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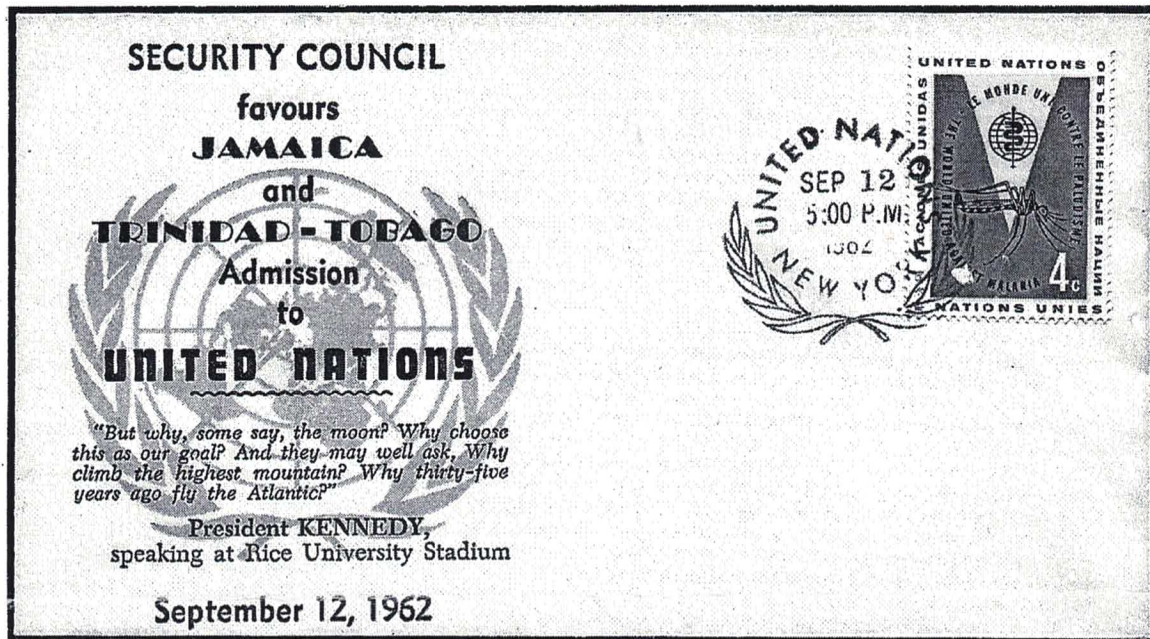


FIG.1: SECURITY COUNCIL FAVOURS JAMAICA AND T&T SEPTEMBER 12, 1962

Trinidad and Tobago became an independent country on 31st August 1962 and Jamaica on the 6th of August 1962. Both applied for membership to the United Nations. The cover (Fig.1) marked the date, 12th September 1962, that the UN Security Council gave approval for admission of Jamaica and T&T to the United Nations. The cover was franked with a UN 4¢ stamp (Sc #102) and postmarked at the UN Headquarters, New York. This cover was reported by Roger Ramoutar.

