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NEW ISSUE NEWS

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FIG.1: FIFTH SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS FDC (PROPOSED)

The Fifth Summit of the Americas was held in Port of Spain from the 17th to 19th April 2009. Thirty-four Heads of State and Government from the North, Central and South Americas and the Caribbean attended. A stamp issue was proposed and printed to commemorate this Summit, however, at the last moment, it was decided not to issue it. This decision was made by high authorities (not TTPOST). The reason is believed to be that the designs of stamps did not reflect the objectives of the Summit. This is important as this issue would be scrutinized by all of the Heads of State and the Press Corps from all the countries participating.



FIG.2: TTPOST POST OFFICE BOOTH AT THE SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS

The image of the FDC was downloaded from the TTPost web-site where it was posted for several weeks. The proposed issue consisted of four stamps: \$ 1.00 - Justice - gavel and law books; \$ 2.50 - Education - school books; \$ 3.75 - Health - medical equipment; \$ 5.25 - Agriculture - various fruits.

TTPost opened a Post Office at the venue of the Summit (Fig. 2). The outlet provided services for the many visitors participating in the Summit. The outlet was located in a booth in the 'Village'. The 'Village' was created especially for the Summit and it was the location of numerous trade and information booths. The 'Village' was situated on the waterfront, south of the Hyatt Regency Hotel. The Post Office used a Port of Spain date-stamp (borrowed from the Chacon Street, TTPost Office). The PO had a special Summit postmark (see fig.3) which was applied on mail from this office. The PO opened on the 13th April and was accessible to the general public up to the 15th April. After the 15th, security allowed only participants of the Summit to be in that zone. The PO closed on the 19th April when the Summit finished.

There are two new issues being prepared. From the 27th to 29th November, Port of Spain will be the venue for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM). This issue is being designed by Albert Sydney and will consist of five stamps and one souvenir sheet. The other issue in progress is the Tenth Anniversary of TTPost. An issue to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Naval Aviation was under consideration, but now it appears to be on hold.

