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AND
NORTHERN IRELAND
STAMPS



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‘Cuchalain’ Legendary warrior of Irish mythology.
Bronze statue by Oliver Sheppard, which dates from
1911 and was later adopted as a memorial to the 1916
Easter Rising and is now located in the GPO, Dublin.

PREFACE

The author began compiling information on the subject of slogan overprints (labels) in 2004. At the outset the objectives appeared simple, being to establish a reference listing of known Republican and Unionist propaganda labels, which were illegally applied to stamps of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

With regard to the Republican issues the subject was well documented, with a 1972 article in 'The Revealer', attributable to the late Joe Foley and an earlier article published in the December 1971 edition of 'Irish Philately', written by the late W. G. Meredith. However in the case of the slogan overprints (labels) released by the Unionist movement, very little had been previously been documented.

It was not till 2010 that a collection in the hands of a private collector and which was originally put together in part by the late Dr Cyril Dulin, became known to the author. As a result of this wealth of previously unknown information, a publication was compiled in 2011 by the author of this publication. In the 2020 edition many new findings are to be found in Part 2 Sections 6 to 11. As a precautionary note it should be remembered that in many instances the provenance of some listings have yet to be established and therefore the proviso of 'subject to further research and validation', must apply.

Recent studies by the author, are also documented in this 2020 edition. In particular these studies relate to the 'Ulster Says No' slogan, where it has been established that with each of four main type scripts, different overprint sizes were in use. These scripts have call backs to Belfast, Armagh, Antrim & Londonderry

In this publication the alpha numeric references have been created by the author, being introduced to facilitate the referencing of slogan overprints, which were applied to stamps of Great Britain and Northern Ireland by the I.R.P.O. and the Unionist Political factions, as well as dealers whose affiliations to the Republican or Unionist cause is not known.

The author wishes to empathise that stamps with slogan overprints have no philatelic status, being deemed by the authorities as defaced and therefore invalid for postal use. As such slogan overprints at best, should be treated as 'Political Labels'.

This said these labels do have a historical background dating back to Cromwell and his Roundheads, who put down the Great Catholic-Gaelic rebellion in 1649, culminating with King James giving much of the conquered land to his English Knights.

Arising from these events developed a longstanding quest by the Irish for independence and freedom from British rule, which in part was agreed and ratified in 1921. With the ratification of the Free State Treaty, whilst its mandate gave independence to 26 counties, the British Administration retained control of six out of the nine Ulster counties, which now form Northern Ireland, and which together with Great Britain are an integral part the United Kingdom.

As a result of this territorial divide in Ireland the struggle for unity and nationwide independence from Great Britain, driven by the Sinn Fein, continued well into the 20th century. However the aspirations fostered by the Sinn Fein were contrary to the wishes of many in the Protestant dominated British territory. Hence the reason for the discord between the radical factions of the Republican and Unionist movements, which gave rise to unrest and conflict, which continued until the British and Irish Governments brought about a peace accord in December 1998.

However despite both Parliaments being party to the treaty, which has become popularly known as the 'Good Friday Agreement', stability and full accord was not fully achieved until 2005. In July of 2005 the I.R.A. finally declared an end to the armed struggle, backed by a declaration in September that all weapons had been destroyed.

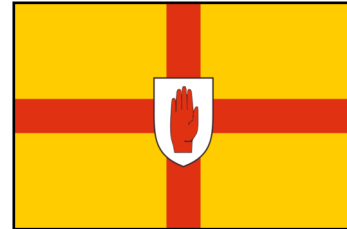
In summary therefore whilst the overprinting of stamps by the political factions was declared illegal by the Postal Authorities it is the author's considered view that the slogan overprints described in this new publication, do have a significant historical background, and therefore should be taken seriously by collectors, whether they be historians or philatelists.

The author first published a book titled 'Propaganda Overprints on Great Britain and Northern Ireland Stamps' in 2013, gaining a Silver medal at STAMPA 2013.

This new edition has come about following the author's acquisition in 2018 of the collection referred to in paragraph three above. This acquisition has provided the opportunity for the author to study in more detail the subject of Propaganda & Political labels, hence this new book, which is retitled 'Republican & Unionist Political Labels on Great Britain and Northern Ireland Stamps'.



Ulster is the name given to the nine counties in the north of Ireland. This includes the six counties of Northern Ireland and three counties, which are part of the Republic of Ireland. These counties being Cavan, Donegal and Monaghan.



Ulster Flag

COUNTIES & COUNTY TOWNS OF NORTHERN IRELAND

CAPITAL CITY
BELFAST

POPULATION
2019 Estimate 1.9 million

COUNTIES
ANTRIM
ARMAGH
DOWN
FERMANAGH
LONDONDERRY
TYRONE

COUNTY TOWNS
ANTRIM
ARMAGH
DOWNPATRICK
ENISKILLEN
COLERAINE
OMAGH



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PART 1.

REPUBLICAN POLITICAL LABELS

FORERUNNERS

In 1969 stamps with the slogan 'FREE 69 DERRY' were released by Sinn Fein. These stamps referenced RP1a to RP1g bearing a slogan overprint, are seen as the forerunners to a series of three later releases, which marked a more intensive propaganda campaign, by the Republican faction under the banner of Sinn Fein. The term 'Sinn Fein' translates from Gaelic to read 'Ourselves Alone' and is recognised as being the political arm of the Irish Republican Army.

Stamps bearing slogan overprints must be treated as labels with no postal status, their aim being to promote anti British propaganda and to generate revenue in support of the Provisional I.R.A. in Northern Ireland.



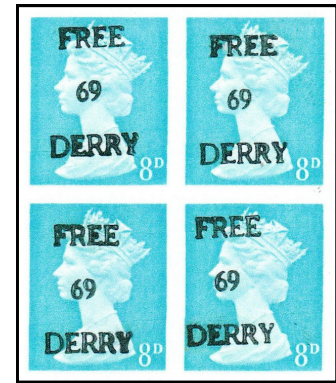
3 x RP1b (4d. GB - SG733)
& RP1b/V1a Inverted Overprint

V1a
Inverted
Overprint



2 x RP1a (1d. GB - SG723)

The 'Free Derry' slogan was adopted by self-declared nationalist activists, from the 'Bogside' and 'Creggan' neighbourhoods of Derry City, from 1969 to 1972.



4 x RP1c (8d. GB - SG739)



RP1d (3d. SG - NI 1)



RP1e (4d. SG - NI 7)



6 x RP1f (4d. SG - NI 9)



4 x RP1g (5d. SG - NI 10)

Note - In Parts 1 and 2 Stanley Gibbons (SG) references are used to identify the basic Great Britain (GB) & Northern Ireland (NI) definitive stamps. Political references given to stamps with slogan overprints are as derived by the author.



RP1f (4d. SG - NI 9)

SECTION OVERVIEW

Further political labels on stamps were released on divers dates in 1971 and 1972, under the auspices of the Dublin based Irish Republican Philatelic Office (I.R.P.O.). These issues are examined in detail in Part 1, which is sub-divided into five sections. The information given in the first four sections covers proofs, details of GB and NI stamps in use with slogan overprints and known varieties and section 5 examines unclassified labels, which are of dubious status:

- Section 1 - political label 'Saoirse Eireann Fight For United Ireland 1916 - 1971', appeared on the 3p. GB 'Ulster Paintings' commemorative stamp, which was released on the 19 June 1971.
- Section 2 - political label 'Support Sinn Fein' and 'Dail Uladh 1971', which appeared on Northern Ireland definitive stamps released on the 25 September 1971.
- Section 3 - political label 'I gCulmhne Dhoire 30.1.72.', which appeared on Northern Ireland definitive stamps, released on the 15 March 1972.
- Section 4 - political label 'Support Official I.R.A.', which appeared on the 3p. GB 'British Polar Explorers' commemorative stamp and which was released on the 6 March 1972.
- Section 5 - unclassified political labels, where the authenticity and provenance is in doubt.

SECTION 1 - FIRST I.R.P.O. SLOGAN ISSUE 19 JUNE 1971

BACKGROUND

On the 16 June 1971 the British Post Office issued stamps to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Stormont Parliament. This issue of three stamps known as 'Ulster 1971 Paintings', were printed in sheets of 100 and on general release at Post Offices throughout Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The political label was applied to quarter panes of 25 stamps (5 x 5) on the 3p. value, which depicts 'A Mountain Road', from a painting by T. P. Flanagan.

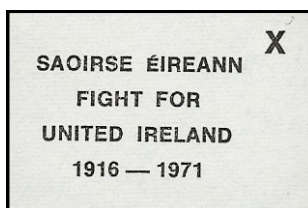
The Republican four line slogan adopted reads 'SAOIRSE ÉIREANN/FIGHT FOR/UNITED IRELAND/1916-1971, together with a cross to obliterate the Queen's head. The Gaelic wording translates to 'Freedom of Ireland'. Further information relating to the background surrounding the release of this political overprint, was published by the Irish Post, a copy of which is reproduced on page 3.

Slogan overprints were sponsored by the I.R.P.O. and available from their office, located at 2a Lower Kevin Street, Dublin 8. Stamps with political labels were put on sale by the I.R.P.O. for 10p., and stamps used on envelope with a Belfast postmark cancel, were also made available and priced at £2. Only 50 such bona fide used examples were made available, from their Dublin office. It is reported that the total number of stamps overprinted, amounted to 7,500.

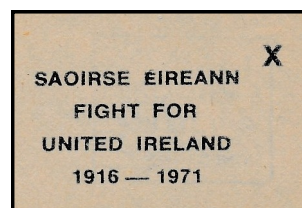
Covers bearing these stamps were deposited in mail boxes in cities and towns in Northern Ireland. Some covers were duly postmarked and delivered to the addressee, while others were either marked by the postal authorities as postage due, or in the case of many copies addressed to the I.R.P.O. they were withheld, being returned to the sender without being cancelled, with a notice that these overprinted stamps contravened Post Office regulations, being classified as defaced stamps.

PROOFS

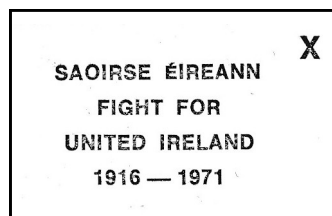
REF.	SLOGAN PROOF DESCRIPTION
RPP2	Proof on thin off white paper, with no back-stamp.
RRP2a	Proof on thin buff paper, with no back-stamp.
RPP2b	Proof on buff paper, back-stamped I.R.P.O. PROOF, signed and dated 16/6/71 by Sean de Faoilte, as 'Runai I.R.P.O.'
RPP2c	Proof on white paper, back-stamped. I.R.P.O. PROOF, signed and dated 16/6/71 by Sean de Faoilte, as 'Runai I.R.P.O.'
RPP2d	Proof on white card, back-stamped. I.R.P.O. PROOF, signed and dated 16/6/71 by Sean de Faoilte, as 'Runai I.R.P.O.'
• 'Runai' translates from Gaelic to 'Secretary' • 'I.R.P.O.' - Irish Republican Philatelic Office	



RPP2



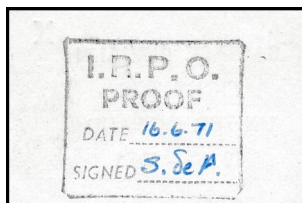
RPP2a & RPP2b



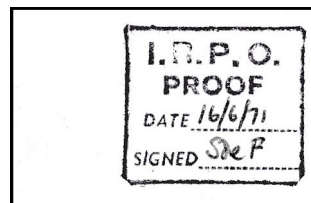
RPP2c & RPP2d



RPP2b Backstamp



RPP2c Backstamp



RPP2d Backstamp

Footnote

The standing and background of the Irish Republican Philatelic Office has been questioned by many notable philatelists, since the first release of stamps bearing politically motivated labels.

From a letter written on the 1 April 1972, by Tarlach O'Briain the then I.R.P.O. Runai, he stated that the "Philatelic Office is part of the Republican Movement, as is the IRA and Sinn Féin ...".

The consensus of opinion amongst the philatelic community is that these overprinted stamps should be treated as defaced items, with no philatelic recognition. Whilst this position is not questioned, from the author's standpoint these labels do have historical significance in connection with Republican factions, whose quest continues for the independence of Northern Ireland from British rule.

'ULSTER PAINTINGS' COMMEMORATIVE WITH SLOGAN

REF.	BASIC STAMP DESCRIPTION WITH SLOGAN OVERPRINT
RP2	3p. 'Ulster Paintings' commemorative stamp with slogan overprint. Basic stamp reference (SG 881),
RP2A	7½p. 'Ulster Paintings' commemorative stamp with slogan overprint. Stamp reported as being similarly overprinted, but subject to validation. Basic stamp reference (SG 882),



RP2

SLOGAN VARIETIES

REF.	SLOGAN OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION
RP2/V2a	Double overlapping overprint impressions. One upright, one inverted.
RP2/V2b	Block signed by 'Ruairi O'Bradaigh' (President of Sinn Fein) and Joe Cahill (Leader of the Provisional IRA in Belfast).



RP2/V2a

Used stamps bearing this slogan overprint were first reported on the 19 June 1971, see examples on page 4.

Republicans launch stamp war— Queen's head Xed out

Irish Post Reporter

Sinn Fein (Kevin Street) has launched its most unusual protest ever against the Northern Ireland Government by overprinting a number of specially-designed Ulster 71 stamps with the slogan "Saoirse Eireann — Fight for United Ireland—1916-1971".

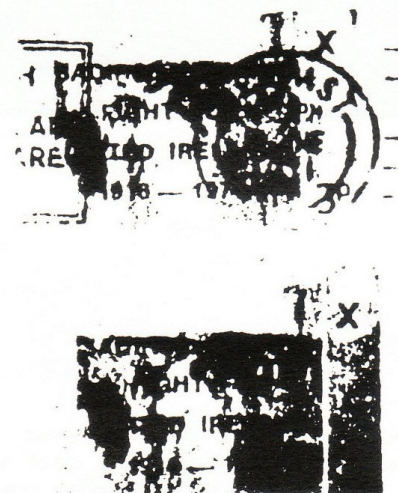
A statement from the Dublin headquarters of the Party says that the stamps will be sold to raise funds for the Republican movement and will also "carry the message of Ireland's fight for freedom to all parts of the world".

The stamps are being distributed both used and unused. Used stamps have been stuck to envelopes addressed to the "Philatelic Office" at the Sinn Fein headquarters in Dublin. The envelopes were posted in Belfast and appear to have gone through the mails in the normal way. In

addition to the over-printed slogan, a heavy 'X' has been overprinted on the head of the Queen.

"The stamps were described by the British Post Office as a special issue to mark the 50th anniversary of the Stormont Parliament," said a spokesman for Sinn Fein. "We regard 1971 as the 50th year of discrimination and oppression under the Stormont and Westminster parliaments. It is also the year in which Republicans all over the Six Counties are fighting for a free and united Ireland."

A Spokesman for the Post Office in London commented that any political slogan from any party that was printed on envelopes going through the mails would be regarded by the Post Office as "an embarrassing package" and as such would be liable to be returned to the sender. The spokesman was un-



Samples of the over-printed stamps. The top one is post-marked Belfast.

able to give an estimate of the detection rate by Post Office officials of envelopes with slogans passing through the system.

Three stamps (to the value of 3p, 7½p and 9p) with reproductions of paintings by Northern Irish artists were released on June 16

Article reproduced from the 'Irish Post' which appeared shortly after the release of the first issue by the Irish Republican Philatelic Office.

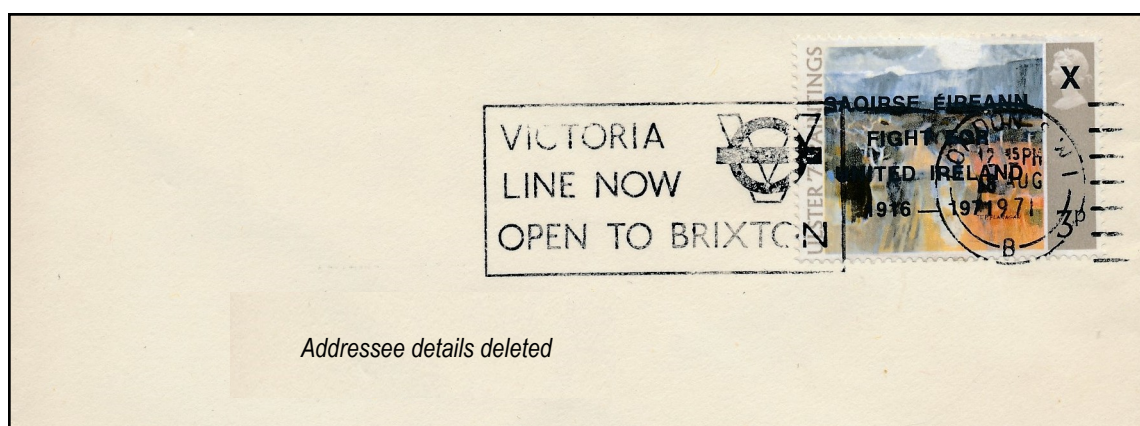
USED ON COVER EXAMPLES



RP2 First Day Cover. Belfast cancel 19 June 1971, addressed to Dublin Office of the I.R.P.O.



RP2 Un-franked on Cover
Classified as 'Postage Unpaid', incurring a postage due levy of 5p., payable by the receiver



RP2 Used on cover and posted without penalty in London 18 August 1971, for delivery within London

SECTION 2 - SECOND I.R.P.O. SLOGAN ISSUE 25 SEPTEMBER 1971

BACKGROUND

Regional stamps of Northern Ireland with slogan overprints 'SUPPORT SINN FÉIN' and 'DAIL ULADH 1971' were released by the I.R.P.O. to mark the establishment of the Dail Uladh, a provisional parliament, set up to represent Ulster's six occupied counties.

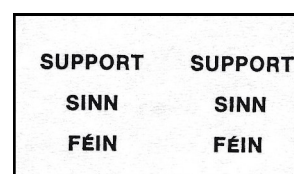
This development was supported by the Republican movement, being viewed as a step towards Ireland's reunification.

The Post Office sheets were divided into two panes each with 100 stamps and the slogan overprint was applied using a 10 x 10 setting.

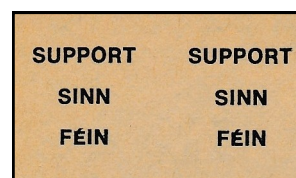
The overprinted stamps, with a face value of 2½p. and 3p. were put on sale from the 25 September 1971, for 10p. each, with used examples on cover being sold for £2. It is recorded that a total 7,500 stamps bearing these slogan overprints were printed.

PROOFS

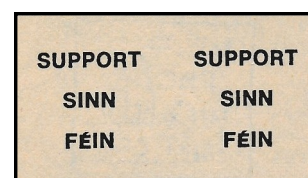
REF.	SLOGAN PROOF DESCRIPTION
RPP3	Proof on white paper, with no back-stamp.
RPP3a	Proof on buff paper, back-stamped I.R.P.O. PROOF, signed and dated 20/9/71.
RPP3b	Proof on off white paper, back-stamped I.R.P.O. PROOF, signed and dated 20/9/71.
RPP3c	Proof on white card, back-stamped I.R.P.O. PROOF, signed and dated 20/9/71.
RPP4	Proof on white paper, with no back-stamp.
RPP4a	Proof on buff paper, with no back-stamp.
RPP4b	Proof on white paper, back-stamped I.R.P.O. PROOF, signed and dated 20/9/71.
RPP4c	Proof on white card, back-stamped I.R.P.O. PROOF, signed and dated 20/9/71.



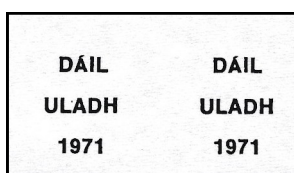
RPP3 & RPP3c



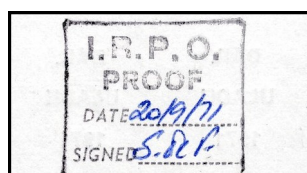
RPP3a



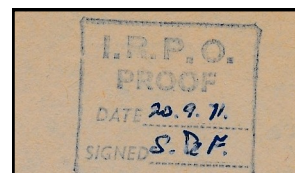
RPP3b



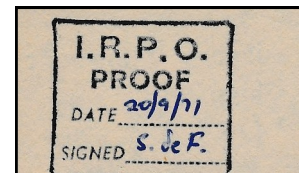
RRP4, RRP4b & RRP4c



RRP4b & RPP4c Backstamp



RPP3a Backstamp



RPP3b Backstamp

FINAL HIGHEST EVENING READERSHIP

Evening HERALD

DUBLIN, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1971
Vol. 80. No. 234. Price 3½p

British P.O. carries the I.R.A. 'message'

MAIL displaying British postage stamps overprinted by the Provisional I.R.A., has been post-marked and delivered in the normal way by the British Post Office.

This was claimed by the body's Irish Republican Philatelic Office in Dublin today as it announced the "issue" of two overprinted stamps to commemorate the setting up of Dail Uladh — the provisional republican parliament for Northern Ireland.

The two stamps "doctored" with the slogans "Dail Uladh 1971" and "Support Sinn Fein" are the 2½p and 3p specially issued for the North.

And the movement is selling the stamps at 10p each in an effort to raise funds.



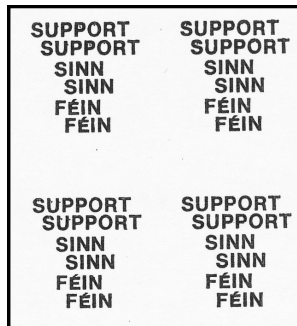

● The overprinted stamp.

Article from the 'Evening Herald' dated 1 October 1971, carrying the story about the I.R.A. message being relayed using British postage stamps.

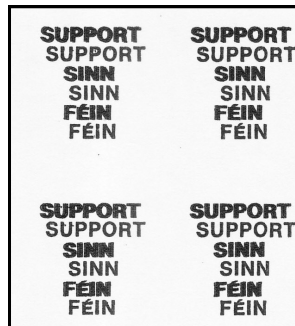
SLOGAN PROOF VARIETIES

The authenticity and provenance of the proof varieties listed, are considered by the author to be subject to question. This said in each case several copies have been examined in respect of each variety and the form of the overprint errors occurring with proofs RPP3 and RPP4 are replicated.

REF.	SLOGAN VARIETY DESCRIPTION	REF.	SLOGAN VARIETY DESCRIPTION
RPP3/V3a	Double overprint impressions.	RPP4/V4a	Double overprint impressions.
RPP3/V3b	Double overprint impressions - bold and normal.	RPP4/V4b	Double overlapping overprint.
RPP3/V3c	Double overlapping overprint.	RPP4/V4c	Double side by side overprint impressions.
RPP3/V3d	Double overprint impressions - upright & inverted.	RPP4/V4d	Double overprint impressions - upright & inverted.
RPP3/V3e	Double overlapping overprint - upright & inverted.	RPP4/V4e	Double overlapping overprint - upright & inverted.
All varieties occur on white paper, with no I.R.P.O. back-stamp.			



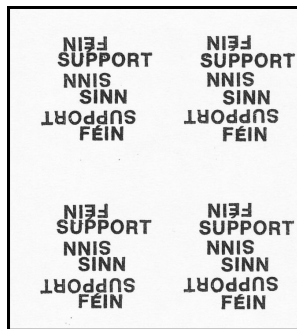
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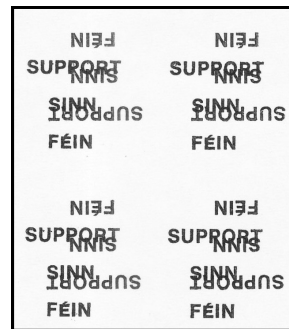
RPP3/V3b



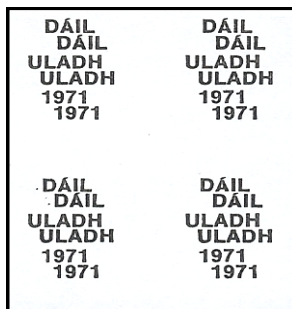
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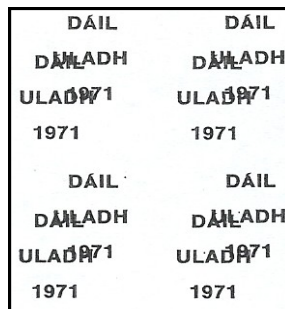
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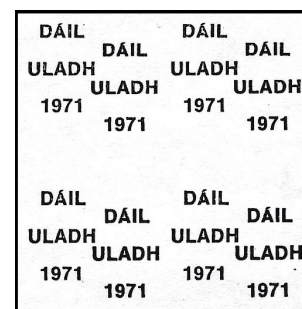
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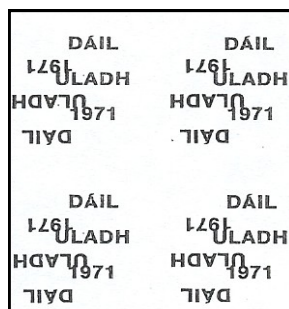
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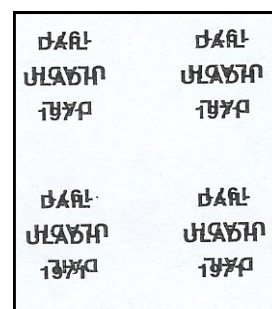
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RPP4/V4c



RPP4/V4d



RPP4/V4e

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NI STAMPS WITH SLOGAN 25 SEPTEMBER 1971

REF.	DESCRIPTION OF BASIC STAMP IN USE WITH SLOGAN OVERPRINT
RP3	2½p. Bright Magenta. Northern Ireland definitive. Basic Gibbons stamp reference NI 12.
RP4	3p. Ultramarine. Northern Ireland definitive. Basic Gibbons stamp reference NI 13. Gaelic wording translates to 'Parliament of Ulster'.