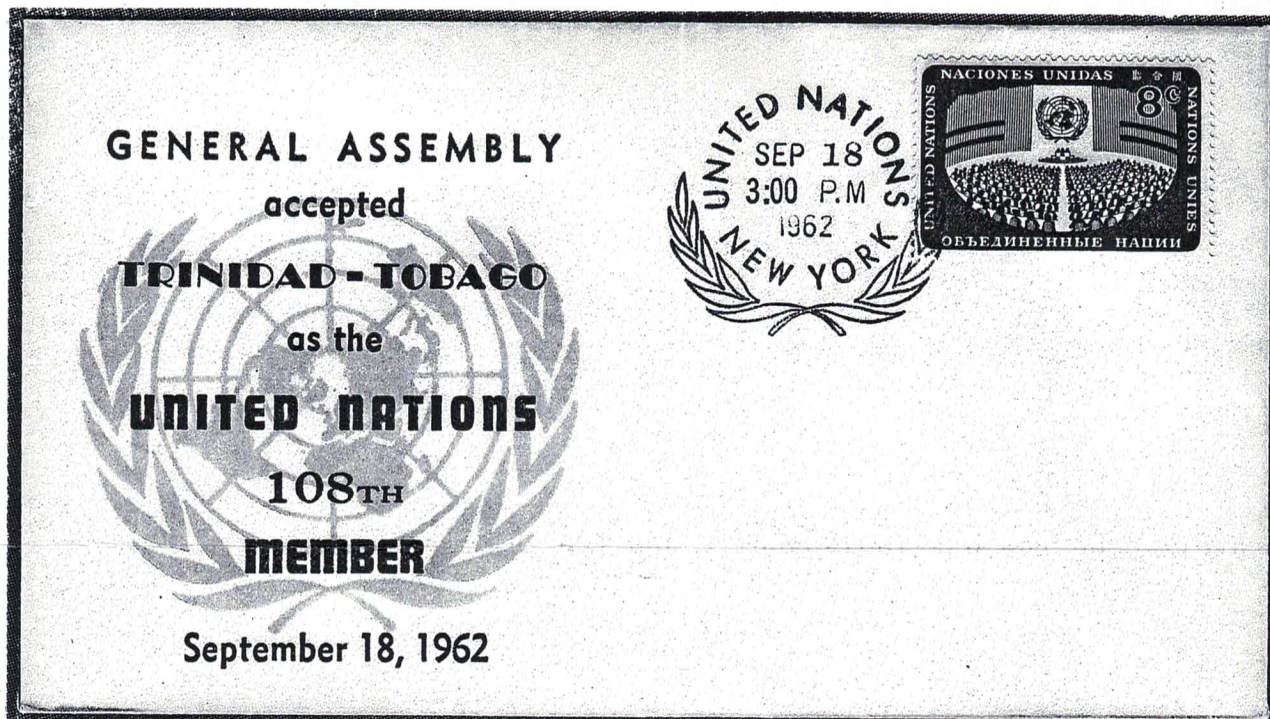


FIG.2: GENERAL ASSEMBLY ACCEPTED T&T SEPTEMBER 18, 1962

Following the approval of the UN Security Council, the UN General Assembly accepted T&T as the 108th member of the United Nations on the 18th September 1962. This event was marked by the cover in Fig.2. This cover was franked with an 8¢ United Nations stamp (Sc#46) illustrating the UN General Assembly. This cover was reported by Roger Edghill. Both covers (Fig.1 and Fig.2) were privately produced.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AND TRINIDAD by Edward Barrow

