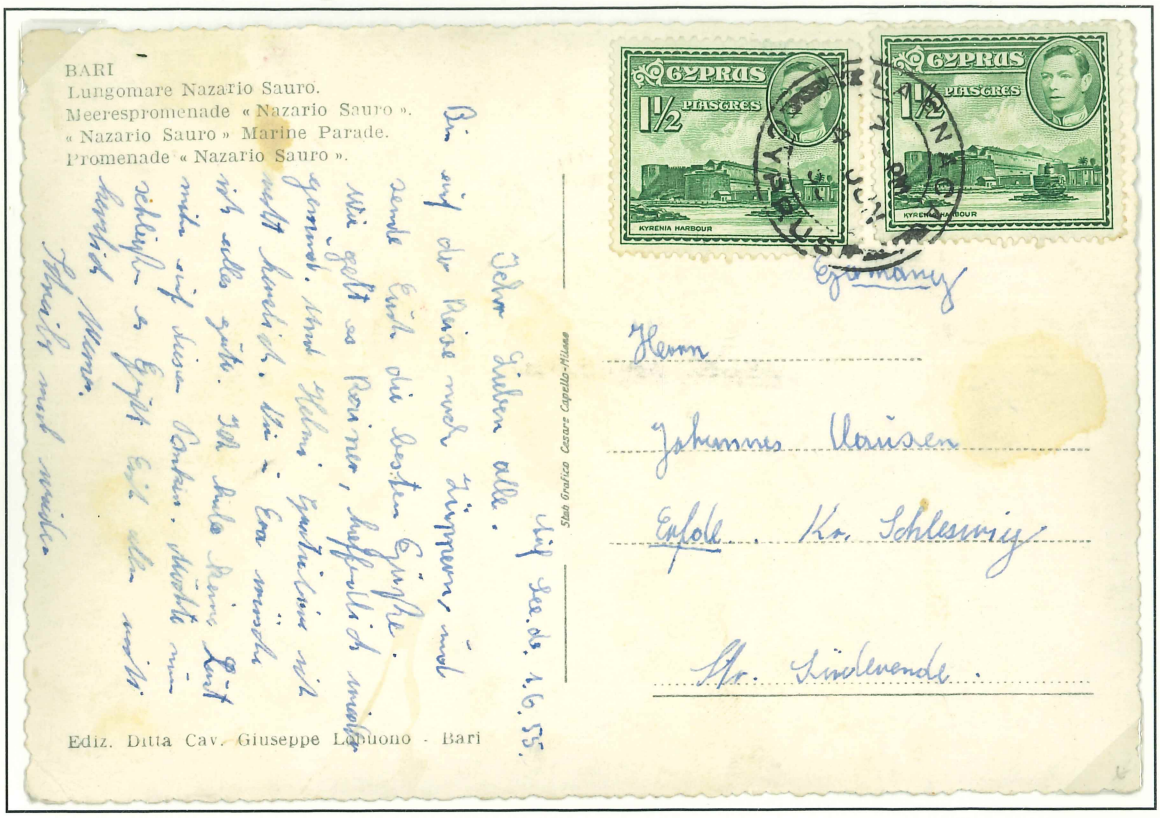
OBSERVED VERY RARELY, CUT-OUTS FROM POSTAL STATIONERY APPARENTLY WERE ACCEPTED FOR REGULAR POSTAGE ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO INDICATION IN THE RECORDS TO INDICATE THEIR USE WAS SANCTIONED.