RP3



RP4

Used stamps on cover bearing these slogan overprints were first reported on the 25 September 1971, see examples on page 8.

I.R.P.O. ADVERTISEMENT and PRESS ARTICLE

**REPUBLICAN POSTAGE STAMPS
BRITISH STAMPS OVERPRINTED**

The following British postage stamps have been overprinted by members of the Republican Movement in the Six Occupied Counties, as a protest against the continued presence of British forces in Ireland:

1. "ULSTER '71" 3p stamp overprinted "SADIRSE BIRNANN/FIGHT FOR UNITED IRELAND/1916-1971" marking the 55th year of the fight for Irish freedom: PRICE—10p each (unused).
2. "NORTHERN IRELAND" REGIONAL STAMPS (2½p and 3p) overprinted "SUPPORT SINN FEIN" and "DAIL ULADH 1971" to mark the setting up of Dail Uladh, a provisional parliament of Ulster (9 counties) supported by the Republican Movement as a step towards re-unification. PRICE—10p each (20p—set of 2) unused.

All stamps are on sale at the Sinn Féin office, 2a Lr. Kevin St. (off Camden St.) or by post (send P.O. or cheque and S.A.E. or postage) from:

IRISH REPUBLICAN PHILATELIC OFFICE
2a Lr. Kevin Street, Dublin 8. Tel. 781170

Advertisement placed in the 'Sunday Press' by the I.R.P.O. on the 3 October 1971.

Note references made to stamps with slogan overprints from the first and second issues.

SLOGAN VARIETIES

REF.	SLOGAN VARIETY DESCRIPTION
RP4/V4f	3p. Overlapping misplaced overprints on each stamp in the block.
RP4/V4g	3p. Side by side overprints on each stamp in the block.



RP4/V4f



RP4/V4g

**British stamps
overprinted
by Provisionals**

The establishment of Dail Uladh is marked in the issue of two overprints on British stamps by the Provisional wing of the Republican movement. Already, letters posted in Belfast have been delivered carrying the inscription "Support Sinn Féin" and "Dail Uladh, 1971."

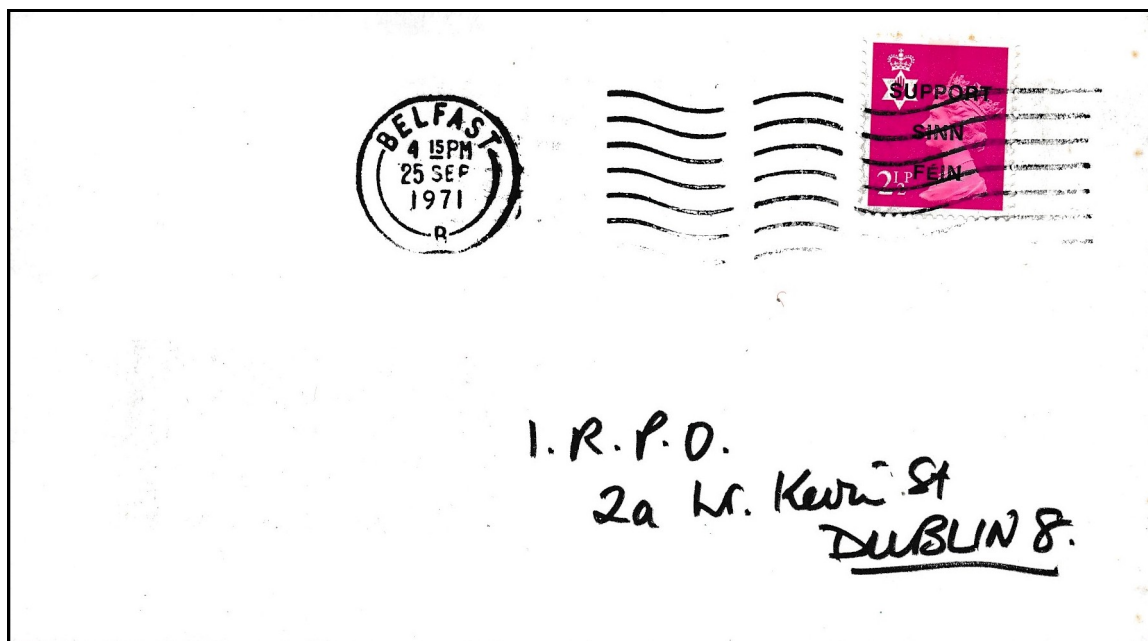
The overprints to mark the setting up of Dail Uladh, which has the support of the Provisional wing of the I.R.A. and Sinn Féin (Kevin (street), are on special Northern Ireland regional issue stamps from the British Post Office.

The stamps will be sold from the Kevin street office of Sinn Féin to raise funds, and they will cost 10p each.

This is the second time for the Provisionals to issue overprints. When the British Post Office brought out a commemorative issue for the Ulster '71 Festival, overprints were released by the Provisional I.R.A.

Article taken from 'Irish Times'
2 October 1971.

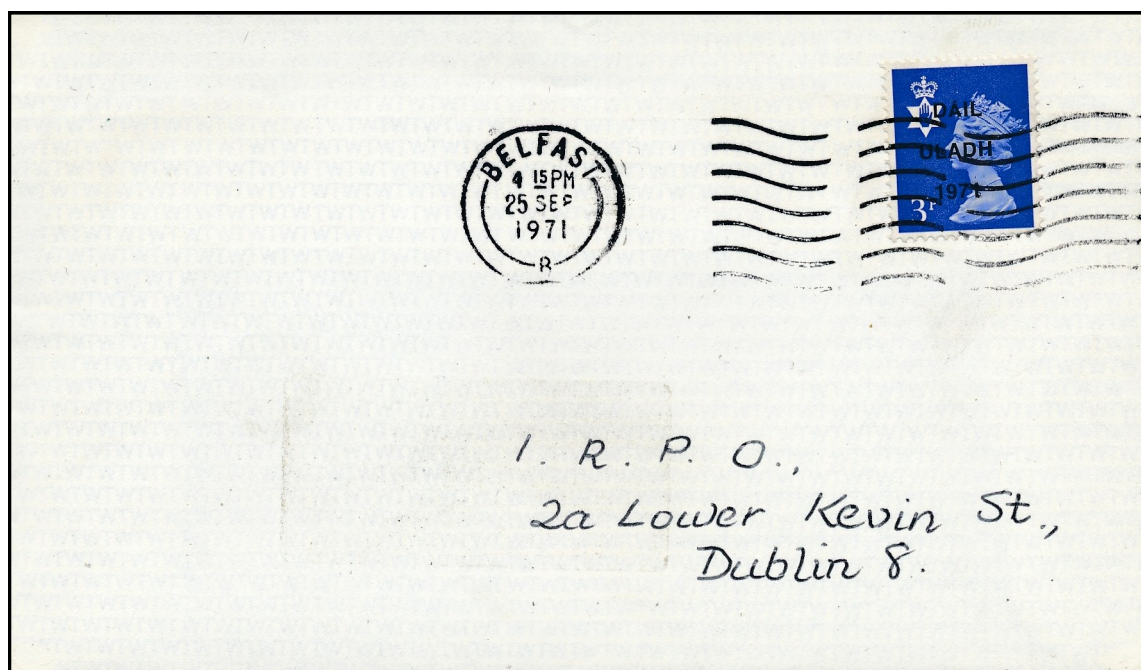
USED ON COVER EXAMPLES



RP3 First Day Cover. Belfast cancel 25 September 1971 to Dublin Office of the I.R.P.O.



RP3 & SG251 4p. Gerl
Droichead Atha cancel 17 February 1972.



RP4 First Day Cover. Belfast cancel 25 September 1971 to Dublin Office of the I.R.P.O.

The First Day Covers shown above were both posted in Belfast at the same time, on the 25 September 1971.

SECTION 3 - THIRD I.R.P.O. SLOGAN ISSUE 15 MARCH 1972

BACKGROUND

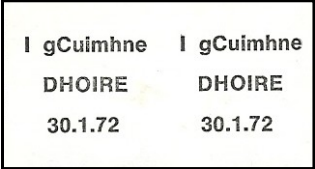
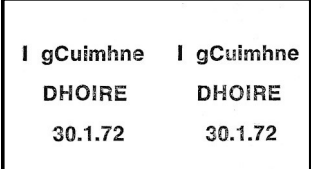
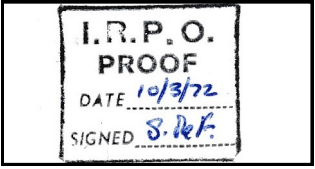
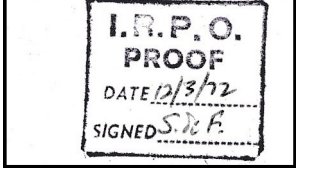
The I.R.P.O. released an overprinted Northern Ireland 3p. regional stamp with the slogan 'I gCuimhne DHOIRE 30. 1. 72', which translates from Gaelic to read 'In Memory of Derry'.

This label was produced to mark 'Bloody Sunday', when thirteen people were killed in Derry by British troops.

Mint stamps with slogan overprints were available from the 15 March 1972, at a price of 10p.

It is also recorded that 300 envelopes were posted that day in Belfast and Derry, of which some 100 came through the postal system undetected, being delivered to the I.R.P.O. Dublin Office

PROOFS

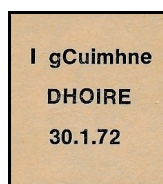
REF.	SLOGAN PROOF DESCRIPTION		
RPP5	Setting 1 proof on white paper, with no back-stamp.		
RPP5a	Setting 1 proof on buff paper, with no back-stamp.		
RPP5b	Setting 1 proof on white paper with back-stamp I.R.P.O. PROOF. Signed by Sean de Faoilte, as 'Runai I.R.P.O.' and dated 10/3/72.		
RPP5c	Setting 2 - '2' of '72' under 'E' of 'DHOIRE' Details as RPP5b, but back-stamp dated 12/3/72.		
Note: Proof Setting 1 - '2' of '72' under 'RE' of 'DHOIRE'. Proof Setting 2 - '2' of '72' under 'E' of 'DHOIRE'.			

RPP5 & RPP5b

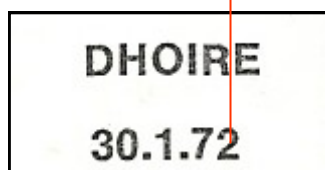
RPP5c

RPP5b Back-stamp

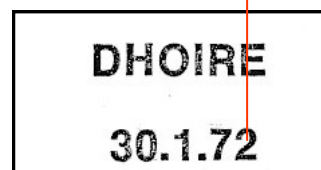
RPP5c Back-stamp



RPP5a



Setting 1 - '2' under 'RE'



Setting 2 - '2' under 'E'

NI STAMP WITH SLOGAN

REF.	BASIC STAMP DESCRIPTION WITH SLOGAN OVERPRINT
RP5	3p. Ultramarine, Northern Ireland definitive. Basic SG stamp reference NI 13. Setting 1 - '2' of '72' under 'RE' of 'DHOIRE'
RP5a	3p. Ultramarine, Northern Ireland definitive. Basic SG stamp reference NI 13. Setting 2 - '2' of '72' under 'E' of 'DHOIRE'



RP5 Setting 1



RP5a Setting 2

SLOGAN VARIETIES

REF.	SLOGAN VARIETY DESCRIPTION
RP5/V5a	Setting 1 - Overprint shift to the left.
RP5a/V5a	Setting 2 - Overprint shift to the left.



RP5a/V5a

I.R.P.O. PRESS STATEMENT

The I.R.P.O. issued a press release, on the 23 February 1972, see reproduction on page 10.

In this release the I.R.P.O. set out details of the three issues of propaganda overprints, on Northern Ireland stamps. Also cited in this release were views expressed by the I.R.P.O., appertaining to the embarrassment the issue of these propaganda overprints had inflicted on the British Government.

IRISH REPUBLICAN PHILATELIC OFFICE

2a, Lower Kevin Street,
Dublin 8. Ireland.

Telephone- 781170

P R E S S R E L E A S E

Issued : 23.2.72.

Members of the Republican Movement in the Six Counties have overprinted another British postage stamp which was issued for use in British Occupied Ireland. The overprint reads "I gCuimhne Dhoire, 30.1.72." in memory of the Irishmen who were brutally murdered by British troops in Derry on January 30th 1972. The overprinted stamps have been used on mail posted in the Occupied Area some of which has passed through postmarked in the normal way. The overprinted stamp was issued on March 15th and 300 envelopes bearing the stamps were posted in Belfast and Derry on that day. About 100 came through unnoticed.

This is the fourth British postage stamp that has been overprinted by members of the Republican Movement as a protest against the continuing presence of the British Armed Forces in Ireland and their murderous and brutal campaign against the people of this country.

The first overprinted stamp was the 3p 'Ulster '71' commemorative issued by the British Post Office to mark 50 years of discrimination and oppression under the Stormont regime. The stamp was overprinted 'Saoirse Eireann, Fight for United Ireland, 1916-1971'. It was released by the I.R.P.O. on June 19th, 1971 and 7,500 were overprinted. A number of the stamps were used on mail posted in the occupied area some of which passed through postmarked.

The second and third issues were released on September 25th, 1971. The stamps overprinted were the 2p and 3p "Northern Ireland" stamps issued by the British Post Office for use in the Occupied Area. The overprints read : 'Support Sinn Féin' and 'Dáil Uladh 1971'. The overprints commemorate the setting up of Dáil Uladh. Again 7,500 of the stamps were overprinted and a number were used on mail posted in the Occupied Six Counties.

The use of these stamps has caused much embarrassment to the British Government and its organisations in Occupied Ireland. The British Police in Scotland Yard, London, have declared that possession of or trading in these stamps may lead to prosecution and similar warnings have been issued by the British Occupation Forces in the Six Counties. However no prosecutions have yet taken place. Mr Enoch Powell, the British Conservative MP, well-known for his anti-Irish and racist views, has asked questions about the stamps in the Westminster Parliament. The Minister for Posts and Telecommunications, Mr Christopher Chataway, replied that the British Post Office were instructing staff to watch out for these stamps and to surcharge any item of mail carrying them. Thus by causing the British Post Office to use their sorting staff to attempt to intercept and surcharge all mail with these stamps affixed one of the primary British organisations in the Occupied Area of Ireland has been disrupted.

All the overprinted stamps are on sale through this office in an effort to raise funds for the Republican Movement. The stamps are priced at 10p each.

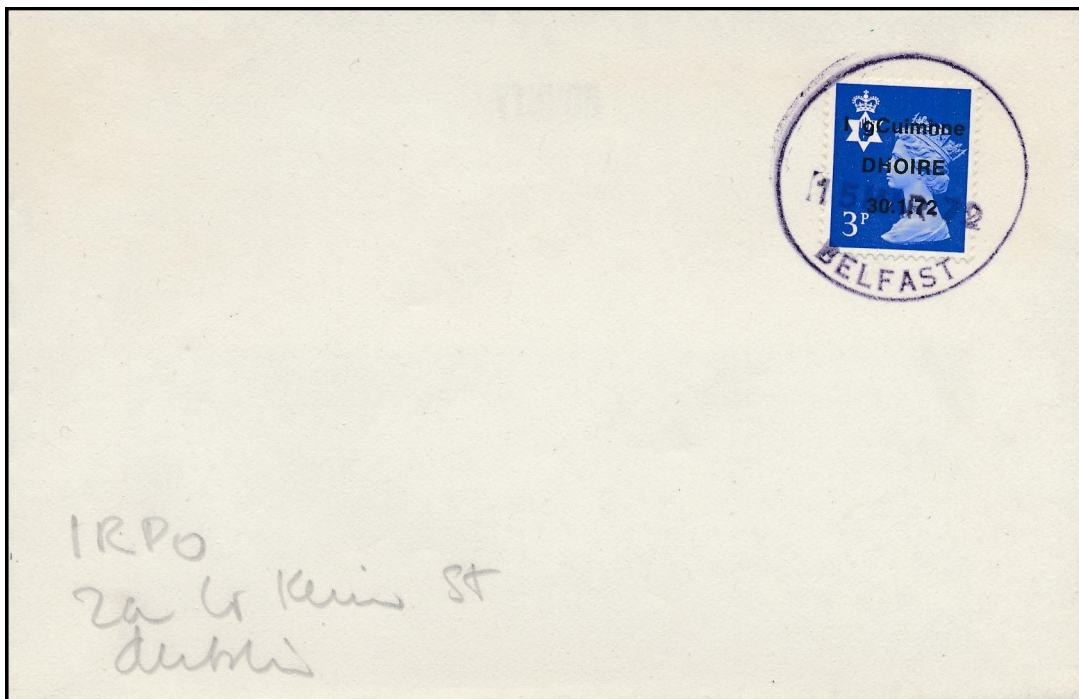
SIGNED :

Tarlach Ó Briain

Tarlach Ó Briain / Runaf
IRISH REPUBLICAN PHILATELIC OFFICE.

It is considered that the date on this release may have been incorrectly typed and should read 'Issued 23. 3. 1972' and not 'Issued 23. 2. 72'.

USED ON COVER EXAMPLES



RP5 First Day Cover. Belfast cancel 15 March 1972 to Dublin Office of the I.R.P.O.
Slogan Overprint Setting 1.



RP5a First Day Cover. Belfast cancel 15 March 1972 to Dublin Office of the I.R.P.O.
Slogan Overprint Setting 2.

SECTION 4 - 'BRITISH POLAR EXPLORERS' COMMEMORATIVE WITH SLOGAN

Basic stamp is from British Polar Explorers series released by the G.P.O. in Great Britain on the 16 February 1972.

3p. stamp depicts Sir James Clark Ross a 19th century naval explorer. Stamp reference by Gibbons SG384.

Slogan overprint applied by the I.R.P.O reads - 'SUPPORT OFFICIAL I. R. A.'



SG384



RP6



RP6 Slogan overprint used on cover, tied by an 'ARMAGH' machine cancel 6 March 1972.

The examples shown above are described as scarce by MacDonnell-Whyte in their auction - January 2014. Mint example sold for €170, and used examples on cover sold for €350, excluding buyers commission.

SECTION 5 - UNCLASSIFIED POLITICAL LABELS

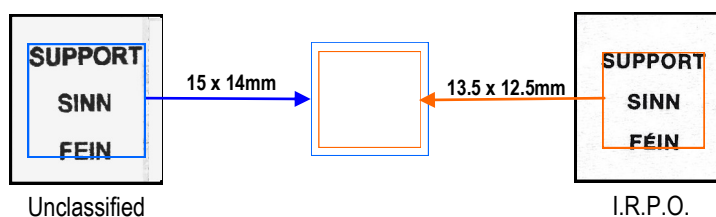
‘SUPPORT SINN FEIN’ SLOGAN FORGERIES

Only the 2½p. Northern Ireland definitive stamp reference NI 12, is officially recorded as being used with the slogan overprint ‘SUPPORT SINN FEIN’, by the Republican political movement - see pages 5 to 8.

The stamps portrayed in this section are considered to be forgeries, as they have no discernable call back to the I.R.P.O. Whether or not they do have a political association with the Republican movement is at this stage, considered to be very unlikely.

Interestingly the basic stamps were issued over a long period of time, from circa 1971 through to 1993 and the examples in hand are all used and without date stamp in part or in full. In the author’s opinion to have more substance as to the origin and intent of these slogan overprints, mint examples in multiples are required. It is considered most likely that these stamps were in the first instance used postally and subsequently overprinted.

The label on these examples is slightly larger than those found on the official I.R.P.O. overprints and secondly these overprints do not incorporate an accent over the ‘E’ of ‘FEIN’.



GB DEFINITIVE STAMPS WITH ‘SUPPORT SINN FEIN’ OVERPRINT



NI DEFINITIVE STAMPS WITH ‘SUPPORT SINN FEIN’ OVERPRINT



The stamps highlighted, with this slogan overprint, were acquired in 2013, from a dealer Archibald King of Broadstairs, Kent, U.K. The dealer in question also advertised stamps with variants of the Unionist slogan ‘Ulster Says No’, which were also acquired by the author.

SECTION 5 - UNCLASSIFIED POLITICAL LABELS

'X' 'NO' SLOGAN FORGERIES

The overprint 'X' and 'NO' is thought to reflect anti-monarchist views held by the Nationalist movement. These stamps are deemed to be forgeries, with no direct call back to the Republican movement.

Interestingly the basic stamps overprinted were issued over a very long period of time, with the examples in hand all used and without date stamp in part or in full. In the author's opinion to have more substance as to the origin and intent of these slogan overprints, mint examples in multiples are required. It is considered most likely that these stamps were in the first instance used for normal post and subsequently overprinted.



Input from three luminaries of Irish philately is as follows:

- could be Nationalist private slogan overprint around same period as the 'Ulster Says No' slogan issues.
- anti monarchist slogans being applied to previously used stamps.
- used stamps overprinted as a cheap option, need mint multiples with overprint to have any meaning.

The slogan examples were acquired by the author, from a member of the 'Eire Philatelic Association' of the U.S.A. in January 2020. In an accompanying note the seller remarked "hopefully you can track down where they originated from" ?

BACKGROUND

Unionists in the mid 1980's perceived interference by the Republic in the internal affairs of Ulster, the name given to the nine counties in Northern Ireland. As a counter measure Ulster loyalists initiated campaigns and mass protests and as part of raising awareness to the campaign, British stamps were overprinted with the political slogan 'Ulster Says No'.

SECTION OVERVIEW

For stamps with slogan overprints, Part 2 is sub-divided into sections, which are as follows:

- Section 6 - proofs and overprinted stamps in use with slogan type styles 1 to 4, details of which have previously been documented in part. The type styles 1 to 4 in this section have a direct call back to Belfast and the Counties of Armagh, Antrim and Londonderry.
- Section 7 - slogans with 'Fancy Script' type style 5, which is found with GB booklet pane stamps.
- Section 8 - slogan varieties arising from the type styles 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5, details of which have not previously been documented.
- Section 9 - deals with composite slogan proofs and overprinted composite blocks, together with known varieties. In the case of composite overprints, at present these are considered to be unclassified, as the reason for their existence is unclear.
- Section 10 - examines proofs, slogans in use with sheet, coil and booklet stamps and varieties which adopted the 'Times New Roman' type style 6.
- Section 11 - lists cylinder & plate block markings in use with sheets of GB and NI definitive stamps, printed by Messrs Harrison and Questa and which were in use with slogan overprints.
- Section 12 - examines labels which are known to be forgeries, and with no call back to the Unionist movement. The 'Ulster Says No' slogans featured in this section are rated as 'unclassified'.
- Section 13 - more recently in year 2000 the Unionists issued a new series of slogan overprints on GB stamps, with the political label 'No Guns No Government'. The release of stamps bearing this slogan was a warning to the I.R.A. to disarm, as a precondition for peace and unification in Northern Ireland.

As background to this particular issue, in May 2000 the I.R.A. were directed to put all weapons beyond use and it was not until October 2001 that weapon decommissioning commenced. This situation prevailed despite the fact that it was in 1998 that the British and Irish Parliaments first agreed to the terms of the 'Good Friday' peace accord, which in reality were not implemented until 2005.

In July 2005 the I.R.A. finally declared an end to the armed struggle and in September made a second declaration in which they state "that all weapons had been destroyed".

