

Hands on Stamps: 1965—International Cooperation Year

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FIGURE 1: Iran, Scott Catalogue # 1325, day of issue: June 22, 1965, value: 10 rials.

On November 10, 1961, Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru visited the United States of America. In response to his speech, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed 1965 to be the International Cooperation Year. The goal was to increase awareness, understanding, and the importance of cooperation in the world community to facilitate the peaceful resolution of major international conflicts.¹

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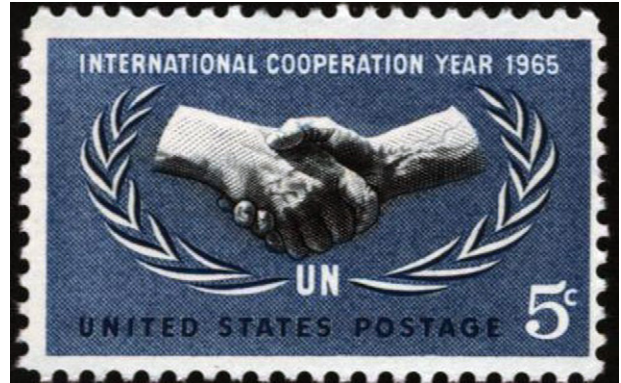


FIGURE 2: USA, Scott Catalogue # 1266, day of issue: June 26, 1965, value: 5 cents.



FIGURE 3: Burkina Faso (Upper Volta), Scott Catalogue # 23–24 and C24a sheet, issued: 1965, values: 25 and 100 F.

The proclamation, which coincided with the 20th anniversary of the United Nations, was commemorated internationally by members of the United Nations. Many countries around the world issued stamps with the common designs of hand shaking and the United Nations wreath. Figures 1 through 3 are 3 such stamps, which were issued by Iran, the United States of America, and Burkina Faso (Upper Volta), respectively.

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