POST CARD RATE TO GERMANY 3 Piastres Effective Oct. 8 '52 to Jul. 31 '55

LARNACA
4 JUN 55
(TYPE 19) TO
HAMBURG, 1, GERMANY

2 x 1½ pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE FOR POST CARDS



RATES DENOMINATED IN NEW CURRENCY INTRODUCED

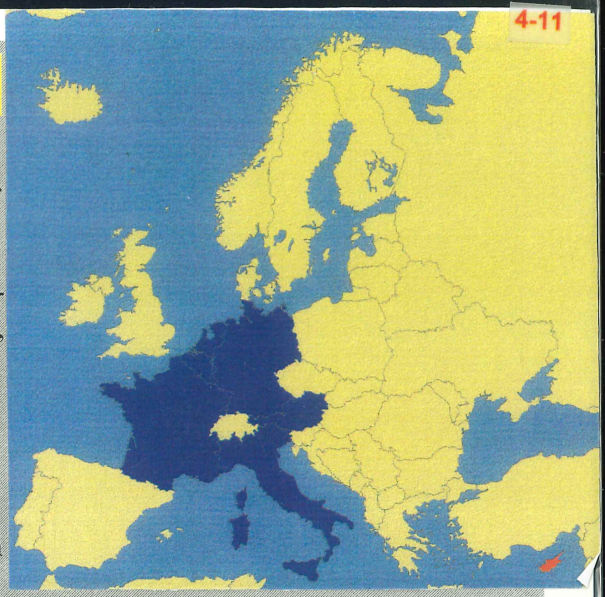
RATE TO GERMANY 35 Mils Effective August 1 1955



NICOSIA 18 JUN 56 (TYPE 19A) TO **FRANKFURT AM MAIN, GERMANY**
½ pi +2 pi + 4 pi PAY THE DECIMAL EQUIVALENT AIR MAIL RATE (35 mils)
NOTE THE PRE-PRINTED DULL BLUE AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

QUEEN ELIZABETH II DEFINITIVES WERE ISSUED ON AUGUST 1, 1955 TO COINCIDE WITH THE MOVE TO DECIMAL CURRENCY, BUT GEORGE VI ISSUES CONTINUED IN USE FOR SOME TIME AFTER THAT.

MAIL TO LOWER RATES ZONE - EUROPE (LRZ)



During the initial period of limited Air Mail service to those countries of Europe which enjoyed that privilege, rates for all destinations were the same. At first, the charge consisted of an additional fee over the regular surface mail rate. Then in late 1938, a specific Air Mail rate was introduced (4½ Piastres), and increased to 13½ Piastres in 1939, for eligible European destinations. World War II saw air service essentially eliminated for Europe. Then, through a study of covers in the collection and a review of Air Mail Rate Tables for the period, this exhibitor has recognized a post-war pattern of lower rates for a certain group of countries. These have been lumped together and the exhibitor has designated them "LOWER RATES ZONE - EUROPE", and while all of these countries didn't necessarily enjoy exactly the same rates at any particular time, there was a consistency which set them apart from other European destinations. Their close geographic positioning as outlined in deep blue, on the map to the right, accessibility, together with generally more active commercial trade might determine why more favourable rates were accorded these countries. Countries in this zone are: Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Holland, Luxembourg and Italy. Other European countries are dealt with in a subsequent area of this exhibit. As explained in previous segments, initially, air mail letters were sent via ship to Egypt for loading on flights out of that area, and then out of Nicosia via B. O. A. C. direct to London for connection to other areas.