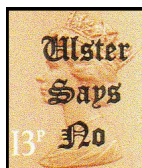
Sections 6 & 8



UP5/T4

Script Types 1 to 4
'Londonderry' shown

Sections 7 & 8



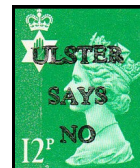
UPB9

'Fancy' Script
Type 5



Unionist label in use with
mail during this period

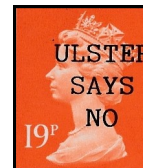
Section 10



UP20

'Times New Roman' Type 6

Section 10



UP28

Section 12



Forgeries

Section 9



UPC10a

Composite Political Labels

Type 1 (Belfast), Type 2 (Armagh), Type 3 (Antrim), Type 4 (Londonderry).

Section 13



UP54

'No Guns
No Government'

SOURCE OF MATERIAL

For stamps overprinted with the 'Ulster Says No' slogan, it is considered likely that a Belfast dealer may have had influence, with regards to both the printing and availability of these labels. From the author's standpoint it is not known whether the dealer in question also had political ties with the Unionists, or was engaged as an independent contractor to print propaganda material, with no affiliation to their movement.

With the passing of this stamp dealer in November 2010, the author can now divulge that the person thought to be involved, was Peter J. McBride, formerly of 'Drumconvis House', Coagh, County Tyrone, Northern Ireland. From this same address operated a business trading as Thomas Kennedy - Packets. Peter McBride also had a retail shop in Belfast, operating from 11 Victoria Street.

From the authors' findings, it is common to find used examples, where the addressee is either Peter McBride, Thomas Kennedy - Packets in Coagh, or to his shop in Belfast. The cover examples shown below, highlight these links.

Some of the varieties found with both proofs and stamps with slogan overprints, and which are detailed in Section 9, may also have a call back to Peter McBride.

In the opinion of the author a number of the listed varieties, appear to have been deliberately manufactured for philatelic purposes. In particular this statement refers to composite blocks using type 1 to type 4 overprints and blocks which display multiple varieties and stamps from booklets using the type 5 slogan overprint.

In the case of the type 6 slogan overprints, many appear to be of poor quality and amateur in their appearance and not linked with the labels originating from McBride. It is therefore expedient to place on record that many of these listings are subjective and of doubtful origin.

Concluding this prologue surrounding the activities of Peter McBride, it is known that he produced overprints on postage stamps of Myanmar up to year 2006. These overprints were declared invalid by the Burmese postal authority and importantly some of his overprinted material* was either factually incorrect or deemed to be blatant forgeries, by the likes of Stanley Gibbons.



Cookstown, Co.
Tyrone cancel
3 Nov. 1988

* Examples of improper overprints on Burma/ Myanmar stamps, accredited to Peter McBride.



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Cookstown, Co. Tyrone
cancel 9 June 1987



SECTION 6 'ULSTER SAYS NO' SLOGAN TYPES 1 to 4

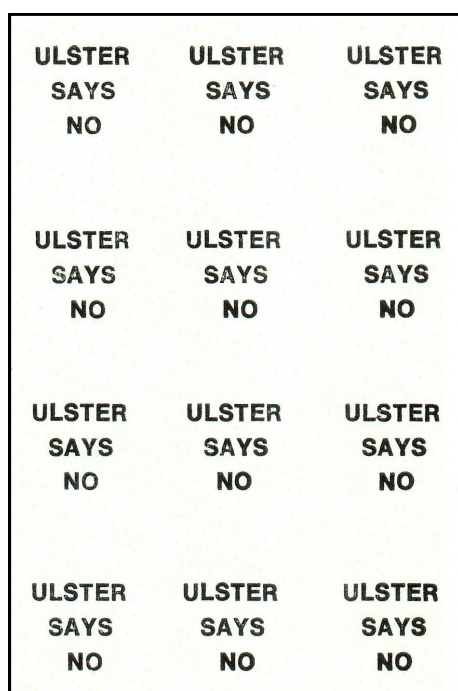
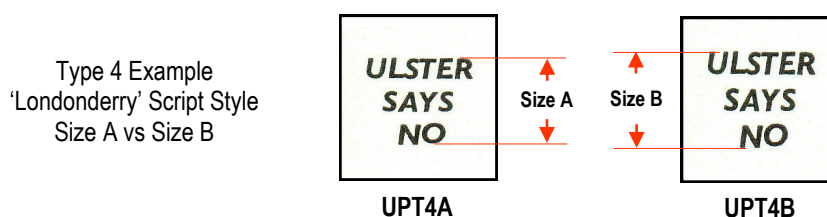
In this section four 'Ulster Says No' slogan overprint styles, types 1 to 4 are covered and which have a call back to Belfast or the Counties of Armagh, Antrim and Londonderry sequentially. These type styles were applied to sheets of low value Machin definitive stamps of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

PROOFS

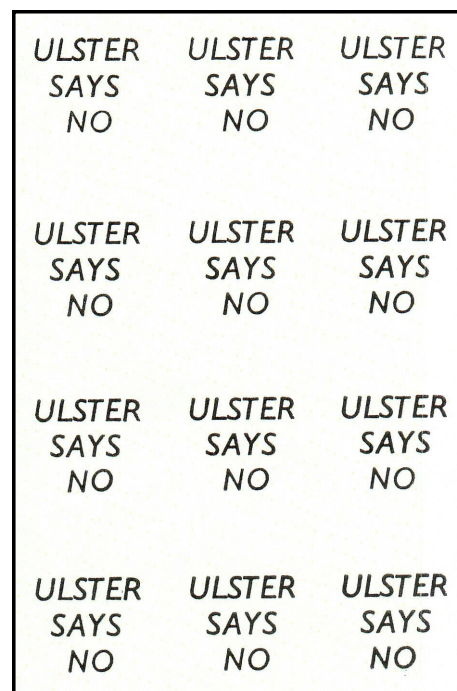
PROOF REFERENCE	'ULSTER SAYS NO' OVERPRINT TYPE STYLE	SLOGAN OVERPRINT TYPE and SIZE			
		TYPE	SIZE	WIDTH (mm)	HEIGHT (mm)
UPT1A	Thick small font (arial bold) 'Belfast' script style	1	A	12.5	10.2
UPT1B			B	12.5	11.8
UPT2A	Thin sloped large font (italic arial) 'Armagh' script style	2	A	14.0	11.5
UPT2B			B	14.0	12.5
UPT3A	Thin small font (arial) 'Antrim' script style	3	A	12.5	10.6
UPT3B			B	12.5	11.6
UPT4A	Thick sloped large font (italic arial bold) 'Londonderry' script style	4	A	14.2	11.0
UPT4B			B	14.2	12.3

SLOGAN OVERPRINT DIMENSIONS

For each of the type styles 1 to 4, the slogan overprints occur with two height variants, which are listed as size A and B in the above table. This phenomenon was established by the author and from the author's findings overprints with size B dimensions, appear to be the most common.

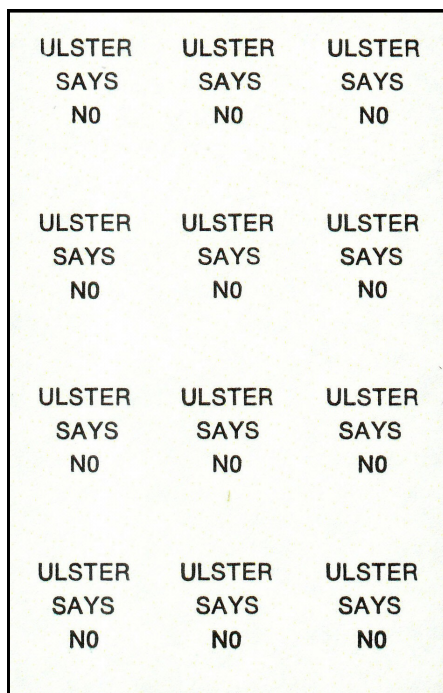


UPT 1B
Type 1 Size B 'Belfast' Script

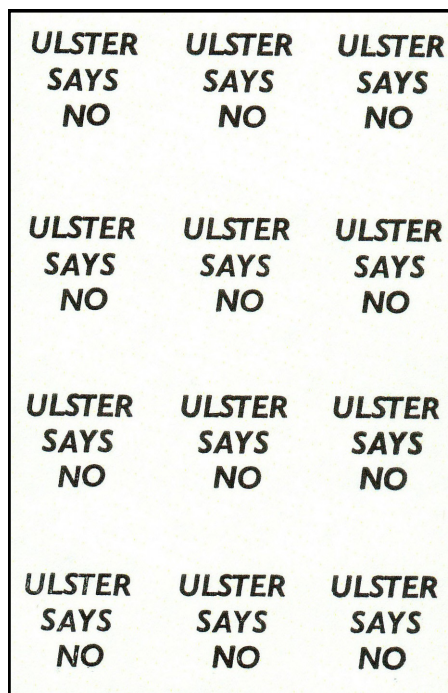


UPT 2B
Type 2 Size B 'Armagh' Script

PROOFS



UPT 3B Type 3 Size B 'Antrim' Script



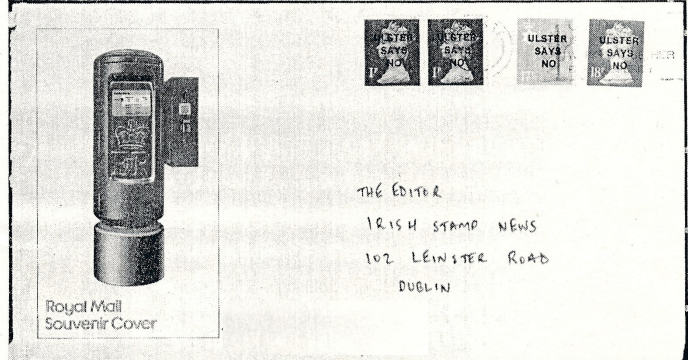
UPT 4B Type 4 Size B 'Londonderry' Script

LABEL PRINTING PROCESS IN QUESTION

For the 'Ulster Says No' slogan overprint the setting used is thought to have been in the form of a 3 x 4 stereo, see proof block examples shown on pages 17 and 18. At this juncture it is unclear to the author how the overprinting process was performed by the printer. The reason for this being that full sheets of GB and NI stamps were made up of 200 stamps (10 x 20) and by using a 3 x 4 cliché forme, which is not devisable by the ten columns in a sheet, the end result would be to leave a column with no overprint impressions ?

NEWS RELEASE

Article reproduced from 'Irish Stamp News' 1987 Issue 24.



Cover posted in Belfast with "Ulster Says No" overprints.

"ULSTER SAYS NO" OVERPRINTS

From about November several British stamps have been overprinted unofficially — and illegally — with the slogan "ULSTER SAYS NO". For our foreign readers we should explain that the slogan refers to the Anglo-Irish Agreement between the London and Dublin governments which the Northern Ireland Unionists most strongly oppose.

No organisation has claimed responsibility for the overprints. The Ulster Defence Association, a paramilitary Unionist organisation, has denied any involvement.

At least four different types of overprint have been used, as illustrated here. IRISH STAMP NEWS' source reports usage on covers as follows: Type I — Belfast, on 1p, 12p, 13p, 17p and 18p stamps; Type II — Co. Armagh, on 13p and 18p values; Type III — Co. Antrim, on 13p and 18p values; Type IV — Co. Londonderry on 13p and 18p values.

Stamps with unofficial overprints are considered 'defaced' by the British Post Office and cannot be used to prepay postage, according to Postal Headquarters in Belfast. Any mail franked with such stamps will be treated as unpaid and postage due levied accordingly. Furthermore, said a spokesperson, the sale of such stamps is illegal and the RUC have been alerted.



Type 1



Type 2



Type 3



Type 4

Type 1 - Belfast
Type 2 - Co. Armagh

Type 3 - Co. Antrim
Type 4 - Co. Londonderry

GB & NI STAMPS WITH 'ULSTER SAYS NO' TYPES 1 to 4 SLOGAN

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	YEAR OF ISSUE	BASIC STAMP DESCRIPTION			OVERPRINT TYPE & SIZE			
		VALUE & COLOUR	(SG) REF.	PRINTER & PHOSPHOR	TYPE 1 A B	TYPE 2 A B	TYPE 3 A B	TYPE 4 A B
UP1	1986	1p. Crimson	GB defin. X844	Harrison 2 Phosphor Bands	T1	-	-	-
UP1a	1986	1p. Crimson	GB defin. X846	Harrison Phosphor Paper	T1	-	-	-
UP2	1986	2p. Emerald - green	GB defin. X1000	Questa (I) Phosphor Paper	T1	-	-	-
UP3	1986	3p. Bright Magenta	GB defin. X930	Harrison Phosphor Paper	T1	T2	T3	T4
UP4	1986	4p. Greenish - blue	GB defin. X1002	Questa (II) Phosphor Paper	T1	T2	T3	T4
UP5	1986	5p. Claret	GB defin. X1004a	Questa (I) Phosphor Paper	T1	T2	T3	T4
UP6	1986	12p. Bright Emerald	NI defin. NI 35	Questa (II) 1 Side Band	T1	-	-	-
(UP7)	1986	12½p. Light Emerald	NI defin. NI 36a	Questa (I) 1 Side Band	T1	T2	T3	T4
UP8	1986	13p. Pale Chestnut	NI defin. NI 37	Questa (I) 1 Side Band	T1	T2	T3	T4
UP8a	1986	13p. Pale Chestnut	NI defin. NI 37Ea	Questa (II) 1 Side Band	T1	T2	T3	T4
(UP9)	1986	13p. Pale Chestnut	GB defin. X900	Harrison Centre Band	T1	T2	T3	T4
UP10	1986	17p. Grey - blue	NI defin. NI 43	Questa (I) Phosphor Paper	T1	-	-	-
UP10a	1986	17p. Grey - blue	NI defin. NI 43Ea	Questa (II) Phosphor Paper	T1	-	-	-
UP11	1987	18p. Deep Olive - grey	NI defin. NI 46	Questa (II) Phosphor Paper	T1	T2	T3	T4
UP12	1986	18p. Deep Olive - grey	GB defin. X955	Harrison Phosphor Paper	T1	T2	T3	T4
(UP7) & (UP9) recorded with composite overprints type styles 1 to 4 in vertical strips, see page 34.								
Examples of Type 1 Size B (Belfast) slogan overprints on GB & NI stamps are shown on page 20.								

UP 5 POLITICAL OVERPRINT TYPE VARIANTS



Type 1
'Belfast' Script



Type 2
'Armagh' Script



Type 3
'Antrim' Script



Type 4
'Londonderry' Script

- Full extent of size 'A' and 'B' variants in use with overprint type styles 1 to 4 is subject to validation.
- See page 17 for 'A' and 'B' dimensions and style details.
- Brackets () indicate where the use of basic stamp with a slogan overprint is subject to validation.

GB & NI STAMPS WITH 'ULSTER SAYS NO' TYPES 1 to 4 SLOGAN



UP1 X844



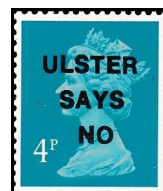
UP1a X846



UP2 X1000



UP3 X930



UP4 X1002



UP5 X1004a



UP6 NI 35



UP8 NI 37



UP8a NI 37Ea



UP10 NI 43



UP10a NI 43Ea



UP11 NI 46



UP12 X955

Examples shown with Type 1 'Belfast' size B slogans, excepting size A with UP10a. For details see page 19.

TYPE 1

Size A

Size B



UP6/T1A

UP6/T1B

POLITICAL SLOGAN OVERPRINT DIMENSIONS SIZE 'A' & 'B' COMPARISONS

Type 2

Size A

Size B



UP8/T2A

UP8/T2B

Type 3

Size A

Size B



UP12/T3A

UP12/T3B

Type 4

Size A

Size B



UP12/T4A

UP12/T4B

HARRISON & SONS AND HOUSE OF QUESTA PRINT CHARACTERISTICS

Harrison Photogravure Printings

Uneven lines to the value and frame of stamp.

Questa (I) Lithography Printings

These printings display a matrix of tiny dots which make up the coloured background of the stamp. These dots are clearly seen under magnification.

Questa (II) Lithography Printings

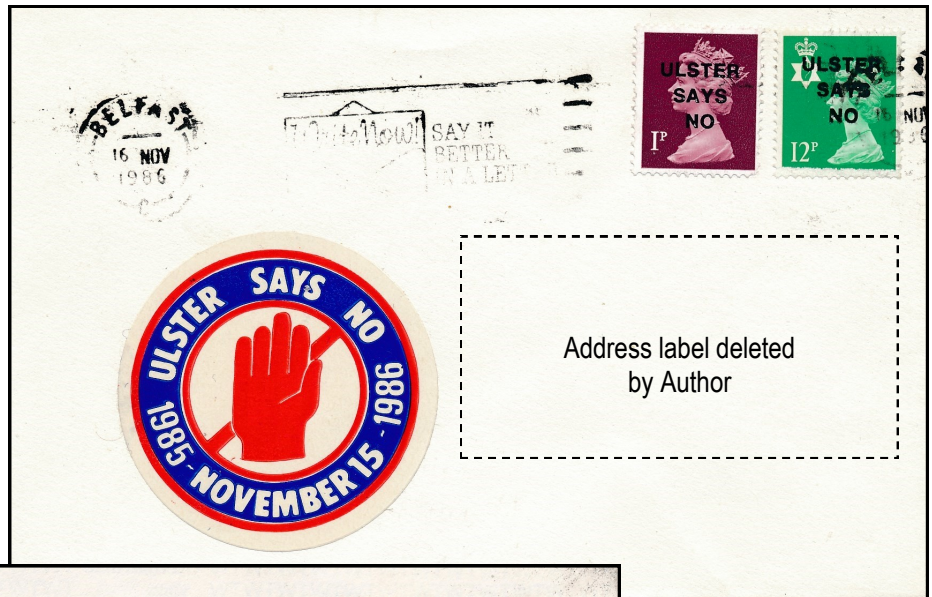
Clear outlines to value and frame and the background colour of stamp is solid, with no visible dots.

Questa Regional Stamps

With the Northern Ireland Questa (I) printings, the three pearls to the left of the jewel on the crown over the 'hand' are individually drawn, whereas with Questa (II) printings the first three pearls to the left of the crown are joined.

SLOGAN TYPE 1 'BELFAST' OVERPRINTS USED ON COVER

**UP1a/T1A (X846) &
UP6/T1A(NI 35)**
Belfast cancel
16 November 1986.

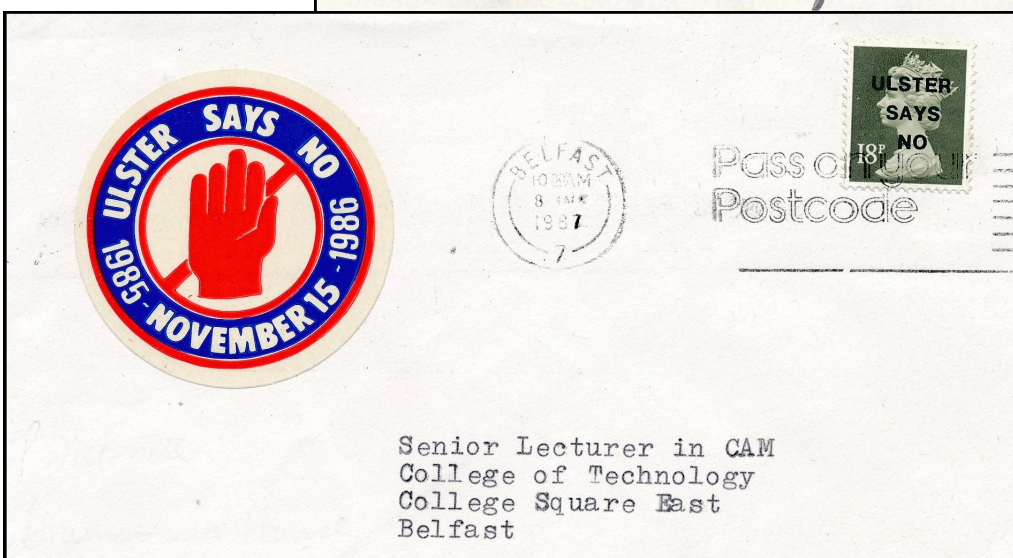


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by Author



**UP5/T1B (X1004a) &
UP8/T1B (NI 37)**
Belfast cancel
8 June 1987.

**UP1a/T1A (X846) &
UP10a/T1A (NI 43Ea)**
Belfast cancel
16 November 1987.
(Graeme McBride the
son of Peter McBride)



UP12/T1B (X955)
Belfast cancel
8 June 1987.

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SLOGAN TYPE 2 'ARMAGH' OVERPRINTS USED ON COVER



**UP4/T2B (X1002)
& UP5/T2B (X1004a)**
Armagh cancel 1 March 1988



UP8a/T2A (NI 37Ea)
Armagh cancel
1 December 1986



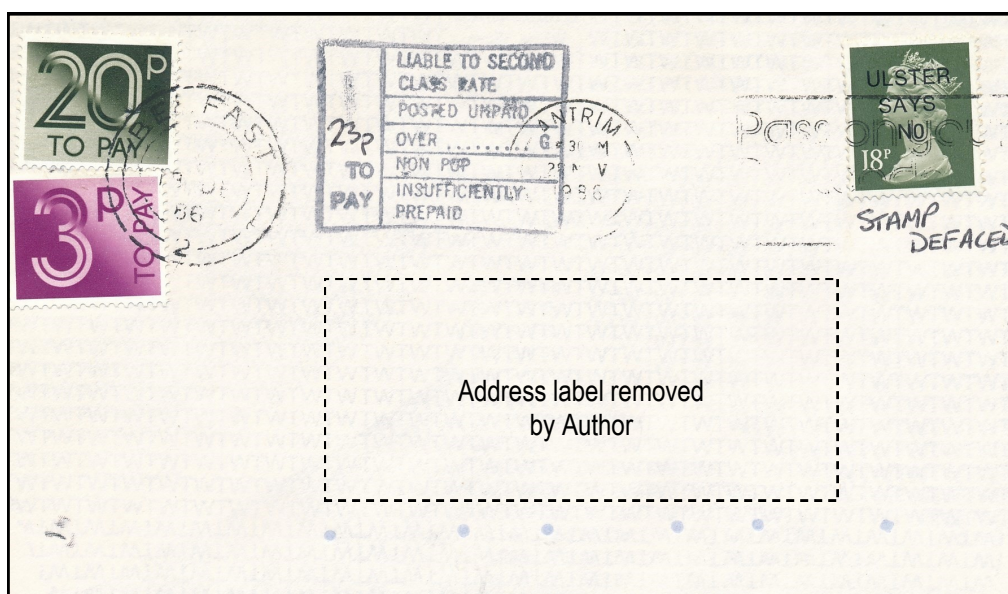
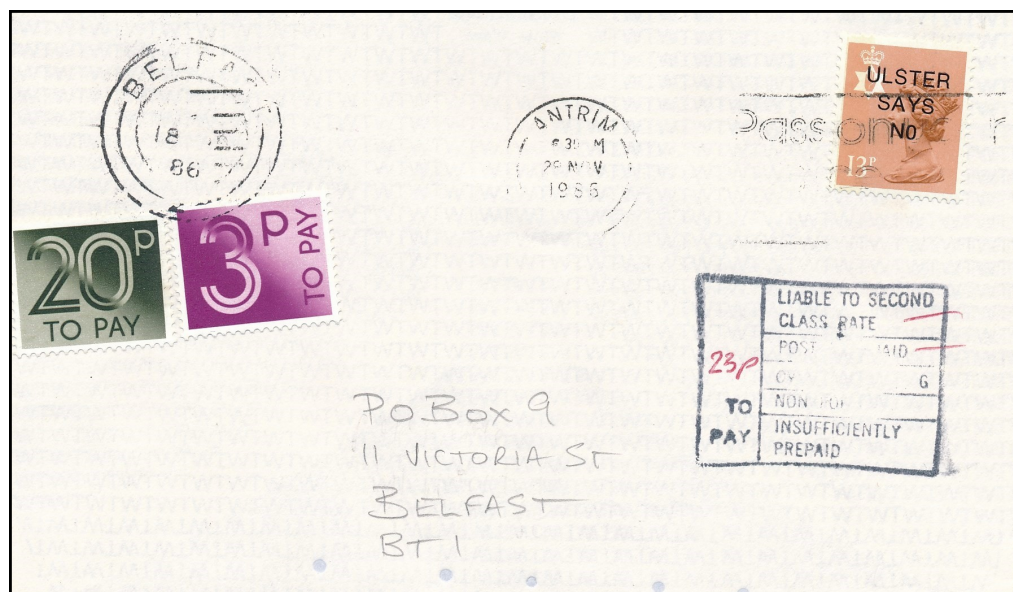
UP12/T2A (X955)
Armagh cancel
8 June 1987

Examples are
known with
Armagh
cancels dated
1 December 1986

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SLOGAN TYPE 3 'ANTRIM' OVERPRINTS USED ON COVER

UP8a/T3A (NI 37Ea)
Antrim cancel
28 November 1986



UP12/T3A (X955)
Antrim cancel
28 November 1986

'STAMP DEFACED'
added by Belfast
receiving office,
with a postage due
levy of 23p.