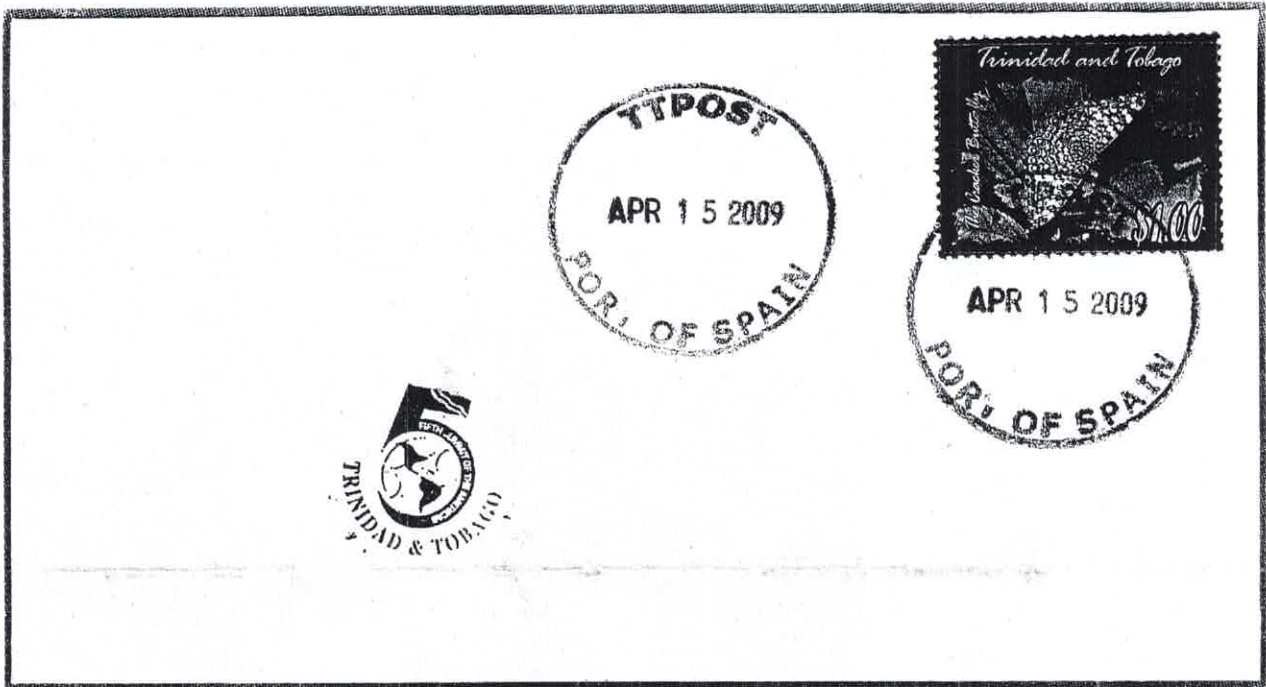


FIG.3: COVER WITH THE SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS POSTMARK

POST OFFICE NEWS

The City Gate TTPost Office was closed on the 31st January 2009. Construction work is being undertaken at City Gate and the tenants have been asked to vacate the premises.

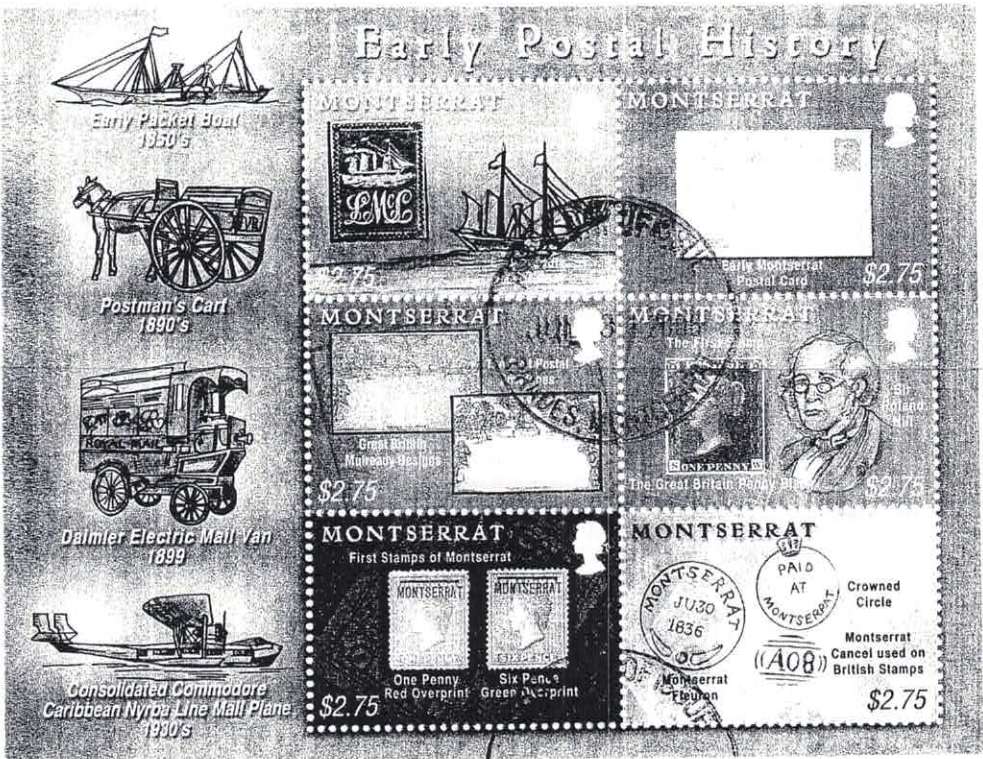
The Corporate Retail Outlet located at #23 Chacon St., P.O.S., has been relocated to Mansfield House, #22 Abercromby St., effective 8th June 2009.

GENERAL NEWS

A new design of the International Reply Coupon will be introduced towards the end of the year or at the beginning of next year. The current design is valid only until the 31st December 2009. The new design is known as the Nairobi model.

The old Piarco Airport Terminal illustrated on the 8¢ stamp of the 1962 Independence issue (SG #301 /Sc #106) was renovated for the Summit of the Americas and served as the VIP Terminal. The surrounding aircraft ramps and taxiways were also refurbished. Making full use of these facilities were the U.S. President's Airforce One and the twenty-six other aircraft that accompanied it. No US fighter aircraft were allowed in T&T, but over a dozen were reported to be in nearby Grenada.