RATE TO GERMANY 4½ Piastres Effective Nov. 4 '38 to Oct. 24 '39

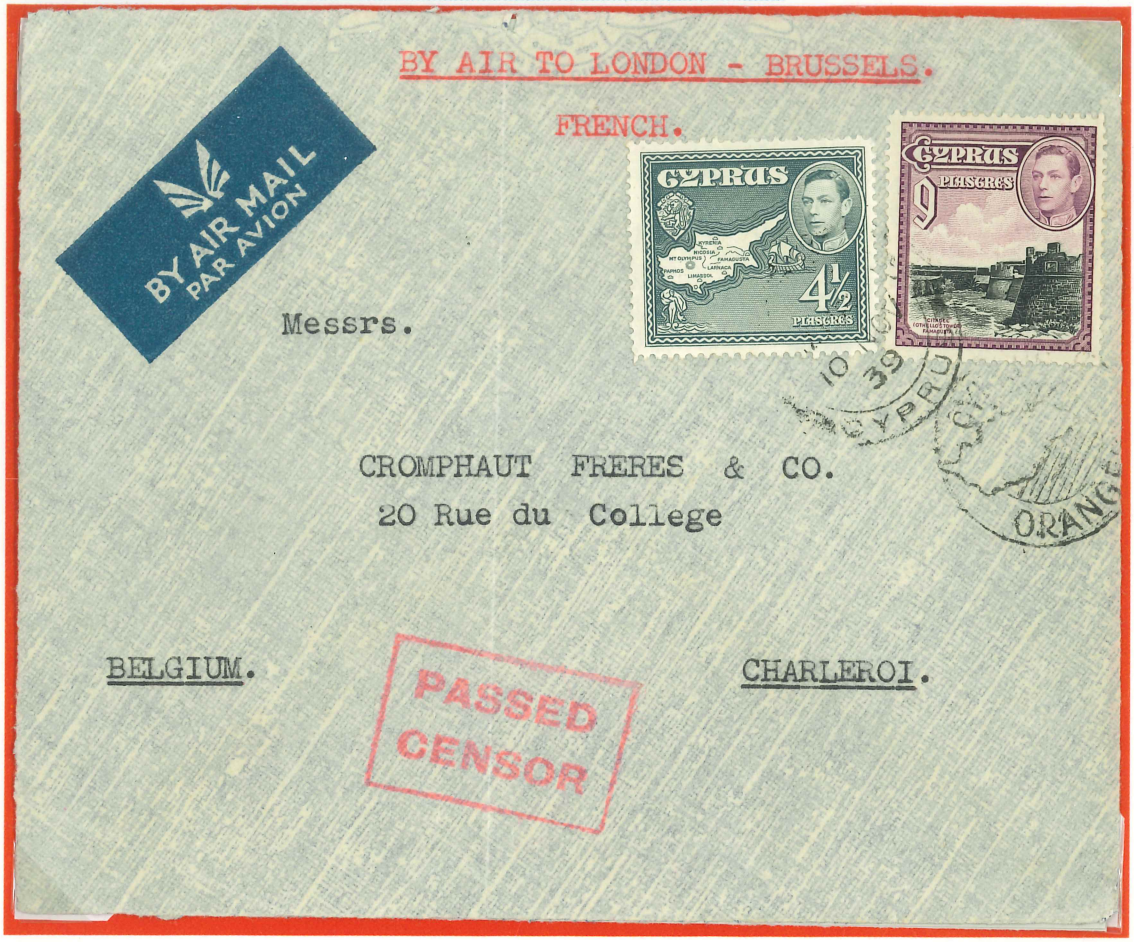


NICOSIA 24 MAR 39 (TYPE 19) TO ESCHWEGE, GERMANY

4½ pi PAYS THE AIR MAIL RATE (4½ pi).

NOTE THE "VISIT CYPRUS" PUBLICITY HANDSTAMP (TYPE V-2) AND THE POST OFFICE SUPLIED VIOLET BLUE AIR MAIL LABEL. THE REVERSE SHOWS A FAMAGUSTA 25 MR 39 (TYPE 5) TRANSIT MARK

RATE TO BELGIUM 13½ Piastres Effective Oct. 25 '39 to Mar. 5 '40



TROODOS 10 NOV 39 (TYPE 19) TO **CHARLEROI, BELGIUM**

4½ pi + 9 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (13½ pi). NOTE THE BOXED "PASSED CENSOR" (TYPE C-1 LARGE), THE "CYPRUS ORANGES" PUBLICITY HAND STAMP (TYPE O-1) AND THE PREPRINTED MEDIUM BLUE AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

COVERS FROM THIS SOMEWHAT SHORT PERIOD ARE VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND.
THE TYPEWRITTEN "BY AIR TO LONDON—BRUSSELS" INDICATED THE PREFERRED ROUTING.

RATE TO FRANCE 14 Piastres Effective Mar. 26 '45 to Feb. 3 '46

EARLY POST-WAR EXAMPLE

NICOSIA
7 DE 45 (TYPE 19A) TO
PARIS, 15 FRANCE

½ pi + 4½ pi + 9 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (14 pi).