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UP12/T3A (X955)
4 July 1987 cancel,
posted in W.I.
London for delivery
to Belfast.

'For God and Ulster'
'The Glorious Memory 1690'

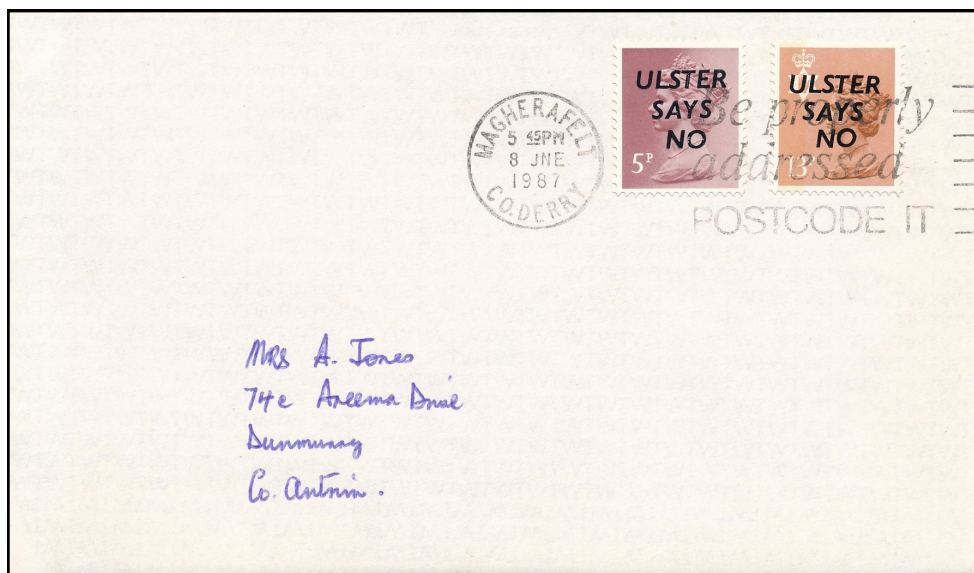
Label features the iconic image of protestant King William III.

Labels were produced by the Orange Order.

The slogan 'For God and Ulster' is the motto of the Ulster Protestant Volunteers, a loyalist and fundamental paramilitary group in Northern Ireland.

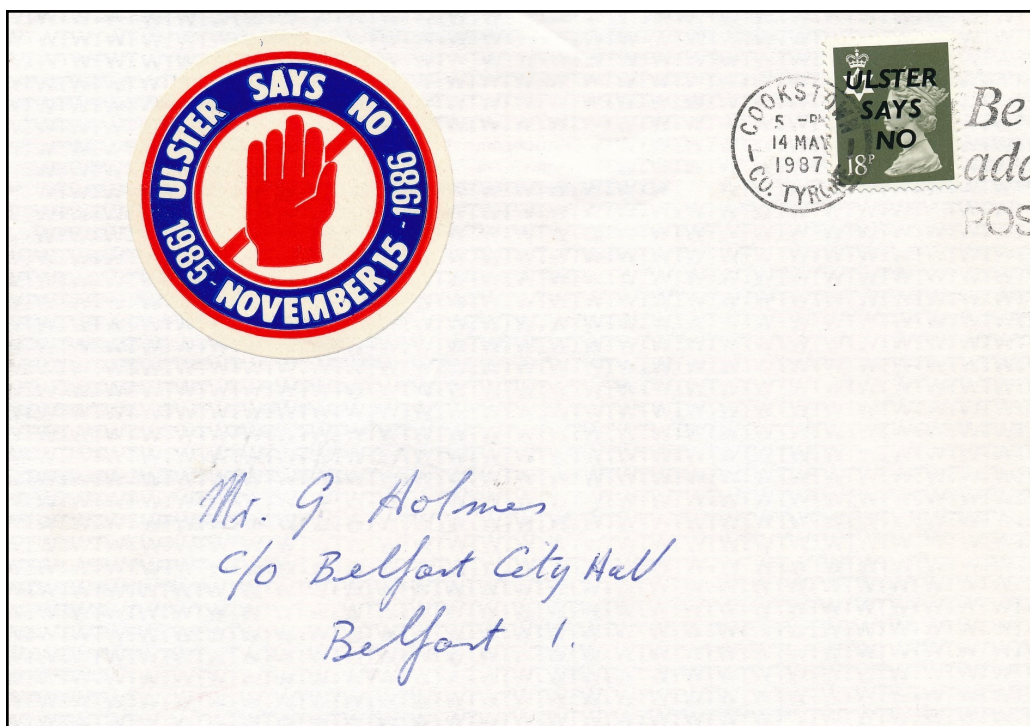


SLOGAN TYPE 4 'LONDONDERRY' OVERPRINTS USED ON COVER



UP5/T4B (X1004a) & UP8a/T4A (NI 37Ea)
Magherafelt Co. Derry
cancel 8 June 1987.

UP11/T4B (NI 46))
Cookstown Co. Tyrone
cancel 14 May 1987.



UP12/T4A (X955)
Magherafelt Co. Derry cancel
28 March 1987.



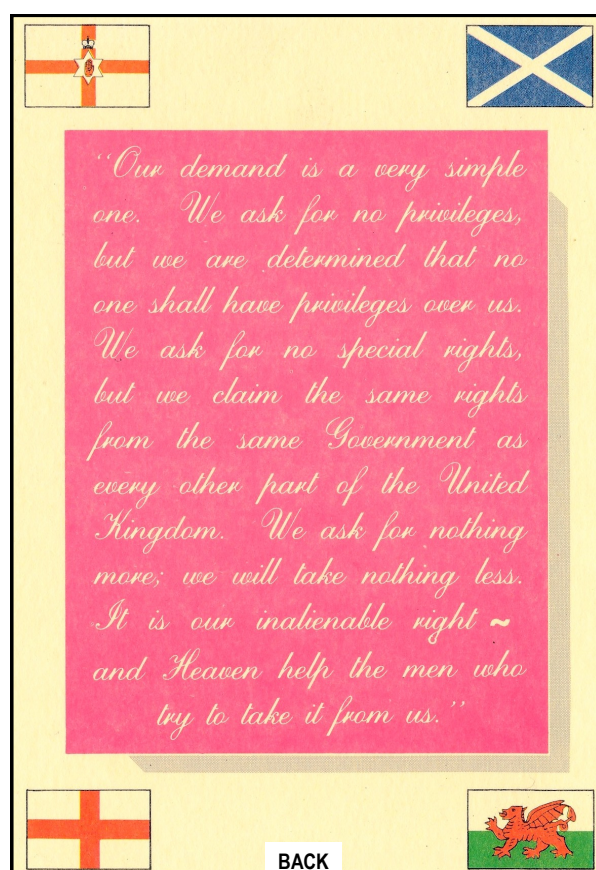
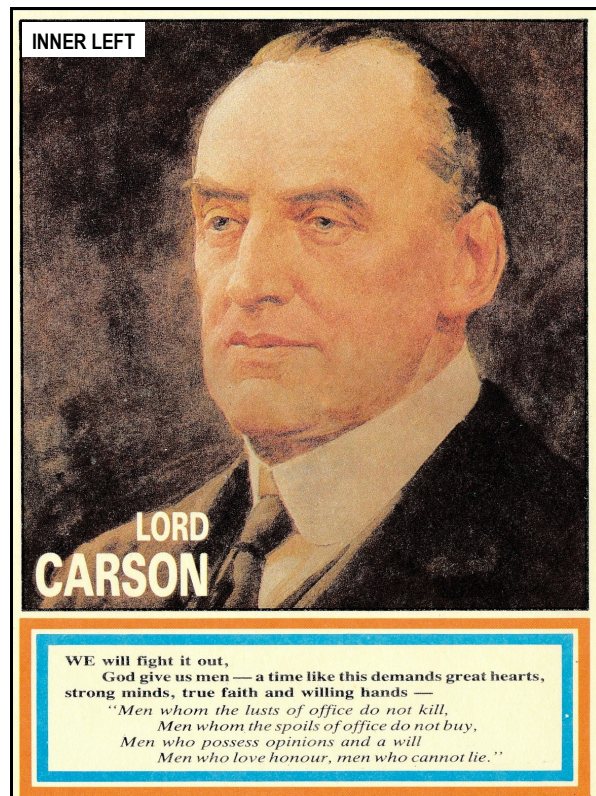
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SECTION 7 BOOKLET PANES WITH SLOGAN TYPE 5

BACKGROUND

For booklet stamps the overprint type style adopted is referred to as 'Fancy' script.

The overprinted booklet panes were issued by the Unionist movement in Northern Ireland to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of 'Ulster Covenant Day', which is also known as 'Ulster Day'. This date marks the signing of the home rule treaty in Belfast on the 28 September 1912. The Commemoration leaflet copied below sets out Lord Carson's demands made in 1912 and a declaration by the Unionist movement in 1987. The printing of the proof and booklet panes was carried out in two stages - 'Ulster Says No' being printed on the pane stamps, followed by addition in the margin of 'Ulster Covenant Day, 28th September 1912'.



BOOKLET PANES WITH SLOGAN TYPE 5

INTRODUCTION

Type 1 booklets with square tabs were printed by Harrison & Sons, and released to Post Offices throughout Great Britain and Northern Ireland on the 4 August 1987.

Three booklets with stamp values 13p., 18p. and 26p. are known to have been overprinted for political purposes by the Unionists.

In 1987 the 13p. stamp was in use for second class mail within the UK and 18p. stamps for first class mail within the UK and for ECC countries, but with the latter a weight limit of 20gm. was applied. In the UK for both mail classes the weight limit was 60gm. The 26p. stamp was the tariff applicable for the worldwide delivery of postcards.

Booklet Panes Overprinted:

- 4 x 13p. Plain four stamp booklet pane printed using cylinder B40.
- 4 x 18p. Plain four stamp booklet pane printed using cylinder B10.
- 4 x 26p. Plain four stamp booklet pane printed using cylinder B2.

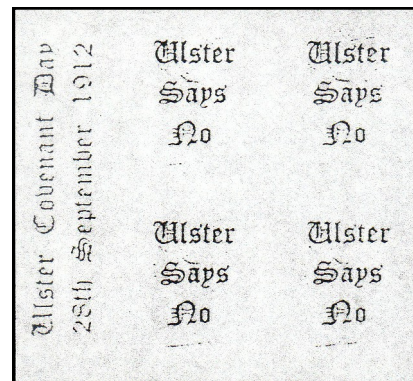
The three booklet panes with slogan overprints were issued on the 28 September 1987, by the Unionist movement in Northern Ireland, to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Ulster Covenant Day.

Slogan overprints on booklet stamps using 'Times New Roman' type style 6 have been uncovered, but their authenticity and provenance is subject to validation, see section 10 for details.

BOOKLET PANE PROOF

PROOF REFERENCE	OVERPRINT TYPE and SIZE			
	TYPE	STYLE	WIDTH	HEIGHT
UPT5	5	Old English	11.5mm	14.3mm

Type 5 sometimes referred to as 'Fancy' script.



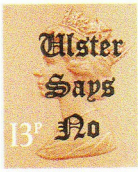
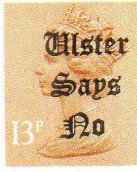
GB BOOKLET PANES

POLITICAL PANE REFERENCE	ISSUE DATE	BASIC GB STAMP DESCRIPTION				OVERPRINT TYPE 'OLD ENGLISH'
		STAMP VALUE	COLOUR	SG REFERENCE & PANE MAKE UP	PHOSPHOR	
UPB9	1987	13p	Pale Chestnut	X900 x 4	Centre Band	T5
UPB12	1987	18p.	Deep Olive-grey	X955 x 4	Phosphor Paper	T5
UPB13	1987	26p.	Rosine	X971b x 4	Phosphor Paper	T5

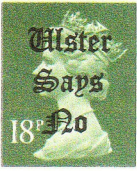
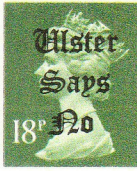
UPB12 BOOKLET COVER



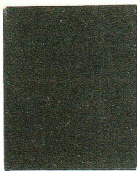
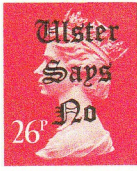
GB BOOKLET PANE STAMPS WITH TYPE 5 SLOGAN

	UK letters and cards		Ulster Covenant Day 28th September 1912		
	up to 60g				
	First class	18p			
	Second class	13p			
	Europe letters and cards				
	up to 20g				
	EEC countries	18p			
	Non-EEC countries	22p			
	Worldwide postcards	26p			
	Rates above effective from 20 October 1986				

UPB9/T5 'Old English' script overprint

	UK letters and cards		Ulster Covenant Day 28th September 1912		
	up to 60g				
	First class	18p			
	Second class	13p			
	Europe letters and cards				
	up to 20g				
	EEC countries	18p			
	Non-EEC countries	22p			
	Worldwide postcards	26p			
	Rates above effective from 20 October 1986				

UPB12/T5 'Old English' script overprint

	UK letters and cards		Ulster Covenant Day 28th September 1912		
	up to 60g				
	First class	18p			
	Second class	13p			
	Europe letters and cards				
	up to 20g				
	EEC countries	18p			
	Non-EEC countries	22p			
	Worldwide postcards	26p			
	Rates above effective from 20 October 1986				

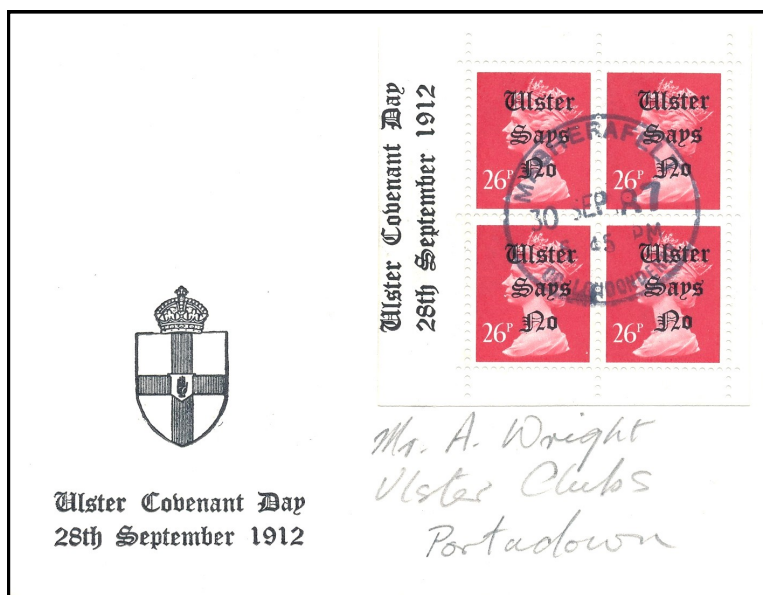
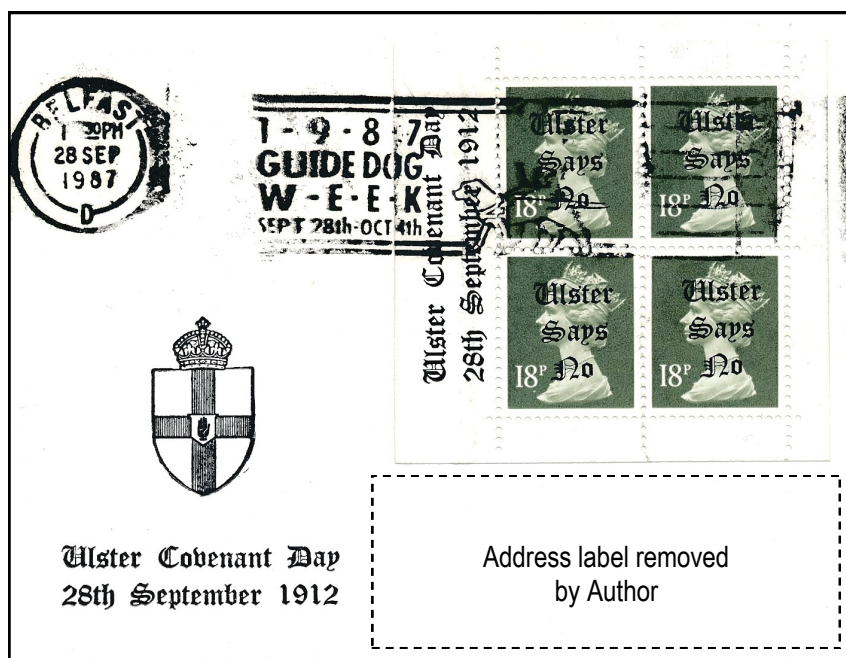
UPB13/T5 'Old English' script overprint

USED ON COVER EXAMPLES



UPB9/T5 Booklet Pane
Magherafelt Londonderry cancel
30 September 1987.

UPB12/T5 Booklet Pane
Belfast cancel
28 September 1987.



UPB13/T5 Booklet Pane
Magherafelt Londonderry cancel
30 September 1987.

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SECTION 8 'ULSTER SAYS NO' SLOGAN VARIETIES

TYPE 1 to 4 SLOGAN VARIETIES

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	OVERPRINT VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT SCRIPT (SIZE B)	INDIVIDUAL STAMP OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION
UP1a/T1	1p. X846 Crimson	V1a	‘Belfast’	Inverted overprint
UP1a/T2			‘Armagh’	
UP1a/T4		V1b	‘Londonderry’	Overlapping double overprint
UP3/T2	3p. X930 Bright Magenta	V3a	‘Armagh’	Inverted overprint
UP3/T3			‘Antrim’	
UP3/T4			‘Londonderry’	
UP4/T1	4p. X1002 Greenish-blue	V4a	‘Belfast’	Inverted overprint
UP4/T2			‘Armagh’	
UP4/T3			‘Antrim’	
UP4/T4			‘Londonderry’	
UP5/T1	5p. X1004a Claret	V5a	‘Belfast’	Inverted overprint
UP5/T2			‘Armagh’	
UP5/T3			‘Antrim’	
UP5/T4			‘Londonderry’	
UP5/T1		V5b	‘Belfast’	Overlapping double overprint
UP11/T2	18p. NI 46 Deep Olive-grey	V11a	‘Armagh’	Inverted overprint
UP11/T3			‘Antrim’	
UP11/T4			‘Londonderry’	
Minor slogan overprint misalignments in either the vertical or horizontal planes are not listed as varieties.				



UP3/T2B/V1a



UP4/T3B/V4a



UP5/T4B/V5a



UP11/T2B/V11a



UP5/T1B/V5b



UP1a/T1B Variety V1a

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UP1a/T4B Variety V1b

SLOGAN VARIETIES IN BLOCK COMBINATIONS - TYPE STYLE 1

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	COMBINATION VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT SCRIPT (SIZE B)	BLOCK COMBINATION WITH SLOGAN VARIETY DESCRIPTION
UP1a/T1B	1p. X846 Crimson	V1c	'Belfast'	Upright overprint & with no overprint
		V1d		Inverted overprint & with no overprint
		V1e		Upright overprint & inverted overprint
UP3/T1B	3p. X930 Bright Magenta	V3c	'Belfast'	Upright overprint & with nooverprint
UP4/T1B	4p. X1002 Greenish-blue	V4c	'Belfast'	Upright overprint & with no overprint
		V4e		Upright overprint & inverted overprint
UP5/T1B	5p. X1004a Claret	V5c	'Belfast'	Upright overprint & with no overprint
		V5d		Inverted overprint & with no overprint
		V5e		Upright overprint & inverted overprint
Combination variety references are assigned to block configurations and not to individual stamps.				
Minor slogan overprint misalignments in either the vertical or horizontal planes are not listed.				



UP1a/T1B Combination
Variety V1c



UP3/T1B Combination
Variety V3c



UP4/T1B Combination
Variety V4c



UP5/T1B Combination
Variety V5c

BLOCK COMBINATION VARIETIES - TYPE STYLE 1



UP1a/T1B Combination
Variety V1d



UP5/T1B Combination
Variety V5d

For more information
see listings on page 30



UP1a/T1B Combination
Variety V1e



UP4/T1B Combination
Variety V4e



UP5/T1B Combination
Variety V5e

GB BOOKLET PANE VARIETIES WITH TYPE 5 SLOGAN

POLITICAL PANE REFERENCE	STAMP REF. VALUE & COLOUR	PANE VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT TYPE	BOOKLET PANE VARIETY DESCRIPTION
UPB12	18p. X955 Deep Olive-grey	V12a	Type 5 Old English	'ULSTER SAYS NO' slogans omitted
		V12b		'Ulster Covenant Day' marginal slogan misplaced
UPB13	26p. X971b Rosine	V13a	Type 5 Old English	'ULSTER SAYS NO' slogans omitted
		V13b		'Ulster Covenant Day' marginal slogan misplaced

The overprinting of the booklet panes with Old English type script was carried out in two stages.

Stage 1
Ulster
Says
No

Stage 2
Ulster Covenant Day
28th September 1912

The four varieties shown below are as a direct result of this two stage printing process.



UPB12 Booklet Pane correctly printed



UPB12/V12a



UPB12/V12b



UPB13/V13a



UPB13/V13b

SECTION 9 COMPOSITE SLOGANS

PROOFS

The composite proofs shown in this section are referenced UPPC, and are made up of the four overprint script styles.

The normal composite setting displays the type styles from top down as 'Belfast', 'Armagh', 'Antrim' & 'Londonderry'. Composite settings use a 3 x 4 stereo and adopt the same application process as single type style proofs, for more detail, see page 18. Three of the proof block examples shown below (UPPC1a, UPPC1b, UPPC1c) display miscut stereo settings.

Composite slogan overprints are dimensionally smaller in size, compared with normal type 1 to 4 slogan overprints. In this publication the composite overprint size is referenced size C, see page 35 for details.

The background and reasoning behind the composite printings is unclear.

Type 1C 'Belfast' Script	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	T2C
Type 2C 'Armagh' Script	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	T3C
Type 3C 'Antrim' Script	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	T4C
Type 4C 'Londonderry' Script	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	T1C

UPPC1 Composite Proof - Normal matrix sequence

UPPC1a Composite Proof T2, T3, T4, T1

T3C	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	T4C
T4C	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	T1C
T1C	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	T2C
T2C	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	<i>ULSTER SAYS NO</i>	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	ULSTER SAYS NO	T3C

UPPC1b Composite Proof T3, T4, T1, T2

UPPC1c Composite Proof T4, T1, T2, T3

COMPOSITE SLOGANS ON GB & NI STAMPS

COMPOSITE BLOCK REFERENCE	BASIC STAMP DESCRIPTION		COMPOSITE OVERPRINT DESCRIPTION
	FACE VALUE & COLOUR	STAMP REFERENCE	
UPC6/1	12p. Bright Emerald	GB definitive X896 (Centre Phosphor Band)	Vertical strip with alternate overprint type styles T1 to T4 Size C.
UPC7	12½p. Light Emerald	NI definitive NI 36a (Left Phosphor Band)	Vertical strip with alternate overprint type styles T1 to T4 Size C.
UPC8a	13p. Pale Chestnut	NI definitive NI 37Ea (Left Phosphor Band)	Vertical strip with alternate overprint type styles T1 to T4 Size C.
UPC9	13p. Pale Chestnut	GB definitive X900 (Centre Phosphor Band)	Vertical strip with alternate overprint type styles T1 to T4 Size C.
UPC10a	17p. Grey - blue	NI definitive NI 43Ea (Phosphor Paper)	Vertical strip with alternate overprint type styles T1 to T4 Size C.
UPC12	18p. Deep Olive-grey	GB definitive X955 (Phosphor Paper)	Vertical strip with alternate overprint type styles T1 to T4 Size C.

