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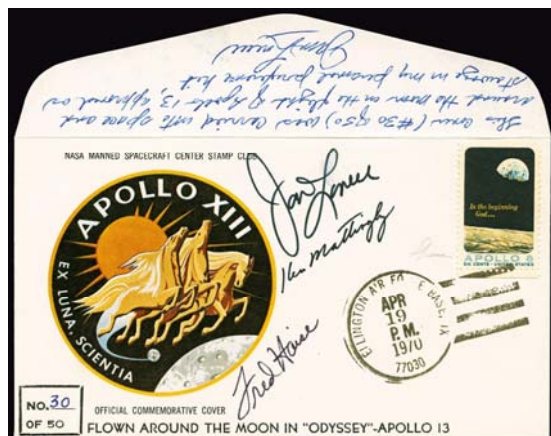
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COMPLETE SERIES OF THE APOLLO MISSIONS



Michael Collins and Edward "Buzz" Aldrin - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. 100% with expertise appendix 1987)
lot 145 - BASE 12,000.00



USA - 1970 - **APOLLO 13** - space letter n.30 out of 50 of Apollo 13 mission which had to be the third one to reach the Moon surface; however, a technical failure stopped it from landing on the Moon and even its return to the Earth was difficult - c.6 "Apollo 8" + canc. "Ellington Air Force Base, TX Apr 19 P.M. 1970" repeated also on the back - signatures of the astronauts James Lovell, Fred Haise and Ken Mattingly; Mattingly did not fly on Apollo 13 because he was ill so he was substituted by his back-up pilot Jack Swigert - on the back, handwritten declaration by J.Lovell "This cover (30 of 50) was carried into space and around the moon on the flight of Apollo 13 [...]" - R.Diena (cert.2013)
lot 147 - BASE 15,000.00



declaration by C.M.Duke issued on 29.7.85 in the presence of an American notary public - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. 100% with expertise appendix 1986) - Enzo Diena (cert.1986)
lot 151 - BASE 42,000.00





USA - 1989 - 20th Anniversary of Moon Conquest - Moon Phantoms - \$2,40+\$2,40 “Moon Phantoms”, multicoloured ex. lacking the line-engraved printing in black to complete the astronauts and the lunar craters - Yvert n.2162 - one of the most demanded varieties among space postage stamps - financial cert. A.Bolaffi 100% with expertise appendix (1992)
lot 156 - BASE 2,500.00



USSR - 1963 - first Woman in Space - commemorative FDC with k.6 green and carmine “Vostok 5-6” (Yvert n.2682), devoted to **Valentina Teresko** with Moscow canc. of 10.1.64 - signature of the first woman in Space, on 16.6.63 aboard Vostok 6, at its 50th anniversary - cert. in English Mezhdunarodnaya Kniga (1987) - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. 100% 1987)
lot 158 - BASE 150.00



USSR - 1977 - orbital station Salyut-6 - space letter of Soyuz 26 flight aboard Salyut-6 with signatures of the commander and the board technician, Romanenko and Gretschnko - date canc. “CC*CP 10.12.77” and “CC*CP 16.3.78” applied in the post office in Baikonur Cosmodrome (day of the Soyuz-26 launch and of the Soyuz-27 landing after 96 days of stay on Salyut-6) - black postmark “Aboard the space station Salyut-6 Cosmic Mail” and red “Cosmic Mail - carried on Soyuz spacecraft” - after the failed docking between Soyuz 25 and Salyut-6, Soyuz 26 successfully reached the space station, and, on 11.1.78, also Soyuz 27 arrived:

they could effect **the first docking of three vehicles in Space, and the first visit to the resident crew (Romanenko and Gretschnko) by a visiting crew (Dzhanibekov and Makarov - Soyuz 27)** - A.Bolaffi (financial cert. 100% with expertise appendix 1989) - cert. E.Diena (1988, Soyuz 27 mentioned)
lot 159 - BASE 1,000.00



USSR - 1988 - first postage stamp of space mail service - block of 10 stamps. ADF (Yvert 5573), the postage stamp “Science” of 1976 with red overprint “Kosmiceskaya Posta” (Space Mail) issued on 16.12.88 to celebrate the 30th anniversary of a probe sent to the Moon, Lunik-1 on 2.1.59 - signatures of the three cosmonauts Volkov, Krikalev and Polyakov, protagonists, on the following year, of Mir mission with the official opening of the first space post office for cosmonauts’ mail
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