NOTE THE POST OFFICE SUPPLIED VIOLET BLUE AIR MAIL LABEL



EUROPE (LRZ)

RATE TO FRANCE
13 Piastres Effective
Feb. 4 '46 to June 29 '46

RELATIVELY SHORT-LIVED RATE

LARNACA
8 FEB 46 (TYPE 19) TO
GRASSE, FRANCE

1 pi + HOR. PAIR x 9 pi
PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE
(13 pi).

NOTE THE POST OFFICE SUPLIED VIOLET BLUE AIR MAIL LABEL

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LARNACA/ Cyprus.

BY AIR MAIL
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GRASSE (Alp.Mmes)
" FRANCE"



RATE TO BELGIUM
4 Piastres Effective
eb. 4 '46 to July 29 '46

DOUBLE WEIGHT

LARNACA
1 JU 46 (TYPE 19) TO
CHARLEROI, BELGIUM.

1 pi + 3 x 3 pi + 2 x 9 pi
AY DOUBLE THE AIR MAIL
RATE (28 pi).
AIR MAIL RATE (28 pi).



THE PHOTOCOPIED FRONT SHOWS
PRE-PRINTED BLUE AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

RATE TO ITALY 11 Piastres (Assumed) Effective Feb. 4 '46 to Dec. 31 '46

LARNACA
30 NO 46 (TYPE 19) TO
MILANO, ITALY

2 pi + 9 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (11 pi)

THE REVERSE SHOWS A MILANO MACHINE CANCEL 8 XII 46 AS RECEIVER

RATES TO ITALY ARE A SOURCE OF MUCH CONFUSION. ON MAR. 6, 1940, A RATE OF 5 pi WAS INTRODUCED. THE NEXT POSTED RATE WAS FOR 6 pi ON OCT. 10, 1951. THIS EXHIBIT SHOWS SEVERAL EXAMPLES DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE TWO DATES, AND ASSUMED RATES RELATIVE TO SIMILAR DESTINATIONS ARE USED.



RATE TO AUSTRIA 14 Piastres Effective Feb. 4 '46 to June 24 '48



MILITARY CENSORSHIP

LIMASSOL
20 JAN 47
(TYPE 19) TO
VIENNA, AUSTRIA

½ pi + 4½ pi + 9 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE

NOTE THE AUSTRIAN CENSORSHIP MARK AND RESEALING TAPE

FOLLOWING WORLD II THE ALLIES OCCUPIED AUSTRIA, AND USED CENSORSHIP TO CHECK, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WHETHER ANY NAZI SYMPATHIZERS MIGHT BE ACTIVE