MONTSERRAT COMMEMORATES THE LADY McLEOD



MONTSERRAT



First Day Issue

The Lady McLeod was featured on a Montserrat stamp released on 31st July 2008. The subject of the Montserrat issue was early postal history and it consisted of a souvenir sheet containing six stamps - all \$ 2.75 denominations. Five of the stamps had illustrations of Montserrat and British postal history. The top left stamp illustrated the Lady McLeod and stated: ' First Caribbean Stamp / The Lady McLeod '. The Lady McLeod stamp made T&T the first country in the British Empire (Commonwealth) to issue a stamp after Great Britain. Albert Sydney brought the above issue to our attention.

POST OFFICE / FRANCHISE LIST

This list of retail outlets was provided through the kind courtesy of TTPost. This list was prepared in June 2009. Please note that the USA Embassy office listed below does not handle regular mail only courier packages - returning processed passports to visa applicants.

CORPORATE OFFICES

NAMES	POSITION	OFFICE	ADDRESSES	BUSINESS HOURS
Lillis Jordan	Post Office Leader	Scarborough	Port Mall Scarborough	7.30 am to 6.00
		660-7377	Tobago	Sat 9.00 am to 1.00
Parmela Tyson	Post Office Leader	Business Centre	92 A Wrightson Road	7.30am to 5.00pm
		625-4784	Port of Spain	Sat. NIL
Patricia Xavier	Post Office Leader	Couva	Cor. Bryce & la Croix Street	8.00 am to 4.00 pm
		679-2324	Couva	Sat 8.00 am to 1.00pm
Caro Ramcharitar	Post Office Leader	Chaguanas	# 9 St. Yves Street	7.00 am to 5.00 pm
		671-8851	Chaguanas	Sat.8.00am to 2.00pm
Michelle James	Post Office Leader	Chacon Street	Chacon Street	7.00am to 5.00pm
		623-5042	Port of Spain	Sat 9.00 am to 2.00
Amble Maxwell	Post Office Leader	Carlton Centre	Carlton Centre	7.00am to 5.00pm
		652-3533	San Fernando	Sat.8.00am to 2.00pm
Hafissa M Dhoray	Retail Officer	Cunupia	Chin Chin Road	Mon. to Frid. 8.00am to 4.00pm
		665-3567	Cunupia	4.00pm
Sylvia Mayers Charles	Post Office Leader	Nat. Mail Centre	Golden Grove Road	8.00am to 4.15pm
			Piarco	Sat.NIL
Rosie Mohess Paryag	Retail Officer	Princes Town	# 4 Charlotte Street	8.00am to 4.15pm
		655-2210	Princes Town	Sat.NIL
Susan Mohammed	Post Office Leader	Tragarete Road	177 Tragarete Road	7.00am to 5.00pm
		622-3364	Port of Spain	Sat.8.00am to 12.00pm
Judy Jackie	Post Office Leader	Trincity Mall	Trincity Mall	10.00am to 6.00
		640-8818	Trincity	Sat.10.00 to 3.00pm
Marilyn Mason ag	Post Office Leader	Tunapuna	Eastern Main Road	8.00am to 5.00pm
		645-3914	Tunapuna	Sat.8.00am to 12.00pm
Gloria Taylor	Post Office Leader	Siparia	# 1 Oropouche Road	Mon. to Frid. 8.00am to 4.00pm
		649-3918	Siparia	4.00pm
Rajesh Seusaran	Post Office Leader	St Anns	St Anns Delivery Office	Mon. to Frid. 8.00am to 4.00pm
		621-0759	St Anns	4.00pm
Debra John	Post Office Leader	U S Embassy	Marli Street	Mon. to Frid. 8.00am to 4.00pm
		622-6371	Port of Spain	4.00pm