TYPE STYLES

(Size C - see page 35 for details)

Type 1C - 'Belfast'

Type 2C - 'Armagh'

Type 3C - 'Antrim'

Type 4C - 'Londonderry'



UPC7

Composite Block
12½p. Northern Ireland Definitive
NI 36a
Questa (I) Left Band Phosphor
Cylinder Block Q3
Overprint Type styles top down
1, 2, 3, 4 Size C



UPC10a Composite Block

17p. Northern Ireland Definitive
NI 43Ea
Questa (II) Phosphor Paper
Cylinder Block Q2
Overprint Type styles top down 1, 2, 3, 4 Size C



UPC12 Composite Block

18p. GB Definitive
X955
Harrison Phosphor Paper
Cylinder Block 4
Overprint Type styles top down
1, 2, 3, 4 Size C

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COMPOSITE OVERPRINT VARIETIES

COMPOSITE BLOCK REFERENCE	VARIETY REFERENCE	BASIC STAMP DESCRIPTION		COMPOSITE OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION (OVERPRINTS SIZE C)
		FACE VALUE & COLOUR	STAMP REFERENCE	
UPC6/1	V6a	12p. Bright Emerald	GB definitive X896 (Centre Phosphor Band)	Inverted overprints type styles T1 to T4.
UPC7	V7a	12½p. Light Emerald	NI definitive NI 36a Questa (I) (Left Phosphor Band)	Inverted overprints type styles T1 to T4.
UPC8a	V8a	13p. Pale Chestnut	NI definitive NI 37Ea Questa (II) (Left Phosphor Band)	Inverted overprints type styles T1 to T4.
UPC9	V9a	13p. Pale Chestnut	GB definitive X900 (Centre Phosphor Band)	Inverted overprints type styles T1 to T4
UPC12	V12a	18p. Deep Olive-grey	GB definitive X955 (Phosphor Paper)	Inverted overprints type styles T1 to T4



UPC7/V7a Inverted Overprint Composite Block
Type styles from bottom up 1, 2, 3, 4 Size C
NI 36a Definitive. Cylinder Block Q1Q1

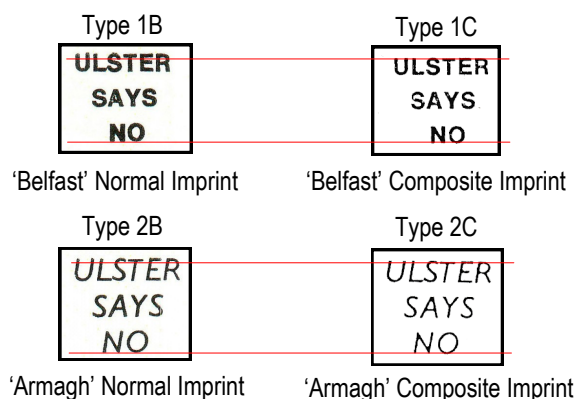


UPC9/V9a Inverted Overprint Composite Block
Type styles from bottom up 1, 2, 3, 4 Size C
X900 GB Definitive

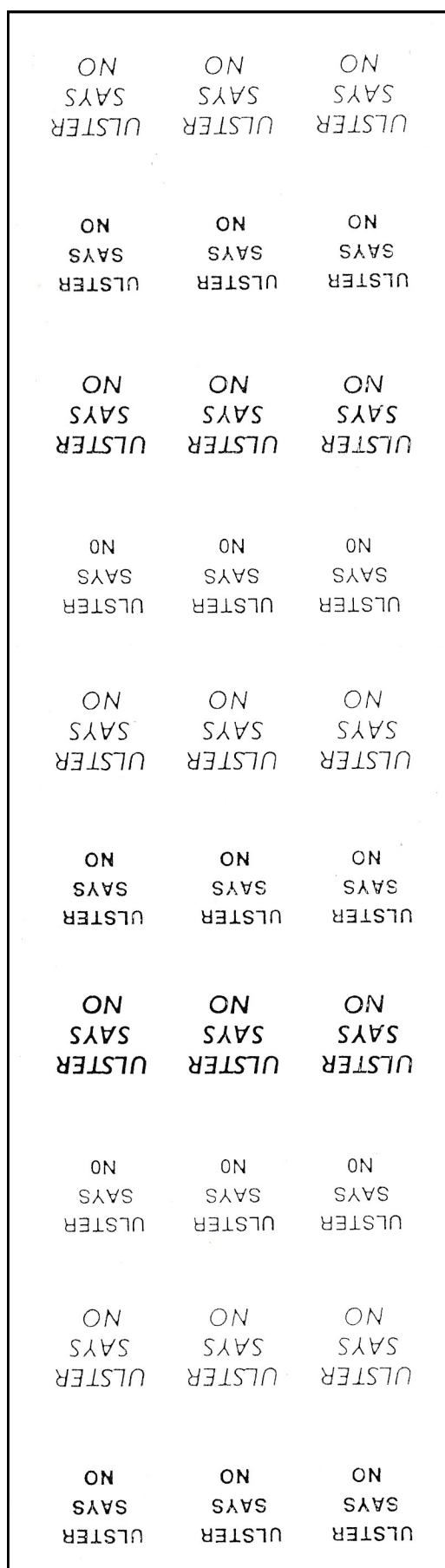
COMPOSITE OVERPRINT IMPRESSIONS

It is apparent that overprint font type styles 1 to 4 in use with composite printings occur with lighter impressions of the slogan overprint. As a result the height of overprints examined from composite printings, are smaller in size by > 0.5mm.

The examples shown display height variations from T1B - 'Belfast' and T2B - 'Armagh' overprint impressions. The composite overprint heights being less than normal impressions are classified as Type 1C to Type 4C in this section



COMPOSITE POLITICAL LABELS - INVERTED PROOF & BLOCK VARIETY



UPPC1 Multiple Composite Inverted Proof Block

(actual proof example in author's collection is made up of 3 complete 3 x 4 stereos)



UPC8a/V8a Inverted Composite Block

13p. Northern Ireland Definitive NI 37Ea

Questa (II) Left Phosphor Band. Cylinder Block Q1Q1

UNCLASSIFIED COMPOSITE OVERPRINT VARIETIES

The unclassified varieties displayed on pages 37 to 40 are not referenced, as they appear to be random and not replicated.

Of significance is the occurrence of composite overprint varieties arising with the 13p. GB definitive X900 blocks, which display a different type style sequence being - T2, T4, T3 & T1. The reason for this is not presently known.



A

12p. GB Stamp
Reference X896

T1C

T2C

T3C

T4C

T4C

T3C

T2C

T1C



B

T2C

T3C

T4C

T1C

T2C

T3C

T4C

T1C

T3C

T4C

UPC6/1 Composite Block Varieties

A Upper 4 rows upright misplaced overprints, lower 4 rows inverted overprints.

B Upper 7 rows misplaced with overlapping overprints with types T1C & T4C.
Harrison Cylinder Block 9.

UNCLASSIFIED COMPOSITE OVERPRINT VARIETIES



UPC9/V9a

Composite Block Varieties
Misplaced Inverted Overprints
T2C, T4C - 'R' of 'ULSTER' missing
T1C, T3C - 'I' for 'R' of 'ULSTER'



UPC9

Composite Block Varieties
Misplaced Overprints
Type style sequence variant Type 2, 4, 3, 1 Size C



UPC9

Composite Block Varieties - Misplaced Overprints
Type style sequence variant Type 2, 4, 3, 1 Size C
Harrison Cylinder Block 15.

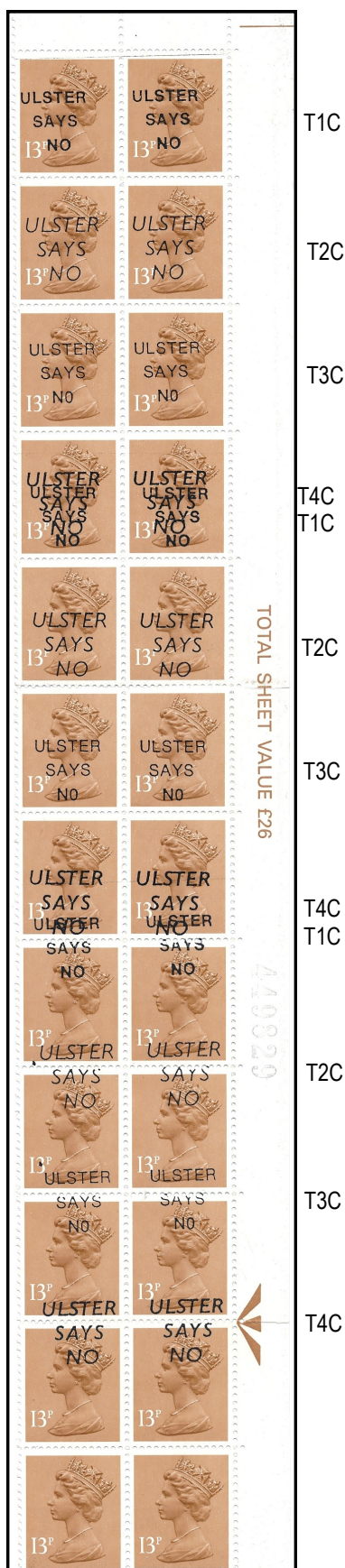


UPC9

Composite Block Varieties
Top row with no overprints
Second row sloping overprints Type 2C
Third row sloping overprints Type 4C

13. GB Stamp Reference X900

UNCLASSIFIED COMPOSITE OVERPRINT VARIETIES



UPC9 Composite Block
Misplaced, Missing & Overlapping
Overprints
Type style sequence Type 1, 2, 3, 4

Images reduced in size

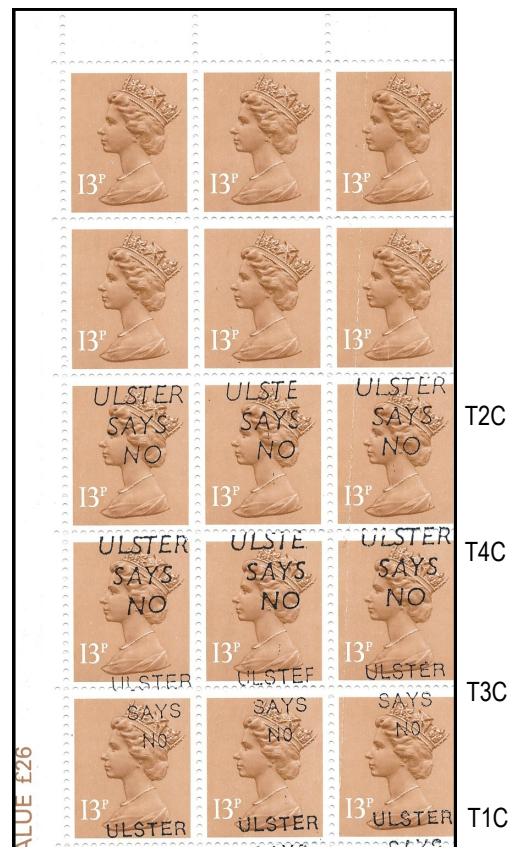


UPC9 Composite Block
Misplaced, Missing Overprints &
'ULSTER' misspelt 'ULSTE' & 'ULSTI'
Type style sequence Type 2, 4, 3, 1

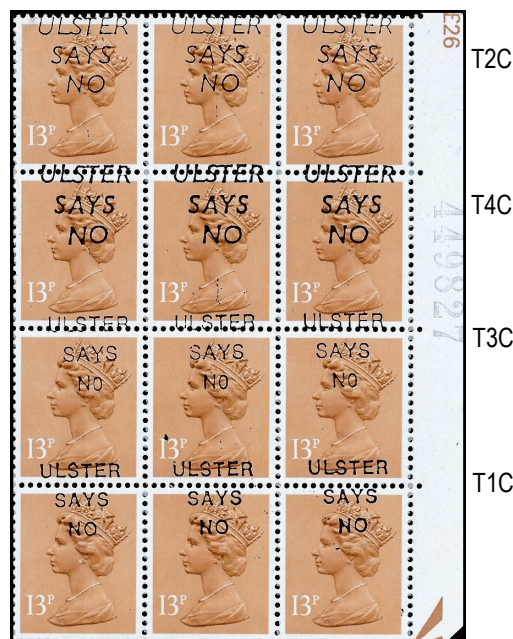


UPC9 Composite Block
Missing & Misplaced Inverted Overprints
Type style sequence Type 1, 3, 4, 2

13p. GB Stamp Reference X900

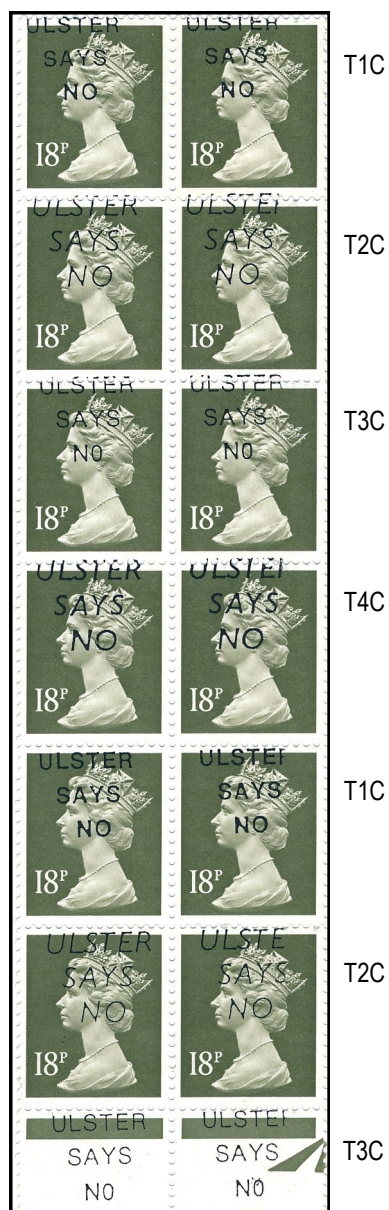


UPC9 Composite Block
Misplaced & Missing Overprints
Type style sequence Type 2, 4, 3, 1



UPC9 Composite Block
Misplaced Overprints
Type style sequence Type 2, 4, 3, 1

UNCLASSIFIED COMPOSITE OVERPRINT VARIETIES



UPC12 Composite Block
Misplaced Overprint Variants
'ULSTER' misspelt 'USLTE' & 'ULSTI'
Type style sequence Type 1, 2, 3, 4 Size C
Basic Stamp - X955 GB Definitive.

UPC12 Composite Block
Misplaced Inverted Overprints
Type style sequence Type 1, 2, 3, 4 Size C
Basic Stamp - X955 GB Definitive.
Cylinder Block 5.



SECTION 10 'ULSTER SAYS NO' SLOGAN TYPE 6

The provenance of overprinted stamps, which were released on divers dates in 1988, using the 'Times New Roman' style 'Ulster Says No' slogan overprint, is presently not known. Stamps with this script are referred to as type 6 overprints and found on low and high value definitive and commemorative stamps of the period. The type 6 overprint is found with different standard characteristics over and above listed varieties.

GB & NI STAMPS OVERPRINTED

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	BASIC STAMP WITH TYPE 6 OVERPRINT		
	FACE VALUE & COLOUR	STAMP REFERENCE	PRINTER & PHOSPHOR
UP14	1p. Crimson	GB definitive X846	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP15	2p. Myrtle Green	GB definitive X850	Questa Phosphor Paper
UP16	3p. Bright Magenta	GB definitive X930	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP17 Coil Stamp	4p. Pale Greenish-blue	GB definitive X932Ea	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP18	4p. New Blue	GB definitive X933	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP19	5p. Claret	GB definitive X1004a	Questa (I) Phosphor Paper
UP20	12p. Bright Emerald	NI definitive NI 35	Questa (I) Left Phosphor Band
UP21	13p. Pale Chestnut	NI definitive NI 37	Questa (II) Left Phosphor Band
UP22	13p. Pale Chestnut	GB definitive X900	Harrison Centre Phosphor Band
UP23	14p. Deep Blue	GB definitive X903	Harrison Centre Phosphor Band
UP24	17p. Grey-blue	NI definitive NI 43	Questa (I) Phosphor Paper
UP25	18p. Deep Olive-grey	NI definitive NI 46	Questa (II) Phosphor Paper
UP26	18p. Deep Olive - grey	GB definitive X955	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP27	19p. Bright Orange-red	NI definitive NI 49	Questa (II) Phosphor Paper
UP28	19p. Bright Orange-red	GB definitive X956	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP29	24p. Violet	GB definitive X967	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP30	35p. Sepia	GB definitive X988	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP31	50p. Ochre-brown	GB definitive X992	Harrison Phosphor Paper
UP32	1st. Class Booklet Blackish Brown	GB definitive X1450	Walsall 2 Phosphor Bands

Mint multiples and used on piece examples are shown on pages 41, 42 & 43.

Used examples display date cancels which confirm that type style 6 political labels were predominantly in use in 1988.

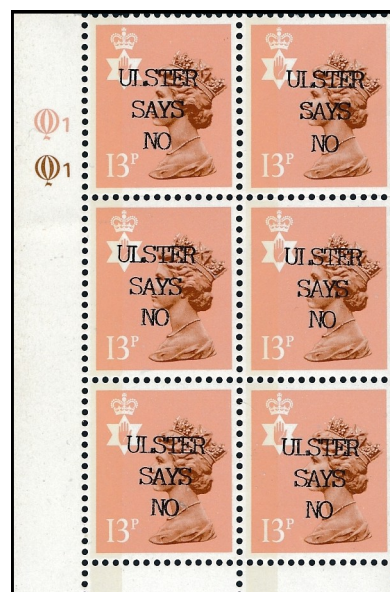
The UP17 example displays a 14mm wide overprint whereas UP21 is 10mm. The most common width encountered measures 12mm at its widest point. In order to differentiate for wide slogan overprints a 'w' suffix is added to the reference and for narrow overprints the suffix 'n'. The slogan overprint UP20 in use with the 12p. value is unique in that it displays a bolder impression with variations in font style, when compared with overprints found with other values from this series, see UP21 scan below.



UP17w Coil Stamps
(Coil strip reference UPC35)



UP20 Bold Setting



UP21n

SLOGAN TYPE 6 OVERPRINTS

Mint Stamps with Type 6 Overprint



UP22



UP26



UP27w Overprint misplaced downwards



UP23



UP24n



UP25n

Political Stamp References with Suffix

Suffix 'w' denotes 14mm wide overprint setting.

Suffix 'n' denotes 10mm narrow overprint setting.

References with no suffix denote the most common overprint setting.

For more details see page 44.



UP28

Used on Piece Stamps with Type 6 Overprint



UP14 - 1p, UP15 - 2p. 1988 cancel



UP16n April 1988 cancel



UP18n 1988 cancel

SLOGAN TYPE 6 OVERPRINTS

Used On Piece Stamps with Type 6 Overprint



UP19 February 1988 cancel

Variety V19a
GB X1004a
with no overprint
in pair with UP19



UP21



UP25



UP29

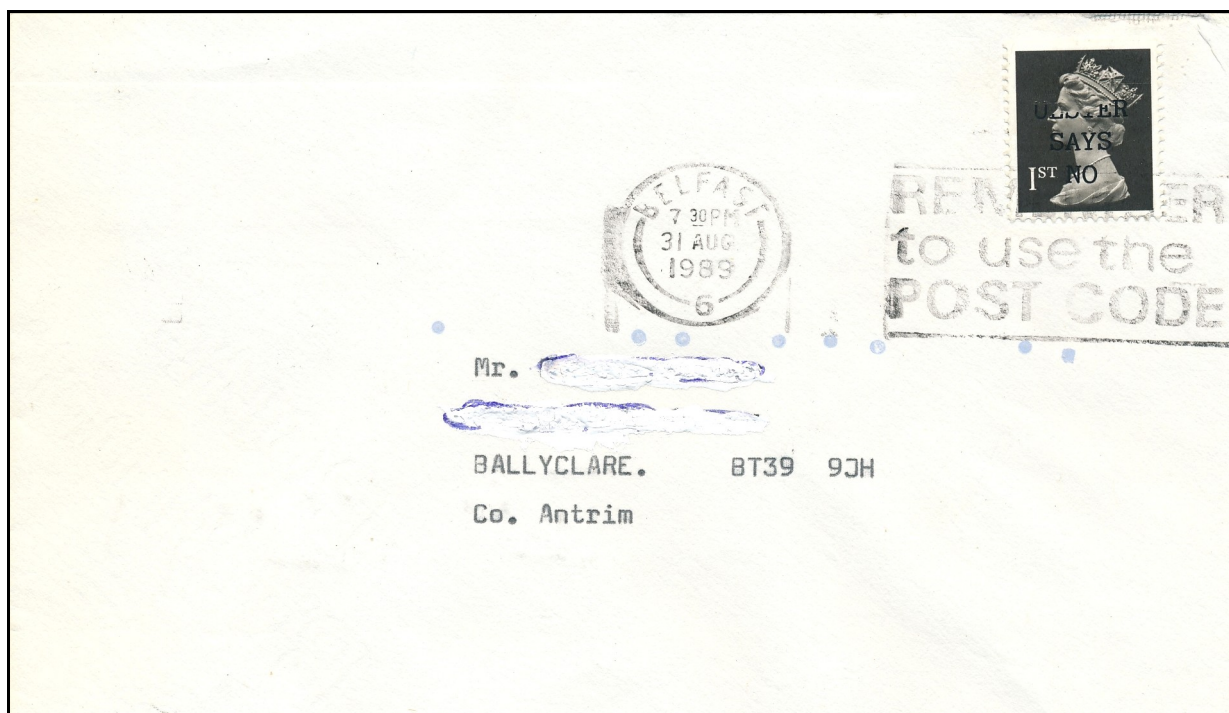


UP30w



UP31w February 1989 cancel

Used On Cover

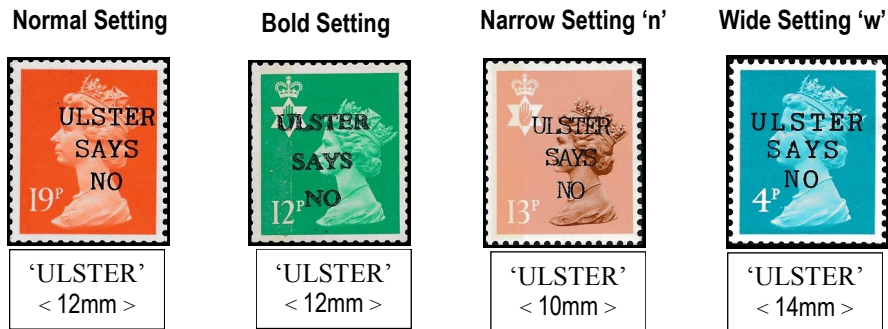


UP32 Booklet Stamp with Belfast cancel 31 August 1989

The mint and used examples displayed on pages 41, 42 & 43 validate the use of the type 6 slogan overprint, in its various forms, on nineteen GB & NI stamps with values from ranging from 1p. through to 50p., plus a 1st class used booklet stamp on cover.

TYPE 6 OVERPRINT SETTING VARIANTS

Stamps with type 6 slogan overprints were printed using three settings giving rise to differently sized impressions. These variants are consistent and therefore not listed as varieties in this review. In order to distinguish variants the suffix ‘n’ or ‘w’ is added to the political stamp reference, if applicable. If no suffix is appended the impression represents the most common setting in use, see examples below:



Bold Setting of slogan only found with UP20 slogan on NI 35.

TYPE 6 SLOGAN VARIETIES ON GB & NI STAMPS

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	OVERPRINT VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION
UP14	1p. X846 Crimson	V14a	‘SAYS’ not equidistant between ‘ULSTER’ and ‘NO’.
UP15	2p. X850 Myrtle Green	V15a	Impression with wide spacing between ‘ULSTER’, ‘SAYS’ & ‘NO’.
UP19	5p. X1004a Claret	V19a	UP19 political joined to X1004a, with no overprint. (vertical pair combination)



UP14/V14a

1988 cancel



UP15/V15a



February 1988 cancel

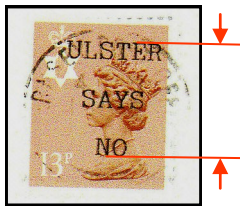
UP19/V19a

TYPE 6 SLOGAN VARIETIES ON GB & NI STAMPS

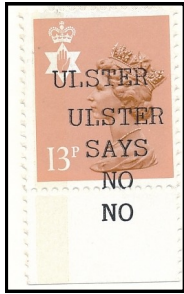
POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	OVERPRINT VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION (individual stamps or in block combinations)
UP21	13p. NI 37 Pale Chestnut	V21a	Overprint impression height 15mm, normal >10mm.
		V21b	Inverted overprint impression.
		V21c	Major misprint of slogan overprint, double entry of 'ULSTER' & 'NO'.
UP21a	13p. NI 37Ea Pale Chestnut	V21b	Inverted overprint impression.
UP22	13p. X900 Pale Chestnut	V22a	Narrow spacing 'ULSTER' & 'SAYS'.
		V22b	Inverted overprint impression.
UP23	14p. X903 Deep Blue	V23a	Wide spacing between 'SAYS' & 'NO' with 'N' in 'NO' out of line.