RATE TO ITALY 14 Piastres (Assumed) Effective Jan. 1 '47 to Jan. 31 '47

LARNACA
28 JAN 47
(TYPE 19) TO
MILANO, ITALY

½ pi + 4½ pi + 9 pi
PAY AIR MAIL RATE

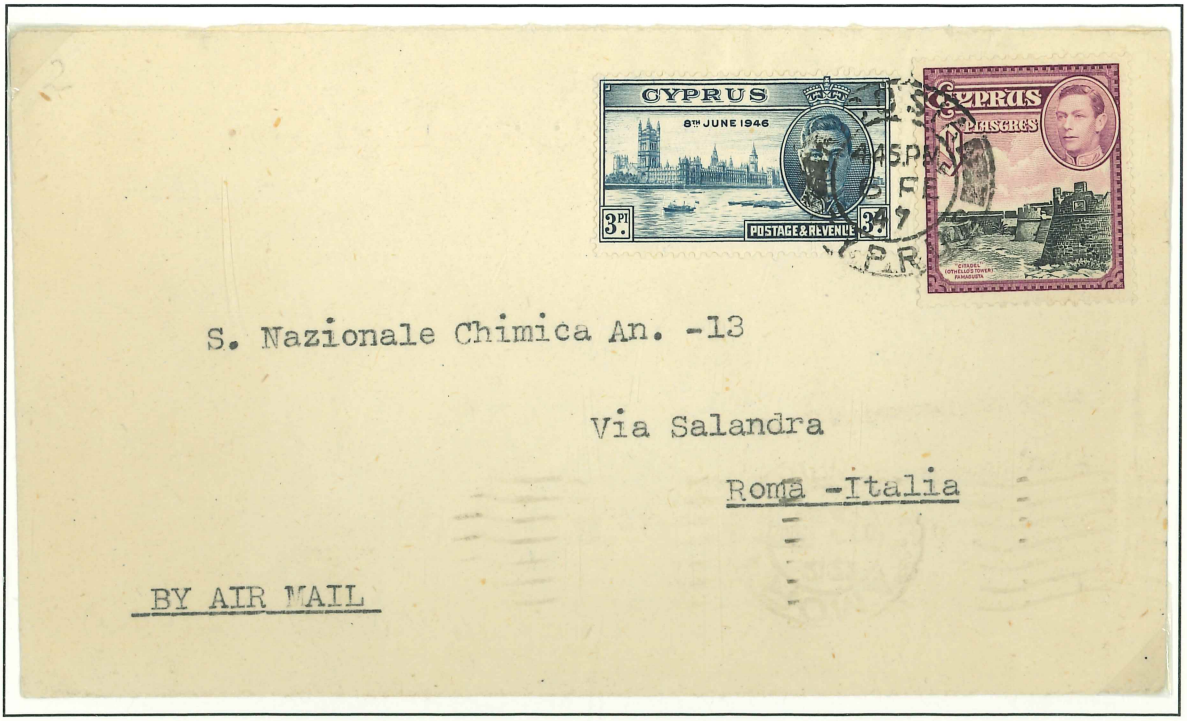
NOTE
MANUSCRIPT
"TO LONDON"
DENOTING ROUTING
THROUGH LONDON

THE REVERSE SHOWS A
6 – 2 – 1947
MILANO ARRIVAL
MACHINE CANCEL
AS RECEIVER



RATE TO ITALY 12 Piastres (Assumed) Effective Feb. 1 '47 to Oct. 11 '51

MIXED FRANKING



NICOSIA 6 FE 47 (TYPE 19B) TO ROMA, ITALIA

3 pi PEACE ISSUE+ 9 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (12 pi)

THE REVERSE SHOWS A ROMA 12 – II – 1947 MACHINE CANCEL AS RECEIVER

RATE TO HOLLAND 15 Piastres Effective Feb. 4 '46 to June 24 '48



PAPHOS
16 JUN 47
(TYPE 19) TO
THE HAGUE, HOLLAND

4½ pi + 9 pi
UNDERPAY THE AIR MAIL RATE BY 1½ pi

THE UNDERPAYMENT IS QUITE POSSIBLY DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE PREVIOUS PUBLISHED RATE TO EUROPEAN AREAS WAS 13½ pi (FROM JULY 20, 1944)

RATE TO FRANCE 12 Piastres Effective Jun. 30 '46 to Apr. 19 '49



NICOSIA
16 JY 47
(TYPE 19B)
TO
PUY-de-DOME, FRANCE

3 pi + 9 pi
PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE
(12 pi)

NOTE THE RUBBER STAMP IMPRESSIONPROMOTING THE USE OF ESPERANTO AS A UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE,AND THE MANUSCRIPT " BY AIR MAIL"

RATE TO BELGIUM 13 Piastres Effective Apr. 11 '47 to June 24 '48



FAMAGUSTA
7 NOV 47
(TYPE 19)
TO
ANVERS, BELGIUM

1 pi + 3 pi + 9 pi
PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE
(13 pi)

NOTE THE DARK BLUE
POST OFFICE SUPPLIED
AIR MAIL LABEL

RATE TO GERMANY 9 Piastres Effective June 25 '48 to Apr. 19 '49



REGISTERED

FAMAGUSTA
26 AUG 48
(LATE TYPE 12A) TO
ANDERHACH, BRITISH ZONE, GERMANY

3 pi + 9 pi PAY
THE AIR MAIL RATE (9 pi)
PLUS REGISTRATION (3 pi)

