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Country/Type: Topical

1989 Cosmogram No. 405 (out of 500), sent to the Mir space station, and signed by the crew. Complete with certification.

Price: 1250 eur

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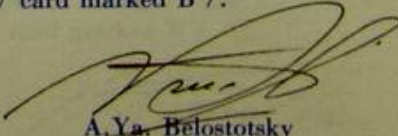
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Certificate of Authenticity

This is to certify that these are two cards No. 405 of a total 500 which have been prepared, cancelled and signed as follows:

1. The 15 kop. USSR postage stamp commemorating the 30th anniversary of the launching of the first Soviet rocket to the Moon was affixed.
2. Two 1 Rbl. USSR postage stamps with "Space mail" overprint, issued for the special occasion of establishing postal service between the Earth and the space station.
3. First day cancellation of Lunnik I stamp has been applied at the Moscow General Post Office with the date of January 2, 1989.
4. A normal postal cancellation of the Baykonur Cosmodrome post office has been applied with the date of March 16, 1989, commemorating the launching of the Progress-41 cargo spacecraft with these cards on board.
5. An official space post office cancellation has been applied on arrival of the cards at space station "Mir" with the date of March 18, 1989.
6. On departure an official space post office cancellation of the space station "Mir" has been applied with the date of April 27, 1989.
7. A normal postal cancellation has been applied on April 27, 1989 at the Post Office in Dzheskazgan commemorating the safe landing of the Soyuz TM-7 spacecraft with the cards aboard.
8. Two special cancellations were applied with names of spaceships going up and returning to Earth: Progress-41 and Soyuz TM-7.
9. The USSR cosmonauts S.K. Krikalev, A.A. Volkov and V.V. Polyakov signed each of the 500 cards in space on board of the "Mir" orbital manned complex.
10. The Chairman of the USSR Glavkosmos A.I. Dunaev signed each of the 500 cards as well. His signature is confirmed by the USSR Glavkosmos cachet.
11. This card is addressed to the crew of Mir orbital station / card marked A /, and to the Chairman of the USSR Glavkosmos / card marked B /.


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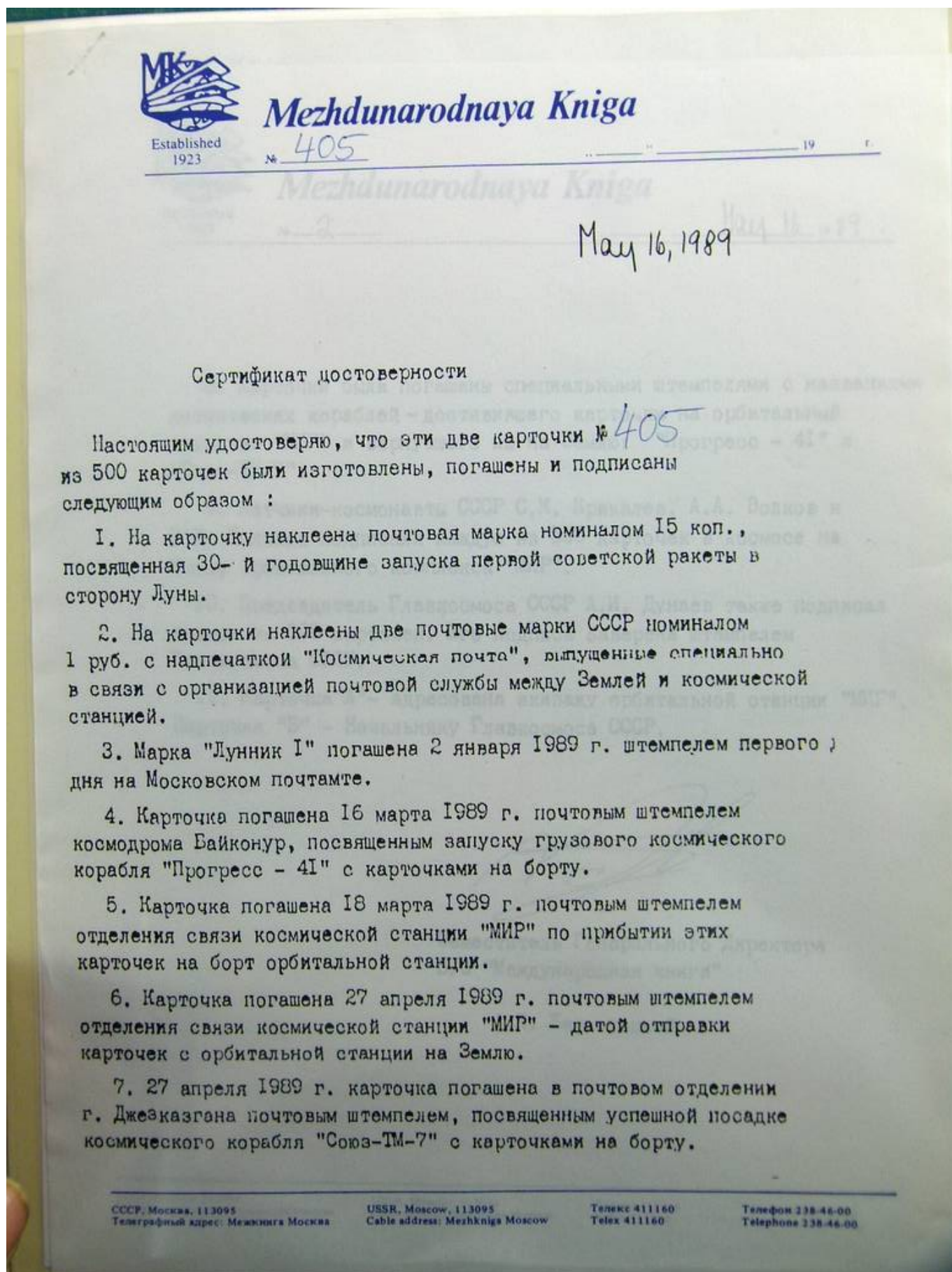


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Translation of the decree issued by the USSR Ministry of Communication to establish an official post office at the "MIR" orbital space complex.

1. On agreement with the USSR Glavkosmos in November 1988 by order of the USSR Ministry of Communications on board the orbital piloted complex "MIR" it was opened a post-office for receipt and sending of the cosmonauts official and private mail. With this purpose a special board calendar postmark was manufactured.
2. The delivery of mail to the "MIR" station is effected by transport spaceships of "Sojuz TM" or "Progress" series. The receipt testifies that a letter was sent by registered mail. The delivery of mail by transport spaceships is confirmed by the corresponding official stamp.
3. Receipt and sending of mail on board the "MIR" complex is effected by the cosmonaut nominated head of the post-office for the flight time.
4. Return of mail from space is effected by "Sojuz TM" transport spaceships that is certified by the corresponding stamp bearing the ordinal number of the spaceship.

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