UP21/V21b
County Antrim cancel
April 1988



UP21/V21a



UP21/V21c



UP22 x 3 & UP22/V22a x 3

(Part scan from block with UP22 x 9 & UP22/V22a x 3)



NI 37Ea x 3, UP21a x 3
& UP21a/V21b x 2



UP22 x 4 & UP22/V22b x 4



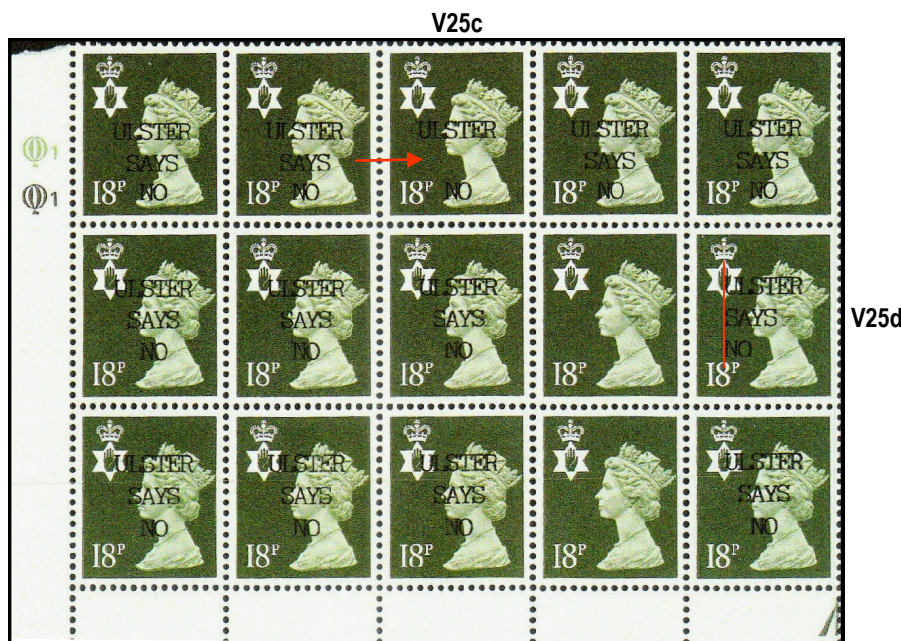
UP23 x 7 & UP23/V23a

TYPE 6 SLOGAN VARIETIES ON GB & NI STAMPS

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	OVERPRINT VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION (individual stamps or in block combinations)
UP24	17p. NI 43 Grey-blue	V24a	Inverted overprint impression.
UP25	18p. NI 46 Deep Olive-grey	V25a	Inverted overprint impression.
		V25b	'ulster' in lower case with 'SAYS' & 'NO' omitted.
		V25c	'SAYS' omitted.
		V25d	Slogan misprinted with 'U', 'S' & 'N' in line
		V25d	'NO' shift left with 'N' under 'S' of 'SAYS'.



UP24/V24a



NI 46 x 2, UP25 x 11, UP25/V25c top row, stamp 3
& UP25/V25d middle row, stamp 5.



UP25/V25a x 6



UP25/V25a
Belfast cancel 22 March 1988



UP25/V25b



UP25/V25d

TYPE 6 SLOGAN VARIETIES ON GB & NI STAMPS

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	OVERPRINT VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION (individual stamps or in block combinations)
UP26	18p. X955 Deep Olive-grey	V26a	Inverted overprint.
		V26b	Overprint setting height 15mm, normal >10mm.
		V26c	'ULSTER' only, 'SAYS' & 'NO' omitted.
		V26d	'ULSTER' sloping down from left to right, 'SAYS' & 'NO' level.
		V26e	Narrow overprint setting height 9mm, normal >10mm.

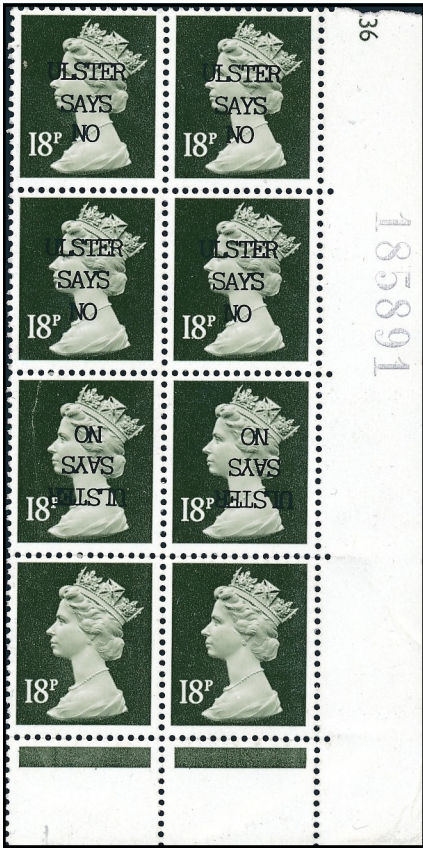


UP21

UP26/V26b

NI 37

Belfast cancel 7 April 1988



X955 x 2, UP26 x 4, UP26/V26a x 2



UP26/V26c



UP26/V26e

cancel 7 April 1988



X955 x 2, UP26 x 5, UP26/V26d

TYPE 6 SLOGAN VARIETIES ON GB & NI STAMPS

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	OVERPRINT VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION (individual stamps or in block combinations)
UP27	19p. NI 49 Bright Orange-red	V27a	Downward shift of slogan overprint.
UP28	19p. X956 Bright Orange-red	V28a	Overprint height 13mm, normal >10mm, 'ULSTER' & 'SAYS' wide spaced.
		V28b	Misspelling - 'ULSTERU SAYSSA NONON' for 'ULSTER SAYS NO'.
		V28c	Misspelling - 'LSTERUL YSSAYS ONONO' for 'ULSTER SAYS NO'.
		V28d	Misspelling - 'ULSTERU SAYSS NON' for 'ULSTER SAYS NO'.
		V28e	Misspelling - 'ULSTERU SAYAS NON' for 'ULSTER SAYS NO'.

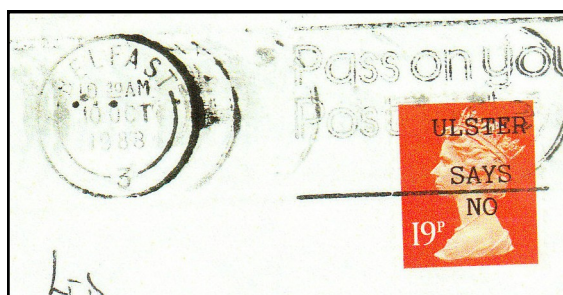


UP27/V27a x 6 partial shift, x 6 with major shift



UP28 x 4, UP28/V28a x 2

UP28/V28a
Belfast cancel
10 October 1988



UP 28 x 2, UP28/V28b,
UP28/V28c, UP28/V28d x 2



UP28/V28e
Belfast cancel
10 October 1988

COIL AND BOOKLET STAMPS WITH TYPE 6 SLOGAN

POLITICAL COIL & BOOKLET REFERENCE	BASIC STAMP WITH TYPE 6 SLOGAN OVERPRINT				
	DESCRIPTION	FACE VALUE & COLOUR	STAMP REFERENCE	PRINTER & PHOSPHOR	OVERPRINT DETAIL
UPC35	Coil Strip 4p,4p,2p,4p	4p. Pale Greenish-blue 2p. Myrtle-green	GB definitives 3 x X932Ea & 1 x X928	Harrison Phosphor Paper	Overprint upright
UPB36/1 UPB36/2	Cylinder B26 No Cylinder	14p. Deep Blue	GB definitive 4 x X903n	Harrison Centre Band	Overprint sideways
UPB37	Booklet Pane Cylinder B27	14p. Deep Blue	GB definitive 10 x X903n	Harrison Centre Band	Overprint sideways
UPB38	Booklet Pane Cylinder B16	19p. Bright Orange-red	GB definitive 4 x X956n	Harrison Phosphor Paper	Overprint sideways
UPB39	Booklet Pane Cylinder B16	19p. Bright Orange-red	GB definitive 4 x X956n	Harrison Phosphor Paper	Overprint upright
UPB40	Booklet Pane Cylinder B12	19p. Bright Orange-red	GB definitive 10 x X956n	Harrison Phosphor Paper	Overprint upright



UPC35 Coil Strip on part cover. Belfast cancel 10 October 1988

Booklet panes were printed by Harrison on a 'Chambon' press and were comb perforated. Upper and lower stamp margins are imperforate.

Covers were printed by Harrison & Sons and Walsall Security Printers - see detail on examples below.



UPB 36/1 Booklet Cover & Pane by Harrison. Cylinder Number B26 (printed on pane, top left margin)



UPB 36/2 Booklet Cover by Walsall, Pane by Harrison. No Cylinder Number

BOOKLET STAMPS WITH TYPE 6 SLOGAN



UPB37 Booklet Pane Cylinder Number B27. Overprint sideways, width 12mm.

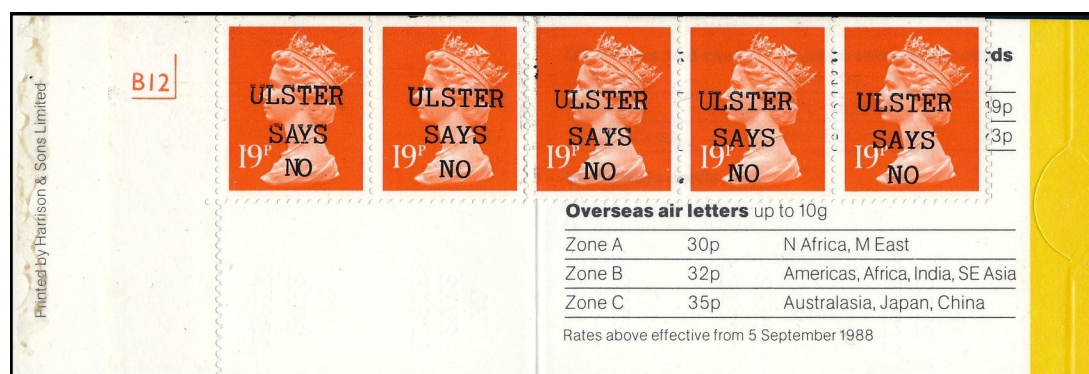


UPB38 Part Booklet Pane. Overprint sideways, width 12mm.



UPB39 Part Booklet Pane.
Overprint upright, width 12mm.

UPB39w Part Booklet Pane Cylinder Number B12.
Overprint upright, width 14mm.



UPB40 Part Booklet Pane Cylinder Number B12.
Overprint upright, width 12mm.

The examples of coil strips and booklets are from the author's collection, and is far from complete. It is hoped that in the course of time more information will be uncovered, regarding coil strips and booklet panes, overprinted using 'Times New Roman' script.

BOOKLET PANE STAMPS WITH TYPE 6 SLOGAN

PANE VARIETIES



UPB40w Booklet Pane Cylinder Number B12.

Overprint upright, width 14mm.

Varieties

UPB40w/V40a 'NO' of slogan wide spaced from 'SAYS' Row 1, Stamp 2

UPB40w/V40b 'NO' of slogan closely set to 'SAYS' Row 1, Stamps 1, 3, 4, 5 & Row 2, Stamps 1 to 5.

BOOKLET PANE STAMPS USED ON COVER



UPB36/UPB37 Used Stamp from Booklet Pane.

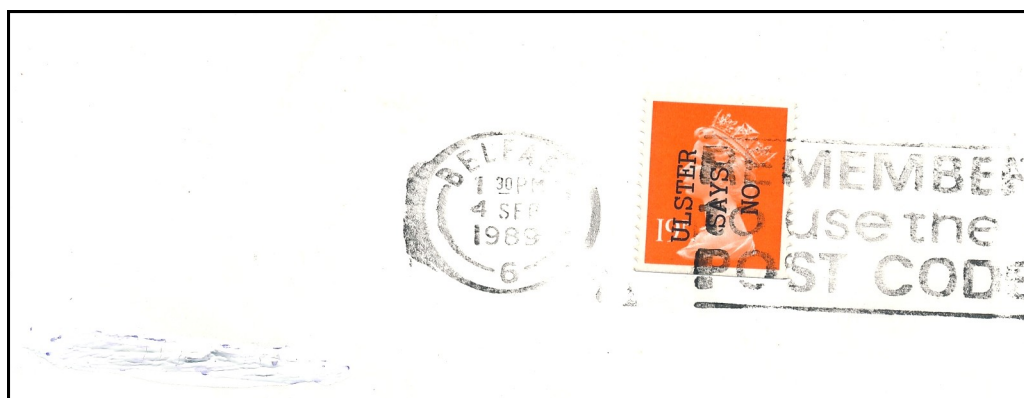
Belfast cancel 4 September 1989.

X903n Lower margin imperforate.



UPB36/UPB37 Used Stamp from Booklet Pane.

X903n Upper margin imperforate.



UPB38/UPB39 Used Stamp from Booklet Pane. Belfast cancel 4 September 1989.

X956n Lower margin imperforate.



UPB38/UPB39 Used Stamp from Booklet Pane. Belfast cancel 5 September 1989.

X956n Lower margin imperforate.

HIGH VALUE STAMPS WITH 'ULSTER SAYS NO' SLOGAN

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	DESCRIPTION OF BASIC STAMP WITH TYPE 6 OVERPRINT
UP45	£1 SG1410 Deep Green	Carrickfergus Castle, Northern Ireland. High value definitive released 18 October 1988 by British Post Office.
UP46	£2 SG1412 Indigo	Edinburgh Castle, Scotland. High value definitive released 18 October 1988 by British Post Office.



UP45

Bournemouth, Poole cancel 19 October 1988.



UP46

Broomfield Road Post Office, Coventry, Midlands cancel 20 October 1988.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS WITH ULSTER SAYS NO' TYPE 6 SLOGAN

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP REF. FACE VALUE & COLOUR	DESCRIPTION OF BASIC STAMP IN USE WITH TYPE 6 OVERPRINT	OVERPRINT TYPE
UP47	9p. SG 1087 Multi - colour	Horseracing Paintings 'Saddling Mahmoud for the Derby 1936' Date of issue 1979.	Type 6
UP48	18p. SG 1388 Multi - colour	Sports Organisations 'Gymnastics' Date of issue 1988	Type 6 upper case
UP48a			Type 6 lower case

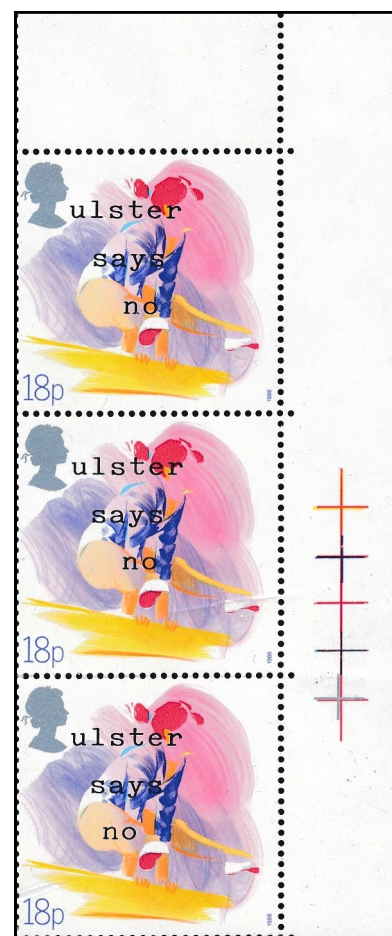


UP48a

Belfast cancel 8 April 1988



UP48



UP48a



UP22

UP48a

SLOGAN OVERPRINT VARIETY

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	VARIETY REFERENCE	OVERPRINT VARIETY DESCRIPTION
UP47	V47a	'ULSTER SYS NO' for 'ULSTER SAYS NO'

UP47/V47a
cancel 23 March 1988



SECTION 11 CYLINDER & PLATE BLOCK MARKINGS

Machin definitive stamps in 20 x 10 sheets, were printed by Messrs Harrison & Sons (HS) and the House of Questa (HQ). Post Office sheets printed by these two firms were subsequently overprinted with the 'ULSTER SAYS NO' slogan, adopting the 'Belfast', 'Armagh', 'Antrim' or 'Londonderry' type styles.

This section highlights the cylinder block markings and forms adopted by the two printing firms, together with a call back to the individual slogan overprint type style in use.

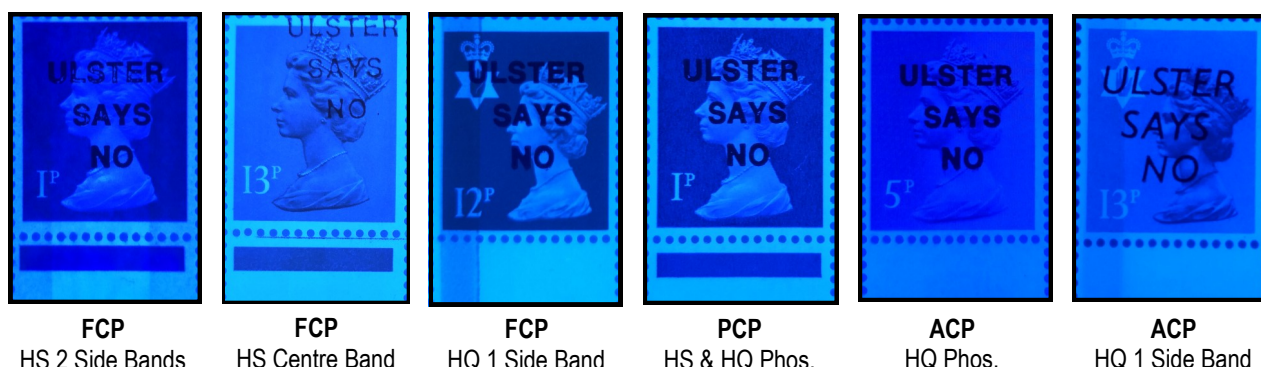
PRINTING PAPERS

The paper characteristics and the use of phosphor bands by the two print firms is summarised as follows:

1) Fluorescent Coated Paper (FCP) - white paper, which is very fluorescent under UV light. Stamps printed by Harrison display two phosphor bands, or a centre band, whereas printings by Questa adopt the use of a single left side phosphor band.

2) Phosphor Coated Paper (PCP) - semi shiny phosphor surface coating, with a strong afterglow under UV light. Both printing firms used PCP.

3) Advance Coated Paper (ACP) - phosphor coated paper in use by Questa, paper similar to Harrison PCP, but with less brightness under UV. ACP coated paper also in use with the addition of a phosphor band.



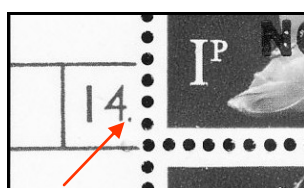
GUMS IN USE

Polyvinyl Alcohol (PVA) - gum with a slightly creamy white texture.

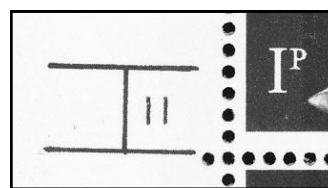
Polyvinyl Alcohol Dextrine (PVAD) - matt tinted gum with a green bluish dye. Dextrine is a starch based adhesive. In this publication the term 'Dextrine' is used in place of references to PVAD gum.

HARRISON PRINTINGS

Harrison used the photogravure process to print GB stamps using two different cylinder block (CB) marking forms, which are shown below. Basically the block marking variant relates to the addition of a dot or with no dot, after the plate number.



UP1a Cylinder 14. - With Dot



UP1 Cylinder 11 - No Dot

HARRISON CYLINDERS (GB STAMPS) WITH TYPE T1 - T4 SLOGAN

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP FACE VALUE	BASIC STAMP REFERENCE	SLOGAN TYPE STYLE	CYLINDERS RECORDED		POSSIBLE CYLINDERS (tbc)	
				With Dot	No Dot	With Dot	No Dot
UP1	1p.	X844	T1	11.	11 12	12.	-
UP1a	1p.	X846	T1	12. 14.	14	15. 17.	12 15 17
UP3	3p.	X930	T1 - T4	38. 43.	38 43	46.	46
UP12	18p	X955	T1 - T4	4. 5.	4 5	-	-

Harrison cylinder block examples found with GB stamps are shown on pages 55, 56 & 57.

HARRISON CYLINDER BLOCK EXAMPLES

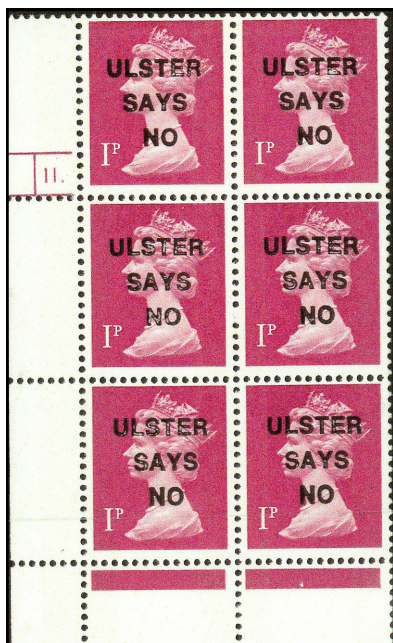
GB 1p. Definitive

Crimson

Cylinder block examples,
with 'Belfast' Type 1 size B
slogan overprints.

UP1 blocks occur with the
basic GB definitive stamp
reference X844.
(2 phosphor bands)

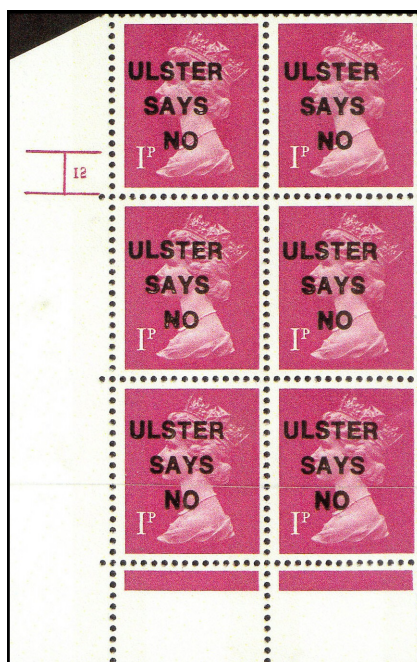
UP1a blocks occur with the
basic GB definitive stamp
reference X846.
(All over phosphor)



UP1/T1B X844
Harrison Cylinder 11. (with dot)
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. Dextrine Gum
Two Phosphor Bands



UP1/T1B X844
Harrison Cylinder 11 (no dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper FCP. Dextrine Gum
Two Phosphor Bands



UP1/T1B X844
Harrison Cylinder 12 (no dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper FCP. Dextrine Gum
Two Phosphor Bands



UP1a/T1B X846
Harrison Cylinder 12. (with dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP1a/T1B X846
Harrison Cylinder 14. (with dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor

HARRISON CYLINDER BLOCK EXAMPLES

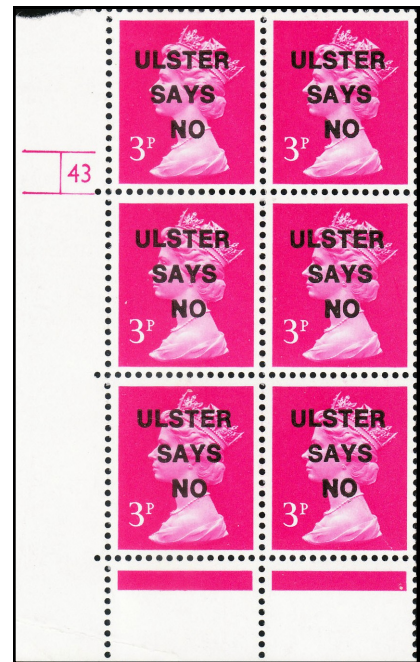
GB 3p. Definitive

Bright Magenta
Cylinder block examples,
with T1 'Belfast', T2 'Armagh',
T3 'Antrim', T4 'Londonderry'
size B slogan overprints.

UP3 blocks occur with the basic
GB definitive stamp
reference X930.
(All over phosphor)



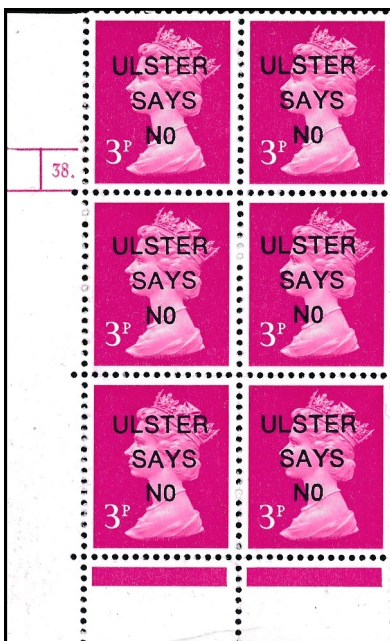
UP3/T1B X930
Harrison Cylinder 38. (with dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP3/T1B X930
Harrison Cylinder 43 (no dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP3/T2B X930
Harrison Cylinder 43 (no dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP3/T3B X930
Harrison Cylinder 38. (with dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP3/T4B X930
Harrison Cylinder 43 (no dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor

HARRISON CYLINDER BLOCK EXAMPLES

GB 18p. Definitive

Deep Olive-grey
Cylinder block examples
with T1 'Belfast', T2 'Armagh',
T3 'Antrim', T4 'Londonderry'
size B slogan overprints.