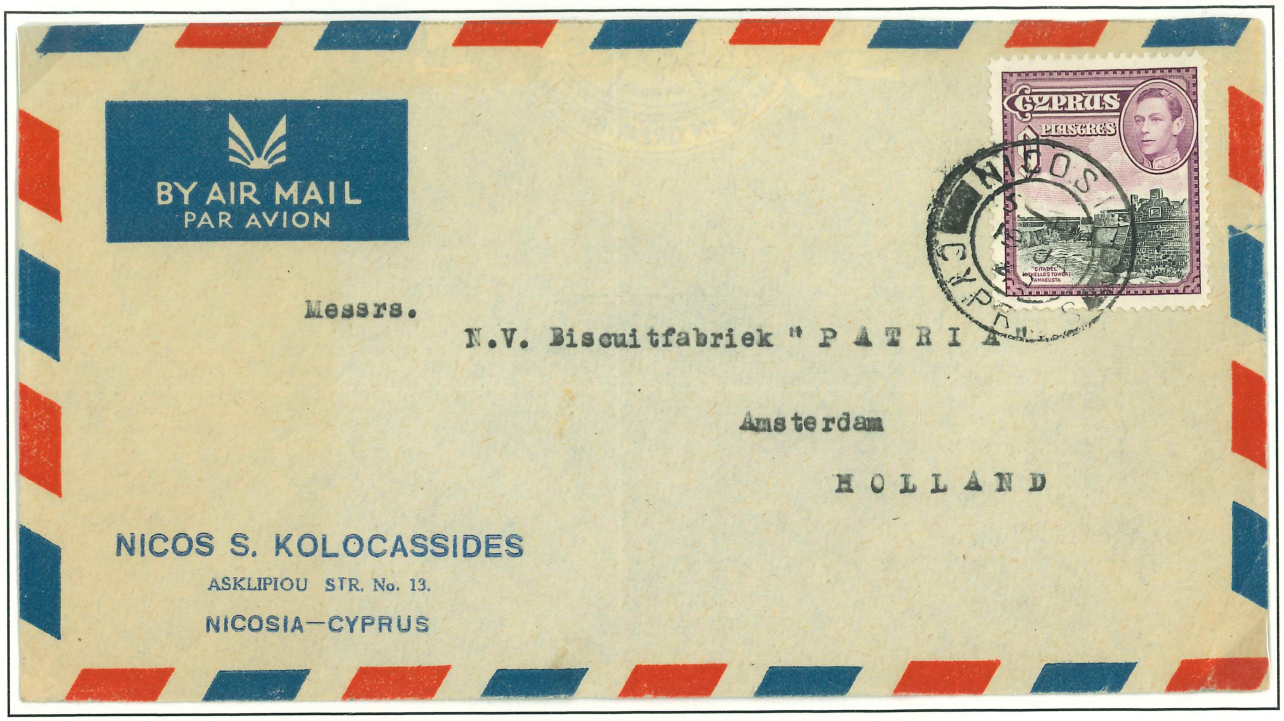
NOTE ANDERHACH –3 9. 48.



REDUCED PHOTOCOPY OF THE FRONT SHOWS REGISTRATION LABEL (TYPE CO1) AND P. O. SUPPLIED DARK BLUE AIR MAIL LABEL

THE REGISTRATION LABEL SHOWING ONLY THE CITY OF FAMAGUSTA (WITHOUT "CYPRUS") IS SAID TO BE ONE OF ONLY TWO REPORTED ON GEORGE VI MAIL

RATE TO HOLLAND 9 Piastres Effective June 25 '48 to Jan. 31 '50



NICOSIA 19 JA 49 (TYPE 19B) TO AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND
9 pi PAYS THE AIR MAIL RATE (9 pi)

RATE TO AUSTRIA 7 Piastres Effective April 20 '49 to Feb. 19,'52

MIXED FRANKING



LARNACA
12 NOV 49
(TYPE 19) TO
WIEN, AUSTRIA

½ pi + 2 pi UPU +
4½ pi PAY
THE AIR MAIL RATE

NOTE AUSTRIAN
CIVIL CENSOR'S MARK
AND MIDDLE BLUE
POST OFFICE SUPPLIED
AIR MAIL LABEL

ILLUSTRATING
POST-WAR CIVIL
CENSORSHIP OF MAIL
ENTERING AUSTRIA

EUROPE (LRZ)

