## Special Stamp Issue - "Year of the Monkey" on 16 January 2016

The special stamps on "Year of the Monkey", Heartwarming Stamps (2016 Version) "Year of the Monkey" mini-panes and "Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals Ram/Monkey" are designed by Mr. KAN Tai-keung. These special stamps and the Silk Stamp Sheetlet are printed in lithography while the $\$ 10$ Stamp Sheetlet is printed in lithography plus hot foil stamping and the mini-panes are printed in lithography plus embossing with spot varnishing. The special stamps, the $\$ 10$ Stamp Sheetlet, the Silk Stamp Sheetlet and the mini-panes are printed by Joh. Enschede B.V. of the Netherlands. The "Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals - Ram/Monkey" is printed in lithography, with silver hot foil stamping and 22-carat gold-plated lace metal, by Cartor Security Printing of France.

## Sales Arrangements

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below: -

| Products Available From <br> 2 January 2016 | Unit Selling <br> Price | Maximum Purchase <br> Quantity Per Queuing <br> Customer |
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| "Year of the Monkey" Special Stamps |  |  |
| First Day Cover <br> (available at all post offices until 16 <br> January 2016) | $\$ 1.2$ | No restriction |


| First Day Cover (Prestige Version) | $\$ 8$ | No restriction |
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| (available at all philatelic offices until |  |  |
| 16 January 2016) |  |  |
| "Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals - Ram/Monkey" |  |  |
| Souvenir Cover |  |  |
| (available at all post offices until 16 | $\$ 1.2$ | No restriction |
| January 2016) |  |  |
| Souvenir Cover (Prestige Version) | $\$ 8$ | No restriction |
| (available at all philatelic offices until |  |  |
| 16 January 2016) |  |  |


| Products Available From 16 January 2016 | Unit Selling <br> Price | Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer on the First Day of Issue |
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| "Year of the Monkey" Special Stamps |  |  |
| Mint Stamps <br> (a set of 4 designs of stamps) <br> (available at all post offices from 16 <br> January 2016) | \$13.3 | 5 sheets of each denomination <br> (viz. 125 stamps of each denomination) |
| Stamp Sheetlet <br> (containing a $\$ 10$ stamp) | \$10 | 10 sheets |


| (available at all post offices from 16 January 2016) |  |  |
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| Silk Stamp Sheetlet (containing a $\$ 50$ stamp, with a complimentary envelope) (available at all post offices from 16 January 2016) | \$50 | 10 sheets |
| Presentation Pack <br> (containing a set of four stamps and a $\$ 10$ <br> Stamp Sheetlet) <br> (available at all post offices from 16 <br> January 2016) | \$40 | Five packs |
| Postage Prepaid Lunar New Year Greeting Cards (Air Mail) <br> (containing a set of four cards) <br> (available at all philatelic offices from 16 <br> January 2016) | \$40 / set | Five sets |
| Red Packets <br> (A pack of 20 pieces with 4 designs) (available at the General Post Office, Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Tsuen Wan Post Office, Sha Tin Central Post Office and Tuen Mun Central Post Office, as | \$18/pack | 5 packs |


| well as Hongkong Post's Internet |  |  |
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| Shopping Mall - 'ShopThruPost'" |  |  |
| (www.shopthrupost.hk) from 16 January |  |  |
| 2016, while stock lasts) |  |  |
| Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a | $\$ 17$ |  |
| set of four stamps and date-stamped with |  |  |
| the special postmark |  |  |
| (available at all philatelic offices only on |  |  |
| 16 January 2016) |  |  |
| Sersion) affixed with a \$10 Stamp covers |  |  |
| Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special |  |  |
| Version) affixed with a set of four stamps |  |  |
| and date-stamped with the special |  |  |
| postmark |  |  |
| (available at all philatelic offices only on |  |  |
| 16 January 2016) |  |  |
| Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a |  |  |
| \$10 Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with |  |  |
| (available at all philatelic offices only on |  |  |


| postmark <br> (available at all philatelic offices only on <br> 16 January 2016) |  |  |
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| Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a Silk Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark (available at all philatelic offices only on 16 January 2016) | \$53.7 | Five covers |
| Serviced First Day Cover (Prestige Version) affixed with a Silk Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark (available at all philatelic offices only on 16 January 2016) | \$60.5 | Five covers |
| "Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals - Ram/Monkey" |  |  |
| Stamp Sheetlet <br> (with a set of two $\$ 50$ Gold \& Silver stamps) <br> (available at all post offices from 16 <br> January 2016) | \$100 | Five sheets |
| Presentation Pack <br> (containing a Stamp Sheetlet with two $\$ 50$ <br> Gold \& Silver stamps) | \$125 | Five packs |


| (available at all post offices from 16 January 2016) |  |  |
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| Serviced Souvenir Cover affixed with a Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark <br> (available at all philatelic offices only on 16 January 2016) | \$103.7 | Five covers |
| Serviced Souvenir Cover (Prestige Version) affixed with a Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark (available at all philatelic offices only on 16 January 2016) | \$110.5 | Five covers |
| Heartwarming Stamps (2016 Version) " | "Year of the Monkey" Mini-panes |  |
| Mini-pane (Local Mail Postage) <br> (containing 12 Heartwarming Stamps) <br> (available at all philatelic offices from 16 <br> January 2016) | \$42 | Two panes |
| Mini-pane (Air Mail Postage) (containing 12 Heartwarming Stamps) (available at all philatelic offices from 16 January 2016) | \$70 | Two panes |

## Date-stamping Arrangements

A hand-back date-stamping service using the office steel date-stamp and the two special postmarks will be provided on 16 January 2016 at all post offices (except mobile post offices) for official/privately-made covers bearing the first day of issue indication and a local address. All philatelic offices will also provide hand-back date-stamping service using the "Philatelic Bureau" pictorial postmark and the philatelic office pictorial postmark concurrently, but the GPO-1 date-stamp will only be available at the General Post Office.

Information about this special stamp issue and associated philatelic products is available on Hongkong Post's website at www.hongkongpost.hk and from any post office, the Hongkong Post Mobile app and the Hongkong Post Philatelic Bureau hotline on 27855711.