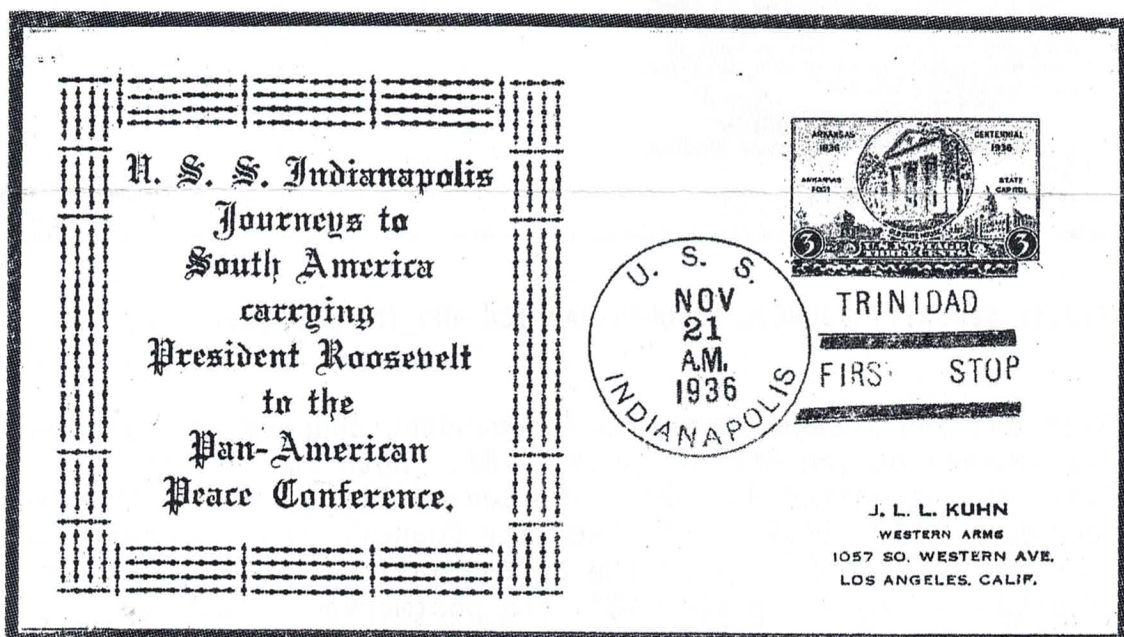


FIG.1: USS INDIANAPOLIS CARRYING PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, commonly known by his initials FDR, was a giant of the 20th Century. He was credited as leading the US out of the Great Depression and steering it to victory in World War II. He was also an ardent stamp collector. It was reported that he was working on his stamp collection when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.

FDR visited Trinidad on a number of occasions, for example, while en route to the 1936 Pan American Conference in Brazil. In the 1930's world leaders didn't travel often and when they did, it was an event and they preferred to travel by ship. For this trip the President travelled on the USS Indianapolis and the first stop was Trinidad. Fig.1 shows a commemorative cover from this trip, it is cancelled with a USS Indianapolis ship cancel while in port at Trinidad. Fig.2 shows special White House Stationery printed for the Presidential Cruise, also sent from Trinidad.

Like many stamp collectors FDR asked friends and colleagues to keep their mail so he could acquire the stamps used as postage. In this respect, being President was a boon; not only did he get volumes of mail from around the world but he could ask the Secretary of State to keep all the diplomatic mail. In this regard, fig.3 shows a cover somewhat humorously addressed to the President of Washington DC and fig.4 shows 1941 diplomatic mail sent to the Secretary of State, probably concerning the lease of land on Trinidad for the establishment of US military bases.