RATE TO GERMANY
7 Piastres Effective
Apr. 20 '49 to Oct. 7 '52



PAPHOS
28 JAN 50
(TYPE 19) TO
ESSEN, GERMANY

1 pi + 6 pi PAY
THE AIR MAIL RATE

NOTE THE POST OFFICE
SUPPLIED MIDDLE BLUE
AIR MAIL LABEL

RATE TO FRANCE
6 Piastres Effective April
20 '49 to Jul. 31 '55

REGISTERED TRIPLE WEIGHT

THE REDUCED PHOTOCOPY
OF THE FRONT SHOWS
REGISTRATION
LABEL (TYPE C3A-1) AND
P. O. SUPPLIED MIDDLE BLUE
AIR MAIL LABEL



FAMAGUSTA 29 SEP 49 (TYPE 12A LATE) TO **PARIS, FRANCE**
2 x 3 pi + 2 x 4½ pi + 6 pi PAY THE TRIPLE AIR MAIL RATE (18 pi)
PLUS REGISTRATON FEE (3 pi) NOTE THE PARIS AND RUE DANION RECEIVERS

RATE TO BELGIUM
7 Piastres Effective
Apr. 20 '49 to Feb. 19 '52

REGISTERED
DOUBLE
WEIGHT



LIMASSOL
14 MAR 50
(TYPE 12A EARLY)
TO
LIEGE, BELGIUM

2 pi + 6 pi + 9 pi
PAY DOUBLE THE
AIR MAIL RATE (14 pi)
PLUS THE
REGISTRATION FEE (3 pi)

NOTE THE
REGISTRATION LABEL
(TYPE C3)
AND THE POST OFFICE
SUPPLIED MIDDLE BLUE
AIR MAIL LABEL

RATE TO HOLLAND 7 Piastres Effective Feb. 1 '50 to Feb. 19 '52



NICOSIA 6 JU 50 (TYPE 19A) TO AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND

1 pi + 6 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE
NOTE THE PRE-PRINTED MIDDLE BLUE AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

RATE TO ITALY 6 Piastres Effective Feb. 1 '50 to Jul. 31 '55

DOUBLE WEIGHT



NICOSIA 24 JY 50 (TYPE 19A) TO GENOA, 314, ITALY

3 pi + 9 pi PAY DOUBLE THE AIR MAIL RATE (12 pi)
NOTE THAT THE UNDERLINED AIR MAIL INSTRUCTION IS PRE-PRINTED ON THE ENVELOPE



FAMAGUSTA 11 AUG 50 (TYPE 19) TO BERLIN—HALENSEE, GERMANY

2 pi + 6 pi + 9 pi + 18 pi PAY FIVE TIMES THE AIR MAIL RATE (35 pi)