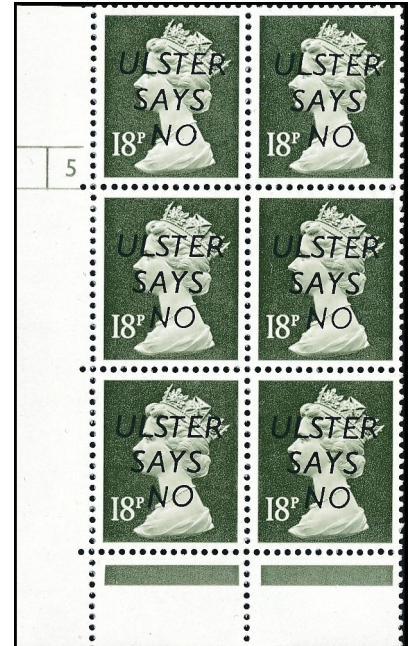
UP 12 blocks occur with the
basic GB definitive stamp
reference X955.
(All over phosphor)



UP12/T1B X955
Harrison Cylinder 4. (with dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP12/T2B X955
Harrison Cylinder 5. (with dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP12/T2B X955
Harrison Cylinder 5 (no dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



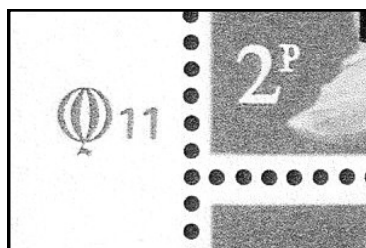
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Harrison Cylinder 5. (with dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



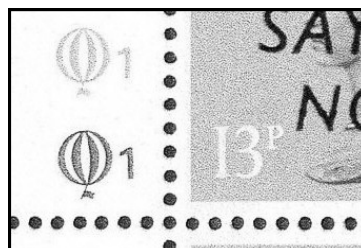
UP12/T4B X955
Harrison Cylinder 5 (no dot)
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor

QUESTA PRINTINGS

The House of Questa were contracted to print GB and Northern Ireland (NI) Machin definitive stamps. Questa lithography printings of GB stamps used a single plates, whereas NI regional stamps adopted the use of two plates, with the exception of the 17p. stamp, see listings below.



Questa Single Plate Marking
GB Definitive Stamps & 17p. NI Stamp



Questa Two Plate Marking
NI Regional Definitive Stamps

Questa printings of GB and NI definitive stamps display important print characteristics, which are:

- Questa (I) - printings display a matrix of tiny dots which make up the coloured background of the stamp.
- Questa (II) - clear outlines to value and frame and the background colour of stamp is solid, with no visible dots.
- Additionally with Northern Ireland Questa (I) printings, the three pearls to the left of the crown over the 'hand' are individually drawn, whereas with Questa (II) printings the first three pearls to the left of the crown are joined.

QUESTA PLATES (GB STAMPS) IN USE WITH SLOGAN TYPE STYLES T1 - T4

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP FACE VALUE	BASIC STAMP REFERENCE	QUESTA PRINT CHARACTERISTIC	SLOGAN TYPE STYLE	PLATES RECORDED (Single Plate Marking)	POSSIBLE PLATES (tbc)
UP2	2p.	X1000	Questa (I)	T1	Q11,Q14,Q15,Q16,Q17	Q7,Q8,Q9,Q10,Q12 Q13,Q18,Q19,Q20
UP4	4p.	X1002	Questa (II)	T1 - T4	Q1,Q5,Q6,Q7,Q8	Q2,Q3,Q4
UP5	5p.	X1004a	Questa (I)	T1 - T4	Q8,Q10,Q13,Q14,Q15 Q16,Q17,Q18,Q19,Q20 Q21,Q22,Q23,Q25,Q26	Q5,Q6,Q7,Q9,Q11 Q12,Q24,Q27

QUESTA PLATES (NI STAMPS) IN USE WITH SLOGAN TYPE STYLES T1

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP FACE VALUE	BASIC STAMP REFERENCE	QUESTA PRINT CHARACTERISTIC	SLOGAN TYPE STYLE	PLATES RECORDED (Single Plate Marking)	POSSIBLE PLATES (tbc)
UP10	17p.	NI 43	Questa (I)	T1	No plate examples seen, but blocks of both in hand.	Q1,Q2
UP10a	17p.	NI 43Ea	Questa (II)	T1		Q1,Q2

QUESTA PLATES (NI STAMPS) IN USE WITH SLOGAN TYPE STYLES T1 - T4

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP FACE VALUE	BASIC STAMP REFERENCE	QUESTA PRINT CHARACTERISTIC	SLOGAN TYPE STYLE	PLATES RECORDED (Two Plate Markings)	POSSIBLE PLATES (tbc)
UP6	12p.	NI 35	Questa (II)	T1	Q2Q2	Q1Q1,Q3Q3,Q4Q4
UP8	13p.	NI 37	Questa (I)	T1 - T4	Q1Q1,Q2Q2	Q3Q3,Q4Q4
UP8a	13p.	NI 37Ea	Questa (II)	T1 - T4	Q1Q1,Q2Q2	-
UP11	18p.	NI 46	Questa (II)	T1 - T4	Q1Q1,Q2Q2,Q3Q3,Q4Q4	-

The Questa plate listings are from the author's private collection and are considered to be incomplete.

Questa plate block examples found with GB stamps are shown on pages 59, 60 & 61 and for NI on pages 62, 63 & 64.

QUESTA GB PLATE BLOCK EXAMPLES

GB 2p. Definitive

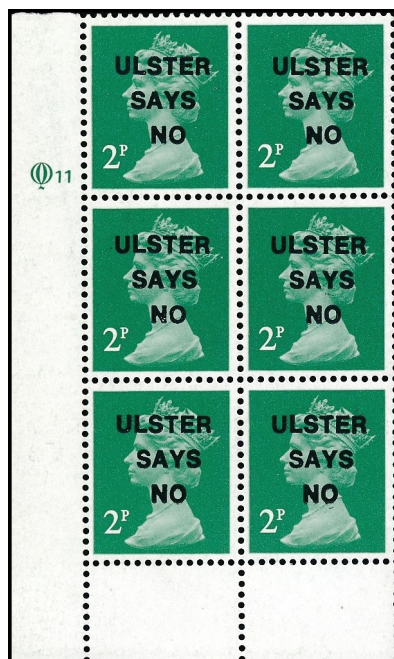
Emerald-green

Single Plate block examples
with 'Belfast' type 1 size B
slogan overprints.

UP 2 blocks occur with the
basic GB definitive stamp
reference X1000.

Print Form
Questa (I) print characteristic.

(All over phosphor)



UP2/T1B X1000
Questa Q (I) Plate Q11
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP2/T1B X1000
Questa Q (I) Plate Q14
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP2/T1B X1000
Questa Q (I) Plate Q15
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP2/T1B X1000
Questa Q (I) Plate Q16
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP2/T1B X1000 Scarce
Questa Q (I) Plate Q17
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor

QUESTA GB PLATE BLOCK EXAMPLES

GB 4p. Definitive

Greenish-blue

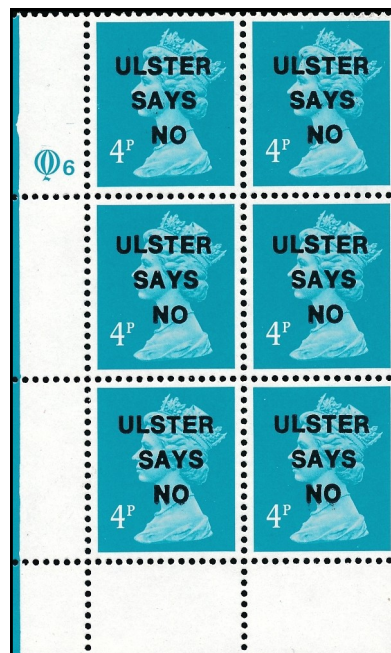
Single Plate block examples
with T1 'Belfast', T2 'Armagh',
T3 'Antrim', T4 'Londonderry'
size B slogan overprints.

UP 4 blocks occur with the
basic GB definitive stamp
reference X1002.

Print Form
Questa (II) print characteristic.
(All over phosphor))



UP4/T1B X1002
Questa Q (II) Plate Q1
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP1/T1B X1002
Questa Q (II) Plate Q6
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP4/T2B X1002
Questa Q (II) Plate Q8
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP4/T3B X1002
Questa Q (II) Plate Q8
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



Print Form
Questa Q (II)
Background colour solid
& clear outline to the value



UP4/T4B X1000 Scarce
Questa Q (II) Plate Q8
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor

QUESTA GB PLATE BLOCK EXAMPLES

GB 5p. Definitive

Claret

Single Plate block examples
with T1 'Belfast', T2 'Armagh',
T3 'Antrim', T4 'Londonderry'
size B slogan overprints.

UP 5 blocks occur with the
basic GB definitive stamp
reference X1004a.

Print Form

Questa (I) print characteristic.

(All over phosphor)



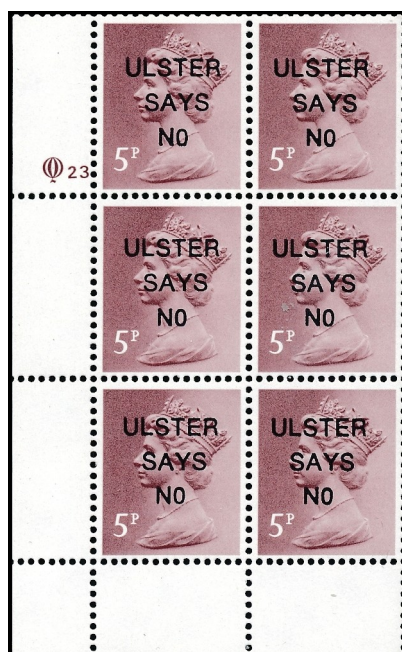
UP5/T1B X1004a
Questa Q (I) Plate Q8
Perforated Left Margin
Paper PCP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



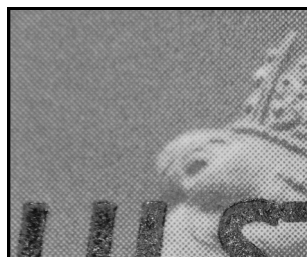
UP5/T1B X1004a
Questa Q (I) Plate Q13
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



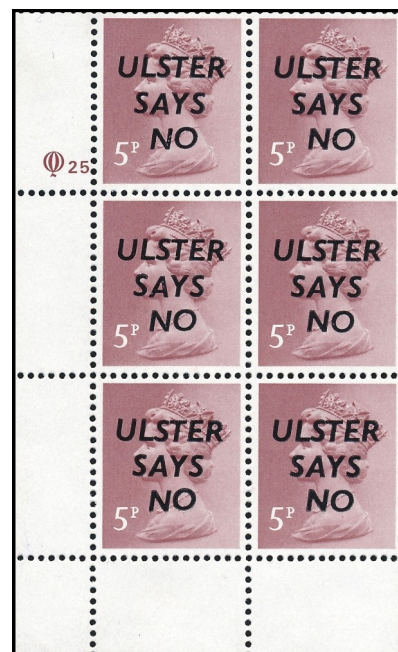
UP5/T2B X1004a
Questa Q (I) Plate Q15
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP5/T3B X1004a
Questa Q (I) Plate Q23
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



Print Form
Questa Q (I)
Background colour
formed by matrix of dots.



UP5/T4B X1004a
Questa Q (I) Plate Q25
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor

QUESTA NI PLATE BLOCK EXAMPLES

NI 12p. Definitive

Bright Emerald

Two Plate block example
with T1 size B 'Belfast'
slogan overprint.

UP 6 blocks occur with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 35.

Print Form

Questa (II) print characteristic.

(Left phosphor band)



UP4/T1B NI 35
Questa Q (II) Plate Q2Q2
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. Dextrine Gum
Left Phosphor Band



Left Phosphor Band



UP8/T2B NI 37
Questa Q (I) Plate Q2Q2
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. Dextrine Gum
Left Phosphor Band

NI 13p. Definitive

Pale Chestnut

Two Plate block examples
with T2 'Armagh', T3 'Antrim'

T4 'Londonderry'

size B slogan overprint.
Lower 'Q' plate marking
grey colour.

UP 8 blocks occur with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 37.

Print Form

Questa (I) print characteristic.

(Left side phosphor band)



UP8/T3B NI 37
Questa Q (I) Plate Q2Q2
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. Dextrine Gum
Left Phosphor Band



Plate Markings
Brown & Grey



UP8/T4B NI 37
Questa Q (I) Plate Q2Q2
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. Dextrine Gum
Left Phosphor Band

QUESTA NI PLATE BLOCK EXAMPLES

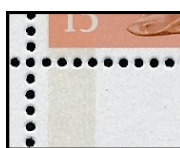
NI 13p. Definitive

Pale Chestnut

Two Plate block examples
with T1 'Belfast', T2 'Armagh',
T3 'Antrim', T4 'Londonderry'
size B slogan overprint.
Lower 'Q' plate marking
brown colour.

UP 8a blocks occur with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 37Ea.

Print Form
Questa (II) print characteristic.
(Left phosphor band)



Left Phosphor Band



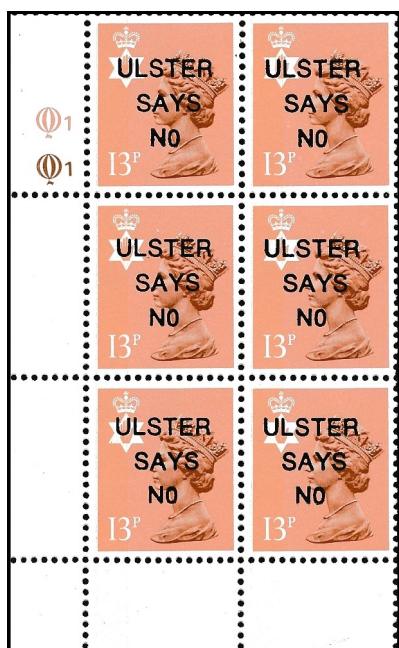
UP8a/T1B NI 37Ea
Questa Q (II) Plate Q1Q1
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. PVA Gum
Left Phosphor Band



UP8a/T1B NI 37Ea
Questa Q (II) Plate Q2Q2
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. PVA Gum
Left Phosphor Band



UP8a/T2B NI 37Ea
Questa Q (II) Plate Q2Q2
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. PVA Gum
Left Phosphor Band



UP8a/T3B NI 37Ea
Questa Q (II) Plate Q1Q1
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. PVA Gum
Left Phosphor Band



Plate Markings
Brown & Brown



UP8a/T4B NI 37
Questa Q (II) Plate Q1Q1
Perforated Left Margin
Paper FCP. PVA Gum
Left Phosphor Band

QUESTA NI PLATE BLOCK EXAMPLES

NI 18p. Definitive

Deep Olive-grey

Two Plate block examples
with T1 'Belfast', T2 'Armagh',
T3 'Antrim', T4 'Londonderry'
size B slogan overprints.

UP 11 blocks occur with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 46.

Print Form

Questa (II) print characteristic.

(All over phosphor)



UP11/T1B NI 46 Scarce
Questa Q (II) Plate Q3Q3
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP11/T1B NI 46 Scarce
Questa Q (II) Plate Q4Q4
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP11/T2B NI 46
Questa Q (II) Plate Q2Q2
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP11/T3B NI 46
Questa Q (II) Plate Q1Q1
Imperforate Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor



UP11/T4B NI 46
Questa Q (II) Plate Q2Q2
Perforated Left Margin
Paper ACP. Dextrine Gum
All Over Phosphor

CYLINDERS & PLATES WITH 'COMPOSITE' SLOGAN

This sub-section examines Harrison and Questa sheet printings of GB & NI definitive stamps, which were overprinted with a composition of political labels. The term composition refers to the use of the four type styles known as T1, T2, T3 & T4 being overprinted on the same sheet, see section 9 for more information.

HARRISON (GB) STAMPS WITH COMPOSITE SLOGAN OVERPRINTS

POLITICAL SLOGAN COMPOSITE REFERENCE	STAMP FACE VALUE	BASIC STAMP REFERENCE	COMPOSITE SLOGAN TYPE STYLES	CYLINDERS RECORDED	
				With Dot	No Dot
UPC6/1	12p.	X896	T1+T2+T3+T4	-	9
UPC9	13p.	X900	T2+T4+T3+T1	15.	-
UPC12	18p.	X955	T1+T2+T3+T4	5.	4

Above listings are from the author's private collection and are considered to be incomplete

GB 12p. Definitive

Bright Emerald

Composite Overprint
with variants.

UPC6/1 occurs with
the basic GB definitive
stamp reference X896.

Harrison Cylinder 9
(no dot)

Paper FCP
Dextrine Gum

Centre Phosphor Band



GB 13p. Definitive

Pale Chestnut

Composite Overprint
sequence T2,T4,T3,T1

UPC9 occurs with the
basic GB definitive
stamp reference X900.

Harrison Cylinder 15.
(with dot)

Paper FCP
Dextrine Gum

Centre Phosphor Band



GB 18p. Definitive

Deep Olive-grey

Composite Overprint
T1,T2,T3,T4

UPC12 occurs with the
basic GB definitive
stamp reference X955.

Harrison Cylinder 4
(no dot)

Paper PCP.
Dextrine Gum

All Over Phosphor



GB 18p. Definitive

Deep Olive-grey

Composite Inverted
Overprint

UPC12 occurs with the
basic GB definitive
stamp reference X955.

Harrison Cylinder 5.
(with dot)

Paper PCP
Dextrine Gum

All Over Phosphor



Images reduced in size

QUESTA (NI) STAMPS WITH COMPOSITE SLOGAN

POLITICAL SLOGAN COMPOSITE REFERENCE	STAMP FACE VALUE	BASIC STAMP REFERENCE	COMPOSITE SLOGAN TYPE STYLES	PLATES MARKINGS RECORDED	
				Single Plate & (Characteristic)	Two Plate & (Characteristic)
UPC7	12½p.	NI 36a	T1+T2+T3+T4		Q1Q1,Q3Q3 (Q I)
UPC8a	13p.	NI 37Ea	T1+T2+T3+T4	-	Q1Q1 (Q II)
UPC10a	17p.	NI 43	T1+T2+T3+T4	Q1, Q2 (Q I)	-
Above listings are from the author's private collection and are considered to be incomplete					

NI 12½p. Definitive

Light Emerald

Composite Inverted
Overprint

UPC7 occurs with the
basic NI definitive
stamp reference NI 36a.

Questa Plate Q1Q1

Characteristic (Q II)

Imperforate Left Margin

Paper FCP

Dextrine Gum

Left Phosphor Band



NI 12½p. Definitive

Light Emerald

Composite Overprint
sequence T1,T2,T3,T4

UPC7 occurs with the
basic NI definitive
stamp reference NI 36a.

Questa Plate Q3Q3
(bottom right margin)

Characteristic (Q II)

Perforated Right Margin

Paper FCP

Dextrine Gum

Left Phosphor Band

NI 13p. Definitive

Pale Chestnut

Composite Inverted
Overprint

UPC8a occurs with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 37Ea.

Questa Plate Q1Q1

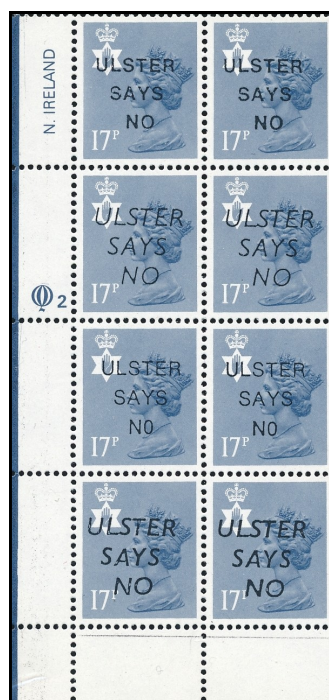
Characteristic (Q II)

Imperforate Left Margin

Paper FCP.

PVA Gum

Left Phosphor Band



NI 17p. Definitive

Grey-blue

Composite Overprint
sequence T1, T2, T3, T4

UPC10a occurs with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 43.

Questa Plate Q2

Characteristic (Q I)

Perforated Left Margin

Paper PCP

Dextrine Gum

All Over Phosphor

Images reduced in size

CYLINDERS & PLATES WITH TYPE 6 SLOGAN

This sub-section examines Harrison and Questa sheet printings of GB & NI definitive stamps, overprinted with the 'Times New Roman' Type 6 slogan, and which are classified as being of unknown provenance.

Section 10 provides background information, and lists the full range of GB & NI stamps, which are presently recorded with Type 6 slogan overprints.

In this sub-section the cylinder and plate blocks features only six values (12p. to 19p.), and is therefore far from complete, being limited to examples held in the author's collection. Interestingly however whilst no mint examples of the 1p., 2p., 3p., 4p., & 5p. values as singles or in blocks are presently known. Used examples on cover are however plentiful, and it is considered possible that the application of Type 6 slogan overprints on these particular values may not have been applied to full Post Office sheets?

HARRISON CYLINDERS (GB STAMPS) IN USE WITH SLOGAN TYPE STYLE 6

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP FACE VALUE	BASIC STAMP REFERENCE	SLOGAN TYPE STYLE	CYLINDERS RECORDED	
				With Dot	No Dot
UP22	13p.	X900	T6	15.	-
UP23	14p.	X903	T6	-	9
UP26	18p.	X955	T6	marginal block with no cylinder marking.	
UP28	19p.	X956	T6	marginal block with no cylinder marking.	

GB 13p. Definitive

Pale Chestnut

Slogan Overprint
Type 6

UP22 occurs with the
basic GB definitive
stamp reference X900.

Harrison Cylinder 15.
(with dot)

Paper FCP
Dextrine Gum

Centre Phosphor Band



GB 14p. Definitive

Deep Blue

Slogan Overprint
Type 6

UP23 occurs with the
basic GB definitive
stamp reference X903.

Harrison Cylinder 9
(no dot)

Paper FCP
Dextrine Gum

Centre Phosphor Band



GB 18p. Definitive

Deep Olive-grey

Slogan Overprint
Type 6

UP26 occurs with the
basic GB definitive
stamp reference X955.

Harrison Cylinder
possibly 4 or 5

Paper PCP
Dextrine Gum

All Over Phosphor



GB 19p. Definitive

Bright Orange-red

Slogan Overprint
Type 6

UP28 occurs with the
basic GB definitive
stamp reference X956.

Harrison Cylinder in
use not known

Paper PCP
Dextrine Gum

All Over Phosphor



Images reduced in size

QUESTA PLATES (NI STAMPS) WITH TYPE 6 SLOGAN

POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	STAMP FACE VALUE	BASIC STAMP REFERENCE	QUESTA PRINT CHARACTERISTIC	SLOGAN TYPE STYLE	PLATES RECORDED	
					(Single Plate Markings)	(Two Plate Markings)
UP20	12p.	NI 35	Questa (II)	T6	-	Q1Q1 or Q3Q3 (tbc)
UP21	13p.	NI 37	Questa (I)	T6	-	Q1Q1
UP21a	13p.	NI 37Ea	Questa (II)	T6	-	Q5Q5
UP24	17p.	NI 43	Questa (I)	T6	Q2	-
UP25	18p.	NI 46	Questa (II)	T6	-	Q1Q1
UP27	19p.	NI 49	Questa (I)	T6	-	Q3Q3

NI 12p. Definitive

Bright Emerald

Slogan Overprint
Type 6

UP20 occurs with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 35.

Questa Plate
(to be confirmed)

Characteristic (Q II)

Imperforate Left Margin

Paper FCP

Dextrine Gum

Left Phosphor Band



NI 13p. Definitive

Pale Chestnut

Slogan Overprint
Type 6

UP21 occurs with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 37.

Questa Plate Q1Q1

Characteristic (Q I)

Imperforate Left Margin

Paper FCP.

Dextrine Gum

Left Phosphor Band



NI 13p. Definitive

Pale Chestnut

Slogan Overprint
Type 6 with variants.

UP21a occurs with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 37Ea.