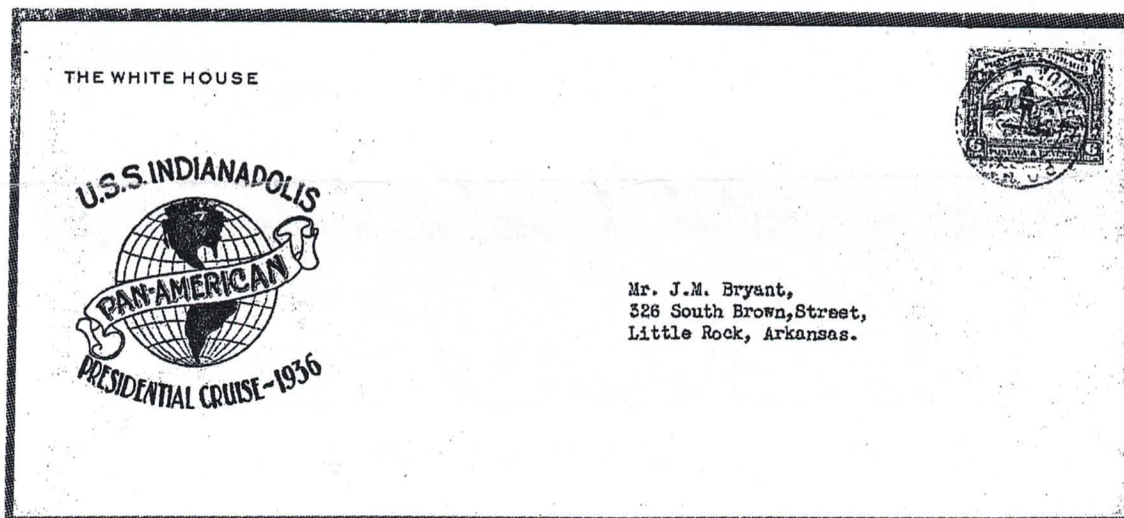
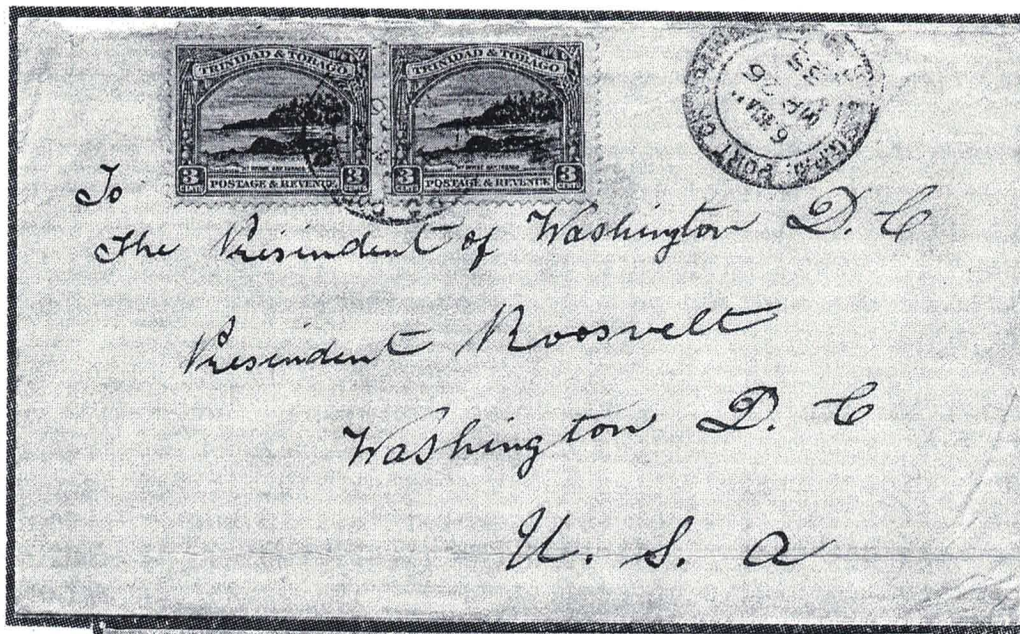
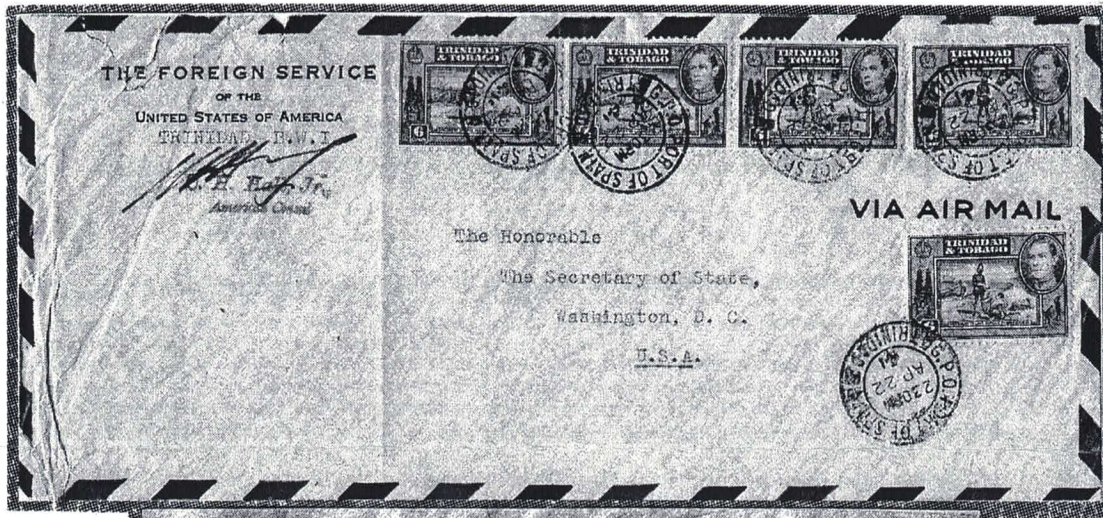