NOTE THE POST OFFICE SUPPLIED MEDIUM BLUE AIR MAIL LABEL

AN UNUSUALLY HEAVY MAILING

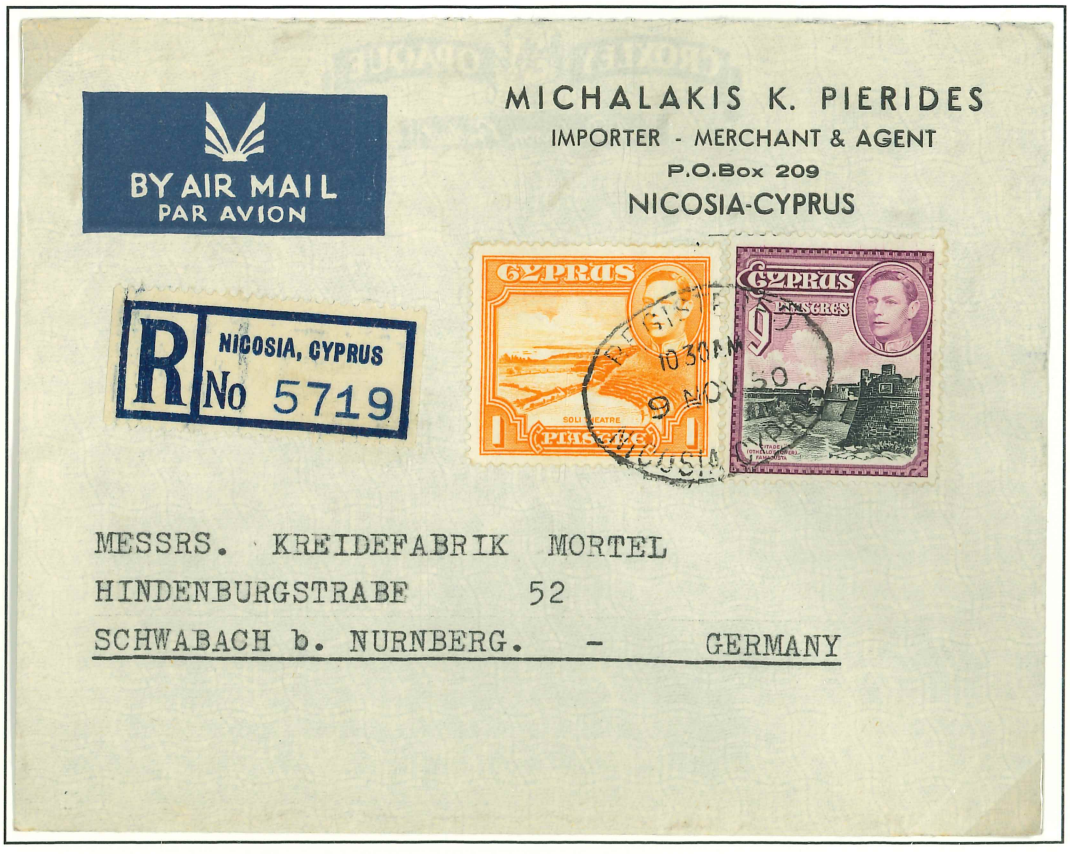
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NICOSIA
9 NOV 50
(TYPE 12A LATE) TO
SCHWABACH b. NURNBERG, GERMANY

1 pi + 9 pi PAY
THE AIR MAIL RATE (7 pi)
PLUS THE
REGISTRATION FEE (3 pi)

NOTE THE PRE-PRINTED
DARK BLUE
AIR MAIL VIGNETTE

THE REVERSE SHOWS A
SCHWABACH 14.11.50
RECEIVER




CYPRUS
2 PIASTRES
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BY AIR MAIL
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PER LUGPOS
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Gand
de Smet de Nayer 39
Jette (Bruxelles)
BELGIQUE
MB

REGISTRATION FEE RISES TO 4 PIASTRES – TWO REGISTERED COVERS



LIMASSOL 30 JUL 51 (TYPE 12A EARLY) TO GENOVA, ITALY

1 pi + 9 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (6 pi) PLUS REGISTRATION (4 pi) NOTE THE REGISTRATION LABEL (TYPE C1A) THE REVERSE SHOW A ROME TRANSIT MARK AND A GENOVA RECEIVER BOTH DATED 4.8.51

THERE IS CONSIDERABLE QUESTIONING AS TO THE PRECISE DATE THAT THE RISE IN THE REGISTRATION FEE FROM 3 PIASTRES TO 4 PIASTRES CAME INTO EFFECT. THIS EXHIBITOR HAS AN EXAMPLE OF THE 3 Pi RATE IN USE ON 19 JAN 51, AND OF THE 4 Pi RATE IN USE ON 30 MAR 51. IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE CORRECT ANSWER WOULD HAVE BEEN BETWEEN THOSE TWO DATES.

LIMASSOL

14 NOV 51
(TYPE 12A EARLY) TO

AMSTERDAM-C, HOLLAND

5 x 1 pi + 6 pi PAY THE AIR MAIL RATE (7 pi) PLUS THE REGISTRATION FEE (4 pi)

NOTE REGISTRATION LABEL (TYPE C1) AND POST OFFICE SUPPLIED MIDDLE BLUE AIR MAIL LABEL

