

Hongkong Post to issue “Hong Kong Museums Collection – 19th Century China Trade Paintings” Special Stamps

(Issue date: May 25, 2021)

This set of special stamps is designed by Ms Shirman LAI. The mint stamps, \$10 Stamp Sheetlet and Mini-pane are printed in lithography whilst the \$20 Stamp Sheetlet is printed in lithography with a screen of 800 lines per inch plus 3D embossing by Cartor Security Printing, France.

Official First Day Covers have been put on sale at **\$2 each at all post offices** from **May 10, 2021**. Display of the special stamps and associated philatelic products have been put up at General Post Office (GPO), Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Tsuen Wan Post Office, Sha Tin Central Post Office and Tuen Mun Central Post Office from May 10 and May 15, 2021 respectively for public’s view. Advance orders for servicing self-provided covers have been accepted at all philatelic offices from May 10 to 15, 2021.

Sales Arrangements

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below:

| <i>Products</i> | <i>Unit Selling Price (HKD)</i> | <i>Sales Period</i> | <i>Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer on the First Day of Issue and the following day</i> |
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| <i>(A) Products Available at all Post Offices</i> | | | |
| First Day Cover | \$2 | May 10 to August 24, 2021 | No restriction |
| Mint Stamps (a set of six denominations) | \$21.6 | May 25 to August 24, 2021 | 5 sheets of each denomination (viz. 125 pieces of each denomination) |
| Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$10 mint stamp) | \$10 | | 10 sheets |
| Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$20 mint stamp) | \$20 | | 10 sheets |
| Mini-pane (containing two sets of mint stamps) | \$43.2 | | 5 panes |

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| Presentation Pack (containing a set of mint stamps in six denominations) | \$40 | | 5 packs |
| Collector Pack (containing a set of mint stamps in six denominations, a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet, a \$20 Stamp Sheetlet, a Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of mint stamps in six denominations, a Serviced Collector Cover affixed with a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet and a Serviced Collector Cover affixed with a \$20 Stamp Sheetlet) | \$165 | | 5 packs |

| <i>(B) Products Available at Philatelic Offices only</i> | | | |
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| Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of mint stamps in six denominations (date-stamped with special postmark) | \$26.1 | May 25 to August 24, 2021 | 5 covers |
| Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet (date-stamped with special postmark) | \$14.5 | | 5 covers |
| Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$20 Stamp Sheetlet (date-stamped with special postmark) | \$24.5 | | 5 covers |
| Postage Prepaid Picture Cards (Air Mail) (containing a set of 8 cards) | \$80 | | 5 sets |

Date-stamping Arrangements

A hand-back date-stamping service with options of the office steel date-stamp or the special postmark will be provided on May 25, 2021 at all post offices for official First Day Cover/privately-made covers bearing the first day of issue indication and a local address. All philatelic offices will also provide choices of “Philatelic Bureau” pictorial postmark and the philatelic office pictorial postmark. The GPO-1 date-stamp impression will only be available at the GPO.

For the stamp issue to be launched while the pandemic prevails, Hongkong Post will implement a special sales arrangement to achieve social distancing and prevent crowds. The arrangements for this issue include:

- 1) Pre-ordering of stamp products on the ShopThruPost website (shopthrupost.hongkongpost.hk) until 8:00 am of May 25, 2021;
- 2) Collection points to be set up at all post offices on May 25, 2021 for submission of order forms as well as official First Day Covers/privately-made covers requesting hand-back

date-stamping service.

Information about this special stamp issue and associated philatelic products are available on the Hongkong Post Stamps website (stamps.hongkongpost.hk) and Hongkong Post mobile app.