FIG.2: SPECIAL WHITE HOUSE STATIONERY USS INDIANAPOLIS



FROM THE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT COLLECTION
 AUTHENTICATED BY H. R. HARMER INC., N. Y.

FIG.3: T&T MAIL TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT



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FIG.4: US EMBASSY IN T&T MAIL TO SECRETARY OF STATE

In 1946 the firm HR Harmer auctioned off the Roosevelt stamp collection and items from this sale were stamped on the back with a handstamp that read: "FROM THE FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT COLLECTION AUTHENTICATED BY H.R. HARMER INC.,N.Y. Both the above covers have these marks.

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO FLAG ON UNITED NATIONS FLAG ISSUE 1981 FDC PART 1

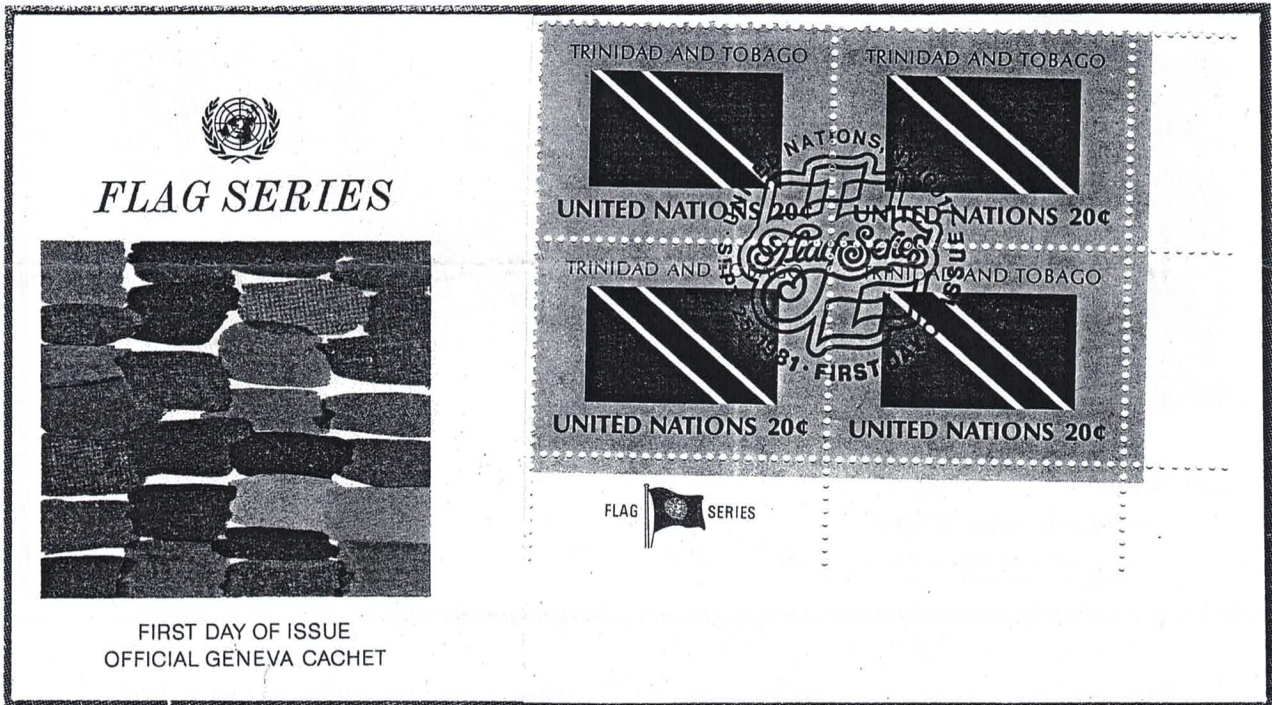


FIG.1: T&T FLAG ON UNITED NATIONS STAMP GENEVA CACHET FDC