Questa Plate Q5Q5

Characteristic (Q II)

Imperforate Left Margin

Paper FCP.

Dextrine Gum

Left Phosphor Band



NI 17p. Definitive

Grey-blue

Slogan Overprint
Type 6 with variants.

UP24 occurs with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 43.

Questa Plate Q2

Characteristic (Q I)

Perforate Left Margin

Paper PCP.

Dextrine Gum

All Over Phosphor



QUESTA PLATES (NI STAMPS) WITH TYPE 6 SLOGAN

NI 18p. Definitive

Deep Olive-grey

Slogan Overprint
Type 6 with variants.

UP25 occurs with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 46.

Questa Plate Q1Q1

Characteristic (Q II)

Imperforate Left Margin

Paper ACP
Dextrine Gum

All Over Phosphor



NI 19p. Definitive

Bright Orange-red

Slogan Overprint
Type 6 with variants.

UP27 occurs with the
basic NI definitive stamp
reference NI 49.

Questa Plate Q5Q5

Characteristic (Q I)

Perforate Left Margin

Paper ACP
Dextrine Gum

All Over Phosphor

Author's Note

Section 11 features cylinder and plate blocks in use with Post Office sheets of GB & NI Machin definitive stamps, printed by Messrs Harrison & Sons and the House of Questa, and which were subsequently overprinted with political slogans. The examples highlighted do not cover the full range of cylinders or plates, in use by the two printing firms, and which were subsequently illegally overprinted by contractors for the political factions, by stamp dealers for their own gain, or a combination of both?

It is hoped at some future stage, with the help of readers, to prepare a more comprehensive listing of cylinder and plates, in use with political overprints.

Finally it is important to mention that some of the scanned colour reproductions, for same value stamps, appear different in some cases, this maybe due to the printing processes in use, or in connection with the different papers and gums, which may react differently to the scanner's light source. In particular this comment is evident with scanned images from Questa blocks with print characteristics QI and QII.

SECTION 12 UNCLASSIFIED POLITICAL LABELS

‘ULSTER SAYS NO’ SLOGAN FORGERIES

The ‘Ulster Says No’ slogan labels applied to stamps displayed in this section fall into of category of forgeries and are definitely of no philatelic value.

The examples were knowingly acquired in 2013 from a dealer Archibald King of Broadstairs, Kent, U.K. This dealer is also directly connected to the ‘Support Sinn Fein’ forgeries, which are featured in Section 5, page 13.

These forgeries are shown as a warning to unsuspecting collectors, who believe what they are told.

The slogan overprints on the examples below are considered to have been applied to used off paper stamps, which in their own right may have been used in the postal system for normal post prior to being defaced.



UP49a



UP49b



UP49c



UP49d



UP49e



UP49f



UP49g



UP49h



UP49i



UP49j

Forged Type Styles

Comparatively the forged type styles in use with the Republican and Unionist labels, have a distinct in similarity in form.



RP7a



RP7e



RP7j



UP49a



UP49f



UP49j

Author's Note

Mr. King when contacted by the author claimed to know little about stamps. However on five different occasions, in October & November 2013, Mr. King advertised groups of stamps overprinted with either the Republican or Unionist slogan labels - ‘Support Sinn Fein’ or ‘Ulster Says No’. So in concluding it is presumed that he had no political leanings as the slogans arise from both sides of the divide, and were therefore produced solely for personal gain and not a political cause?

SECTION 13 'NO GUNS NO GOVERNMENT' SLOGAN

GB STAMPS WITH SLOGAN

The slogan labels highlighted in this section were overprinted with the Unionist call for 'No Guns No Government'. This rallying call was directed at the IRA seeking their agreement to disarm before ratification of a brokered peace accord, between the Sinn Fein and the Unionist factions.

The printings are thought to have been the work of a Northern Ireland dealer, possibly with the support of Unionist representatives.

At this juncture a 'No Guns No Government' proof is not known to the author, and no varieties arising from this slogan overprint have to date been established.

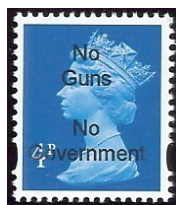
POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	ISSUE OF DATE	STAMP VALUE	COLOUR	GB STAMP REFERENCE	POLITICAL OVERPRINT
UP50	2000	1p.	Crimson	Y1667	No Guns No Government
UP51		2p.	Deep Green	Y1668	
UP52		4p.	New Blue	Y1669	
UP53		5p.	Dull Red-brown	Y1670	
UP54		8p.	Dark Yellow	Y1674	



UP50



UP51



UP52



UP53



UP54



UP50 - UP54 Used on Cover. Mount Pleasant (Co. Tyrone) cancel dated 10 July 2001

A similar cover, thought to be date stamped 3 February 2000, and to the same addressee is known. Contained in this particular cover was a letter which in essence reads: "Dear James, I thought you'd like an envelope with these interesting private overprints used in the post. I think they have something to do with the recent 'fallout' due to the complete lack of weapons being handed in by the various terrorist groups in Northern Ireland. Hopefully they will get through the postal system ok."

Forgeries Several are known, all of which occur on Machin stamps of different values to UP50 to UP54. Furthermore stamps bearing forged overprints, were previously in use for normal mailings, before being overprinted with the 'No Guns No Government' slogan, which was subsequently added using inkjet on a computer. The forged overprints are larger in plan area compared to UP50 to UP54, and to date no mint stamps are recorded.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND TO THE 'ULSTER SAYS NO' SLOGAN

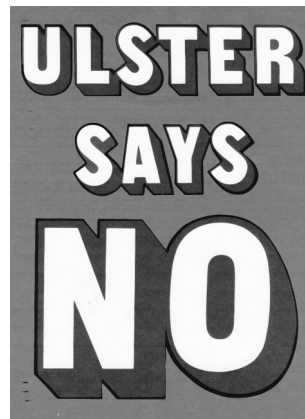
Ulster Says No was the slogan of a protest campaign against the provisions of the 1985 Anglo-Irish Agreement. This agreement gave the government of the Republic of Ireland an advisory role in the governance of Northern Ireland and was seen by the protestors as foreign interference in the internal affairs of the United Kingdom.

The campaign was conducted by the unionists who wanted Northern Ireland to remain part of the United Kingdom. It was led by the staunch Protestant and Democratic Unionist Party leader Ian Paisley.

The 1985 Anglo-Irish Agreement was supported by Irish nationalists who viewed the provisions of the Agreement as a way to solve the lack of political representation within the community of Irish nationalists in Northern Ireland.

The Anglo-Irish Agreement was signed by British Prime Minister, Margaret Thatcher and Taoiseach, Garret FitzGerald on 15th November 1985.

Following the joint signing, unionist leaders objected to the Agreement, claiming that such an agreement needed to be placed before the Northern Ireland electorate in a referendum. They organised a vote in the Northern Ireland Assembly seeking the approval of the Assembly to conduct such a referendum.



Revd. Ian Paisley
b.6.4.1926 / d.12.9.2014



Author's footnote: whilst rarely mentioned many of the problems which prevail in Northern Ireland have links to religion and the Protestant and Catholic divide.

Irish Republican Party, Sinn Féin, also objected to the Anglo-Irish Agreement, albeit for different reasons. They claimed that it breached Articles 2 and 3 of the Irish Constitution because it officially recognised British jurisdiction in Northern Ireland. The main opposition party in the Republic of Ireland, Fianna Fáil, also voted against the Agreement in the Irish Parliament for similar reasons.

On 23rd November 1985, a large rally took place at Belfast City Hall whereby unionists protested against the Agreement. The numbers attending were estimated to be at least 100,000 while unionist sources claimed participation at over 200,000.

Ian Paisley and all the other unionist MPs resigned from the British House of Commons in protest against the Agreement, and all, except Jim Nicholson, were re-elected in subsequent bye-elections.



Margaret Thatcher
b.13.10.1925 / d.8. 4. 2013

Garret FitzGerald
b.9.2.1926 / d.19. 5. 2011

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PART 1. REPUBLICAN POLITICAL LABELS

SECTIONS 1, 2, 3 - SLOGAN PROOFS										pg 2, pg 5, pg 7, pg 9	
I.R.P.O. REPUBLICAN POLITICAL SLOGAN ISSUES	WHITE PAPER		BUFF PAPER		BUFF PAPER		WHITE PAPER		WHITE CARD		
	No back-stamp				With back-stamp						
	PROOF REF.	VALUE	PROOF REF.	VALUE	PROOF REF.	VALUE	PROOF REF.	VALUE	PROOF REF.	VALUE	
Section 1. Saoirse Eireann	RPP2	€20	RPP2a	€20	RPP2b	€20	RPP2c	€20	RPP2d	€20	
Section 2. Support Sinn Fein Dail Uladh 1971	RPP3	€20	RPP3a	€20	-	-	RPP3b	€20	RPP3c	€20	
	RPP4	€20	RPP4a	€20	-	-	RPP4b	€20	RPP4c	€20	
Section 3. I gCulmhne DHOIRE	RPP5	€20	RPP5a	€20	Slogan Setting 1		RPP5b	€20			
	RPP5 & RPP5a from Slogan Setting 1				Slogan Setting 2		RPP5c	€20			

SECTION 2 - SLOGAN PROOF VARIETIES								pg 6
I.R.P.O. ISSUE	PROOF REFERENCE	VARIETY REFERENCE	VALUE		I.R.P.O. ISSUE	PROOF REFERENCE	VARIETY REFERENCE	VALUE
Support Sinn Fein	RPP3	V3a	€30		Dail Uladh 1971	RPP4	V4a	€30
		V3b	€40				V4b	€30
		V3c	€30				V4c	€30
		V3d	€30				V4d	€30
		V3e	€30				V4e	€30

SECTIONS 1, 2, 3, 4 - STAMPS WITH SLOGAN OVERPRINT					pg 1, pg 3 & 4, pg 7 & 8, pg 9, pg 11 & 12	
POLITICAL SLOGAN OVERPRINTS		STAMP FACE VALUE & (SG) REFERENCE	UMM VALUE	USED VALUE		
I.R.P.O. ISSUE	REFERENCE					
Forerunners	RP1a to RP1g	GB 1d. 4d. 8d. & NI 3d. 4d. 5d.	€50	€60		
Section 1. Saoirse Eireann	RP2	3p. SG 881	€20	€30		
	RP2A	7½p. SG 882	-	-		
Section 2. Support Sinn Fein Dail Uladh 1971	RP3	2½p. SG NI 12	€20	€30		
	RP4	3p. SG NI 13	€20	€30		
Section 3. I gCulmhne DHOIRE	RP5/RP5a	3p. SG NI 13	€20	€30		
Section 4. Support Official I.R.A.	RP6	3p. SG 384	€170	€250		

SECTIONS 1, 2, 3 - STAMPS WITH SLOGAN OVERPRINT VARIETIES					pg 3, pg 7, pg 9	
POLITICAL SLOGAN OVERPRINTS			STAMP FACE VALUE & (SG) REFERENCE	UMM VALUE		
I.R.P.O. ISSUE	REFERENCE	VARIETY REF.				
Section 1. Saoirse Eireann	RP2	V2a	3p. SG 881	€70		
		V2b		€90		
Section 2. Dail Uladh 1971	RP4	V4f/V4g	3p. SG NI 13	€70		
Section 3. I gCulmhne DHOIRE	RP5 Setting 1	V5a	3p. SG NI 13	€30		
	RP5a Setting 2	V5a		€30		

SECTION 5 - STAMPS WITH FORGED SLOGAN OVERPRINTS	pg 13 & 14
Political Slogan References RP7 through to RP12 - Notional value €5 per stamp.	

pg notations refer to page(s) in the main text, where the political slogan overprints are examined and listed.

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PART 2. UNIONIST POLITICAL LABELS

SECTION 6 - SLOGAN OVERPRINT PROOFS TYPES 1, 2, 3, 4				pg 17, pg 18
SIZE 'A' PROOF REFERENCE	SINGLE PROOF VALUE		SIZE 'B' PROOF REFERENCE	SINGLE PROOF VALUE
UPT1A	Proof examples not recorded		UPT1B	€18
UPT2A			UPT2B	€18
UPT3A			UPT3B	€18
UPT4A			UPT4B	€18

SECTION 6 - STAMPS WITH SLOGAN OVERPRINT 'ULSTER SAYS NO' TYPES 1, 2, 3, 4						pg 19 to pg 24
POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	GB or NI FACE VALUE	OVERPRINT TYPE STYLE	SIZE 'A'		SIZE 'B'	
			UMM	USED	UMM	USED
UP1	1p. GB	T1	€20	€50	€15	€40
UP1a	1p. GB	T1	€12	€35	8.00	€25
UP2	2p. GB	T1	€12	€35	8.00	€25
UP3	3p. GB	T1, T2, T3, T4	€12	€35	8.00	€25
UP4	4p. GB	T1, T2, T3, T4	€12	€35	8.00	€25
UP5	5p. GB	T1, T2, T3, T4	€12	€35	8.00	€25
UP6	12p. NI	T1	€15	€50	€10	€45
(UP7)	12½p. NI	(T1), (T2), (T3), (T4)	-	-	-	-
UP8	13p. NI	T1, T2, T3, T4	€15	€50	€10	€45
UP8a	13p. NI	T1, T2, T3, T4	€15	€50	€10	€45
(UP9)	13p. GB	(T1), (T2), (T3), (T4)	-	-	-	-
UP10	17p. NI	T1	€15	€50	€10	€45
UP10a	17p. NI	T1	€150	€170	-	-
UP11	18p. NI	T1, T2, T3, T4	€15	€50	€10	€45
UP12	18p. GB	T1, T2, T3, T4	€15	€50	€10	€45

SECTION 7 - SLOGAN OVERPRINT PANE PROOFS TYPE 5				pg 26
PROOF REFERENCE	OVERPRINT TYPE	OVERPRINT STYLE	PANE PROOF VALUE	
UPT5	5	Fancy Script	€120	

SECTION 7. BOOKLET PANES WITH TYPE 5 SLOGAN OVERPRINT						pg 26 to pg 28
PANE REFERENCE	FACE VALUE	SINGLE UMM VALUE	SINGLE USED VALUE	UMM PANE VALUE	USED PANE VALUE	BOOKLET VALUE
UPB9	13p.	€15	€30	€60	€120	€75
UPB12	18p.	€15	€30	€60	€120	€75
UPB13	26p.	€15	€30	€60	€120	€75

- Proof examples with size 'A' overprint dimensions are as yet not known to the author.
- For Types T1 to T4 in brackets, valuations to be established when and if examples are recorded.
- UP10a is very scarce. The basic mint NI stamp (SG) reference NI 43Ea with no slogan overprint commands a market price of €150+.

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SECTION 8 - 'ULSTER SAYS NO' SINGLE STAMP SLOGAN VARIETIES TYPES 1, 2, 3, 4				p 29
POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	VARIETY REFERENCE	FACE VALUE & (SG) REFERENCE	OVERPRINT TYPE STYLE & SIZE	UMM VALUE
UP1a	V1a	1p. GB X846	T1B	€50
			T2B	€50
	V1b		T4B	€50
UP3	V3a	3p. GB X930	T2B	€50
			T3B	€50
			T4B	€50
UP4	V4a	4p. GB X1002	T2B	€50
			T3B	€50
			T4B	€50
UP5	V5a	5p. GB X1004a	T2B	€50
			T3B	€50
			T4B	€50
	V5b		T1B	€50
UP11	V11a	18p. NI NI 46	T2B	€60
			T3B	€60
			T4B	€60

VALUATIONS NOT LISTED - BLOCK COMBINATIONS & BOOKLET VARIETIES

SECTION 8 STAMPS IN BLOCK VARIETIES				p 30, p 31
POLITICAL REFERENCE	COMBINATION VARIETY REFERENCE			
UP1a/T1B	V1c	V1d	V1e	
UP3/T1B	V3c			
UP4/T1B	V4c		V4e	
UP5/T1B	V5c	V4d	V4e	

SECTION 8 BOOKLET TYPE 5 SLOGAN VARIETIES			p 32
POLITICAL PANE REFERENCE	PANE VARIETY REFERENCE		
UPB12	V12a	V12b	
UPC13	V13a	V13b	

Section 8 - Valuations to be established when the provenance of listings on pages 30 to 32 is validated.

VALUATIONS NOT LISTED - COMPOSITE SLOGAN OVERPRINTS

SECTION 9 COMPOSITE SLOGAN PROOFS					p 33
UPPC1	UPPC1a	UPPC1b	UPPC1c		
SECTION 9 COMPOSITE STRIPS WITH SLOGAN TYPES 1, 2, 3 & 4					p 34
UPC6	UPC7	UPC9	UPC10a	UPC12	

SECTION 9 COMPOSITE SLOGAN VARIETIES				p 35, p 36
POLITICAL REFERENCE	VARIETY REFERENCE	POLITICAL REFERENCE	VARIETY REFERENCE	
UPC6	V6a	UPC9	V9a	
UPC7	V7a	UPC12	V12a	
UPC8a	V8a			

VALUATIONS NOT LISTED - UNCLASSIFIED COMPOSITE OVERPRINT VARIETIES

SECTION 9 - UNCLASSIFIED COMPOSITE SLOGAN OVERPRINT VARIETIES	p 37 to pg 40
Examples shown on pages 37 to 40 are not given Political References, as they appear somewhat unique in their make up.	

Section 9 - Combination & Composite valuations to be established when the authenticity and provenance of the slogan overprints on stamps in block & strip formats on pages 33 to 40 is validated.

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SECTION 10 - OVERPRINT SLOGAN 'ULSTER SAYS NO' TYPE 6					p 41, pg 42, pg 43			
POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	GB or NI FACE VALUE	UMM VALUE	USED VALUE		POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	GB or NI FACE VALUE	UMM VALUE	USED VALUE
UP14	1p. GB	€25	€35		UP24	17p. NI	€35	€50
UP15	2p. GB	€25	€35		UP25	18p. NI	€35	€50
UP16	3p. GB	€25	€35		UP26	18p. GB	€35	€50
UP17	4p. GB	€25	€35		UP27	19p. NI	€35	€50
UP18	4p. GB	€25	€35		UP28	19p. GB	€35	€50
UP19	5p. GB	€25	€35		UP29	24p. GB	€35	€50
UP20	12p. NI	€25	€35		UP30	35p. GB	€40	€60
UP21	13p. NI	€25	€35		UP31	50p. GB	€45	€60
UP22	13p. GB	€25	€35		UP32	1st Class	€45	€60
UP23	14p. GB	€35	€50					

VALUATIONS NOT LISTED - TYPE 6 SLOGAN OVERPRINTS

SECTION 10 SLOGAN OVERPRINT VARIETIES						pg 44 to pg 48
POLITICAL REFERENCE	OVERPRINT VARIETY REFERENCE					
UP14	V14a					
UP15	V15a					
UP19	V19a					
UP21	V21a	V21b	V21c			
UP21a	V21d					
UP22	V22a	V22b				
UP23	V23a					
UP24	V24a					
UP25	V25a	V25b	V25c	V25d		
UP26	V26a	V26b	V26c	V26d	V26e	
UP27	V27a					
UP28	V28a	V28b	V28c	V28d	V28e	

SECTION 10 COIL & BOOKLET SLOGAN OVERPRINTS						pg 49 to pg 51
COIL POLITICAL REFERENCE				UPC35		
BOOKLET POLITICAL REFERENCE						
UPB36/1	UPB32/2	UPB37	UPB38	UPB39	UPB40	

SECTION 10 - HIGH VALUES WITH SLOGAN			pg 52
POLITICAL REFERENCE		UP45	UP46

SECTION 10 - COMMEMORATIVES WITH SLOGAN				pg 53
POLITICAL REFERENCE				
UP47	UP48	UP48a	UP47/V47a	

Valuations to be established when authenticity and provenance of the political stamps and varieties in this section are validated.

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SECTION 12 - STAMPS WITH FORGED 'ULSTER SAYS NO' SLOGAN OVERPRINTS pg 70					
Political Slogan References UP49a through to UP49j - Notional value €5 per stamp.					
SECTION 13 - STAMPS WITH 'NO GUNS NO GOVERNMENT' SLOGAN OVERPRINTS pg 71					
POLITICAL STAMP REFERENCE	UP50	UP51	UP52	UP53	UP54
FACE VALUE	1p.	2p.	4p.	5p.	8p.
UMM VALUE	€35	€35	€35	€35	€35
USED VALUE	€50	€50	€50	€50	€50

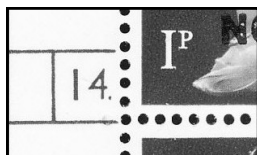
Section 11 on page 77 provides valuation estimates for Harrison & Questa Cylinder and Plate blocks, comprising six or more stamps, and which occur with 'Ulster Says No' slogan overprints.

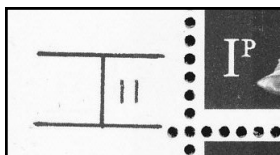
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SECTION 11 - HARRISON CYLINDER BLOCK MARKINGS				pg 54 to pg 57	
STAMP POLITICAL REFERENCE	UP1	UP1a	UP3	UP12	
CYLINDER NUMBERS WITH DOT	11.	12. 14.	38. 43.	4.	5.
SLOGAN OVERPRINT TYPES IN USE	T1	T1	T1 - T4	T1 - T4	
HARRISON BLOCK VALUE	€80	€50	€50	€70	€50
CYLINDER NUMBERS WITH NO NOT	11 12	14	38 43	4	5
SLOGAN OVERPRINT TYPES IN USE	T1	T1	T1 - T4	T1 - T4	T1 - T4
HARRISON BLOCK VALUE	€80	€50	€50	€70	€50

Political references are for single stamps, with slogan overprint from a block.
Valuations are for positional blocks of six stamps, with Harrison cylinder markings.
Further cylinder markings were possibly in use by Harrison, but subject to validation, and not listed.

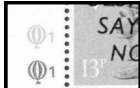
UP1a Cylinder 14
with Dot





UP1 Cylinder 11
with no Dot

SECTION 11 - QUESTA PLATE BLOCK MARKINGS								pg 58 to pg 61	
STAMP POLITICAL REFERENCE	UP2			UP4	UP5		UP10	UP10a	
SINGLE 'Q' PLATE NUMBERS	Q11, Q14 Q15, Q16	Q17	Q18	Q1, Q5,Q6 Q7, Q8	Q8, Q10, Q13, Q14 Q15, Q16, Q17, Q18 Q21, Q22, Q23, Q26	Q19, Q20 Q24, Q25	Q1, Q2	Q1, Q2	
SLOGAN TYPES IN USE	T1	T1	T1	T1 - T4	T1 - T4		T1	T1	
QUESTA BLOCK VALUE	€50	€80	€120	€50	€50	€60	€100	€900	
Political references are for single stamps, with slogan overprint from a block. Valuations are for positional blocks of six stamps, with one Questa 'Q' plate marking. Further single plate markings were possibly in use by Questa, but subject to validation, and not listed.									

SECTION 11 - QUESTA PLATE BLOCK MARKINGS							pg 62 to pg 64	
STAMP POLITICAL REFERENCE	UP6		UP8		UP8a	UP11		
TWO 'QQ' PLATE NUMBERS	Q1Q1 Q2Q2	Q3Q3 Q4Q4	Q1Q1,Q2Q2 Q5Q5,Q6Q6	Q3Q3 Q4Q4	Q1Q1,Q2Q2 Q3Q3	Q1Q1 Q2Q2	Q3Q3	Q4Q4
SLOGAN TYPES IN USE	T1	T1	T1 - T4		T1 - T4	T1 - T4	T1	T1
QUESTA BLOCK VALUE	€60	€70	€60	€70	€60	€60	€1,500	€300
Political references are for single stamps, with slogan overprint from a block. Valuations are for positional blocks of six stamps, with two Questa 'QQ' plate markings. Further double plate markings were possibly in use by Questa, but subject to validation, and not listed.								

VALUATIONS NOT LISTED - COMPOSITE & TYPE 6 BLOCKS WITH SLOGAN OVERPRINT

SECTION 11 - HARRISON & QUESTA COMPOSITE BLOCKS WITH SLOGAN OVERPRINT	p 65, pg 66
UPC6/1, UPC7, UPC8s, UPC9, UPC10a, UPC12 examples shown on pages 65 & 66 are unique in their make up, together with many variants, and are not valued.	

SECTION 11 - HARRISON & QUESTA BLOCKS WITH TYPE 6 SLOGAN OVERPRINT	p 67, pg 68, pg 69
UP20, UP21, UP21a, UP22, UP23, UP24, UP25, UP26, UP27, UP28 examples shown on pages 67 to 69 are unique in their make up, together with many variants and are not valued.	

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