FRANCHISE OFFICES

FRANCHISES	DATE OPENED	NAME OF FRANCHISES & ADDRESSES	PHONE NOS	TYPE
ARIMA	9/18/2001	Vere Bhaggan C/O Bhaggan,s Drugs Store # 48 Broadway	667-3295	PL
AROUCA	1/5/2007	Derek Sealy,D.S Enterprises, Corner Lower Railway Road & Eastern Main Road,Arouca	646 5658	LTD
BALANDRA	4/25/2002	Dawn Granado c/o Earl Arthur Grocery 18 1/2 mm Toco Main Rd Balandra	670 1115	LTD

FRANCHISES	DATE OPENED	NAME OF FRANCHISES & ADDRESSES	PHONE NOS	TYPE
BLACK ROCK		Dawn Roberts Main Road Black Rock Tobago	639-5537	LTD
BARRACKPORE	5/24/2002	Bhadai's & Sons Furniture & H'ware Store # 46 New Colonial Road	654 1074	PL
BRASSO SECO	6/10/2002	Maltica Pacheco's Mini Mart Lalaja Ext Rd Brasso Seco V,ge	none	LTD
BELMONT	1/7/2008	Allyssa Rostant, Unique Resource Location, # 6 B Norfolk Street, Belmont		FULL
BELMONT VALLEY ROAD	24/01/2003	Lisa Cole Pic's Mini Mart, #17 Upper Belmont Valley Road, Belmont	777-6900	LTD
BETHEL	7/1/2002	Angela Bruce-Phillip, Unity Mini Mart Bethel, Tobago	639-9474	LTD
BICHE	3/27/2002	Sally Khan, Sali One Stop Shop 15 1/4mm Canque V'ge, Biche	668-9059	LTD
BELLE GARDEN	6/18/2002	Roger Gooding Kitambi Warehouse Main Road Belle Garden	660-4175	LTD
BLANCHISSUESS	4/26/2002	Anna Sandy Paria Main Road Blanchissuess	669-2833	FRAN 1
BLOODY BAY	6/13/2002	Dawn Blake Main Road Bloody Bay Tobago	660-7823	LTD
BLUNDELL	7/27/2001	Candy Osborne, Cor. Picton & Laventille Rd.	625-7273	LTD
CANAAN BON ACCORD	18/05/09	Roy Jacob, Jacob's Fishing, Kiligwyn Bay Road, Canaan Bon Accord, Tobago	631-1030	PL
CARATAL	4/26/2002	Taramatie Sooknanan Sr Marie Emmanuel Rd Caratal Cumuto	668-8352	LTD
CARONI	5/11/2001	Leo Seebaran, 146 Southern Mn. Rd. Caroni	662 2892	LTD
CASTARA	7/1/2002	Millicent Edward's Grocery Main Road Castara	639-5639	LTD
CEDROS	12/15/2001	Cyril Rogers, Fishing Co-operative, St Marie rVillage Scott Forbes, Coral Cove Marine Hotel, Western Main Road	690-1603	FRAN 1
CHAGUARAMAS	6/30/2001	Lavaughn Greenidge Beckles, Bayview Shopping Mart, Spring Street	634 1034	FULL
CHARLOTTEVILLE	9/14/2001		660-6069	FULL
CIPERO STREET	8/6/2009	Iadra Ramdath, Office Express, # 16 Cipero Street, San Fernando	653-8753	PL
CLAXTON BAY	12/28/2000	David Ramnath, St. Margaret's Junct. C/ Bay	659 2249	FULL
COCORITE	6/5/2002	Louise Williams 36 WaterHole Road Cocorite	628-2105	LTD
CORYAL	6/10/2002	Stephan Saunders LP # 324 Cumuto Main Road Coryal	668-8963	LTD
CUMUTO	3/13/2001	Lenor Francis, L.C. Café, 8 3/4mm Main Rd. Cumuto	643 9531	LTD
CUMANA	4/25/2002	Agnes Boodoo H'ware Cor Archibald & Toco Main Road	670-1039	LTD
CUREPE	29/11/2004	Howard Chinfatt c/o Lee's Pharmacy # 61 Eastern Main Road, Curepe	662-4566	PL
DELAFORD	6/20/2002	Cherril Mc Eachnie Main Road Delaford Tobago	799-4051	LTD
DE VIGNES RD	7/1/2002	Olga Serran Smith Main Road Des Vignes Rd Runnemedede Tobago	660-0602	LTD

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