As part of its Flag Series issue, the United Nations issued the T&T flag stamp (Sc #357) on the 25th September 1981. The FDC (Fig.1) has the cachet of the UN Geneva, Switzerland, office. The block of four stamps on the FDC has the New York First Day of Issue cancellation.

The FDC in Fig.2 was produced by the well known company Fleetwood. The cachet (clockwise) has a male dancer, a ship, a female vendor with basket on head, the T&T Coat of Arms and a beach scene in the background. The reverse of the cover has some descriptive information on T&T.

The FDC in Fig.3 has an improvised cachet which consisted of office stationery envelope and the rubber stamp of the Permanent Mission of T&T to the UN. This unusual FDC was reported by Roger Ramoutar.



FIG.2: T&T FLAG ON UNITED NATIONS STAMP FLEETWOOD CACHET FDC

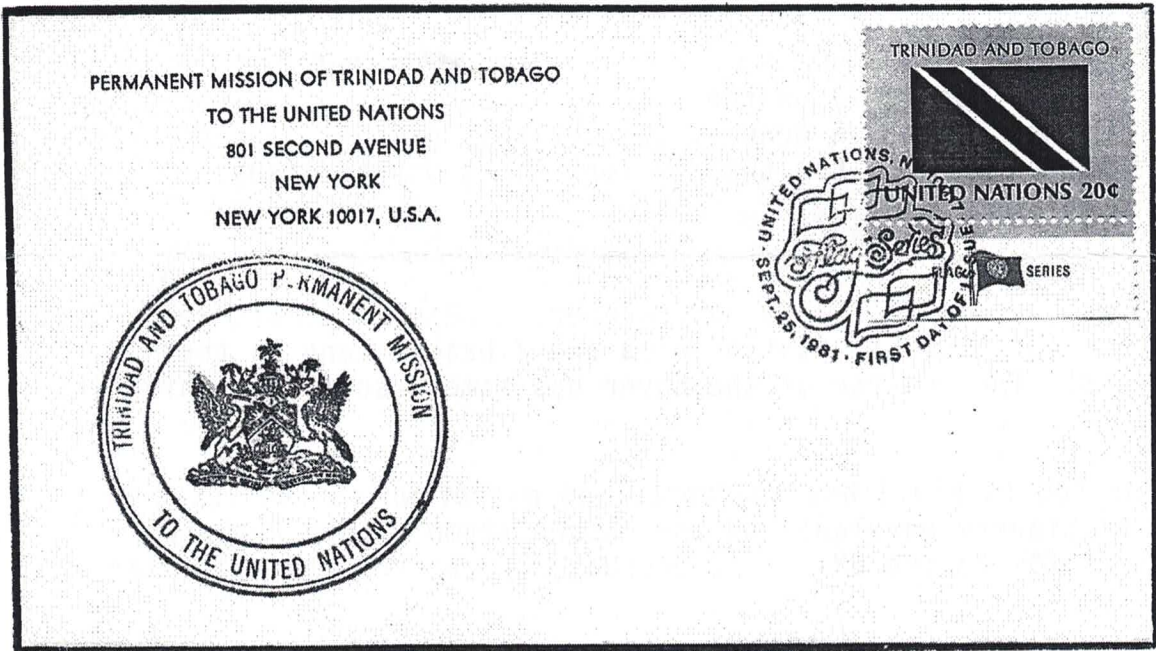


FIG.3: T&T FLAG ON UNITED NATIONS STAMP, T&T MISSION CACHET FDC