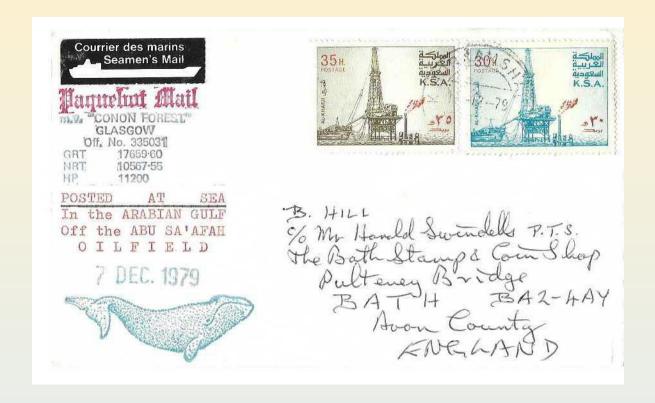
# Ship Handstamps

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#### COVER WITH KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA STAMPS CANCELLED IN IRAN, KHORAMSHAHR

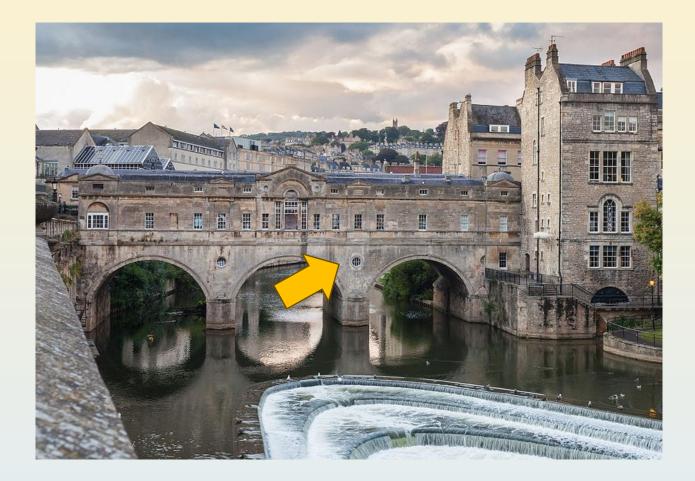


Two Al-Khafji stamps, from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, used at sea in the Arabian (Persian) Gulf from the container ship M.V. 'Conon Forest'. It was landed at the container port of Bandar Khomeini (formerly known as Bandar Shahpur) and handed to the Shipping Agent who took it to the Iranian Post Office in Khoramshahr, where his office was located in the nearest town to the port.

The town's Post Master applied his town-name/date cancel (17 December 1979), but had no Paquebot rubber stamp, hence the importance of the ship's own 'Paguebot Mail' rubber stamp in Gothic letters under the 'Seamen's Mail' sticker.

NOTE: The Post Office was destroyed by Iraqi forces shortly after 1979

#### Bath Stamp Shop, Bath, Avon, UK



The shop is on, and in the bridge, on two floors. The lower floor has a round window and is where most of the stockbooks were kept in 1978 (It may have changed since then!)

#### YANBU PRIDE



This cover and accompanying letter, signed by Dr Yousif Alturki, Director General for the Yanbu Project, celebrates the loading of the first crude oil shipment from Madinat Yanbu Al-Sinaiyah onto the supertanker, 'Yanbu Pride', 1 July 1981. It also bears the dual language ship's hand stamp.

On 16 May 1984, the 'Yanbu Pride' was hit about 50 miles off the Saudi port of Jubail during the escalation of hostilities between Iraq and Iraq. Subsequently, it was sold as 'Trade Honor' in 1988 and finally scrapped at Gadani Beach, Pakistan in 1992.

### YANBU PRIDE

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KINGDOM OF S	AUDI ARABIA
ROYAL COMMISSION FO	R JUBAIL & YANBU
Directorate General for Office of the Direc	No. 22 Construction Statistics Construction
To : All Royal Commission and Saudi Arabian Parsons Personnel. All Contractors معاعد From : Director General for Yanbu Projec Royal Commission for Jubail & Yan	وجميع المقاولين فيمدينة ينبع ا محمن العدي العادلمش ومنسبية علا
docking of the first supertanker at Madinat Yanbu Al-Sinaiyah, I would Like to thank all of you for making this possible. It is significant that the first tanker is the "Yanbu Pride", because I am sure all of us are feeling proud of this achievement	في هذه المناسبة التاريخية لرسو أرزاد للزيت الخام في مينا "مدينة ينيع العناعية ، أود أن أقدم فكرى البكم لمساهمتكم في تحقد ذلك،، كلمة بم بنابه ثعور الفخر لبلوغ هذا الهدف حقا، أن تمدير أول شخة زيت خام مر مدينة ينبع المناعية بعتبر معلمتاريخ
Madinat Yanbu Al-Sinaiyah is truly an historical milestone in the King- dom of Saudi Arabia. It marks the First shipment of crude oil from the West Coast of the Kingdom. The first shipment will contain 1,280,000 barrels, 13% of the total production of the Kingdom. Soon exports from Madinat Yanbu Al-Sinaiyah will reach 1.6 million barrels per day, providing an alternative export capability of 16% of the Kingdom's total production. This could not have been possible	مدينة بنبغ المناعية يعتبر معلم تاريخ في حباة المعلكة العربية السعودية وهكذ ا يتم تعدير الشحنة الاولى عسرالسا سنسة ١٢٠/ من اجعالي الانتاج اليومي ف المملكة وفي القريب انشا الله ،سيبلغ مجموع الكمبات المعدرة عبر مينا مدينة ينب المناعية الي ٦ ( الميون برميل في السو حب تذكل امكانية بديلة لتدبر ٢/١/ مكن طوغ ذلك بدون الآدا ؟ الجاد من قم شركة ضرولاين لمصاهمتكم في اظهار هذا المعلم فس
Please accept my sincere personal thanks for your contribution in the achievement of this milestone in our history. Dr. Yousif I. Alturki Director General for Yanbu Project ROYAL COMMISSION FOR JUBAIL & YANBU	ولكم تحياتين.
Ref : DG/1246 Date : 5/7/1981 Enclo :	Please address your replies to: P.O. Box 31 - Cable: "JABEEN" Tels:: 5211139 - 3211140 Telex: 430303/ARCYNBU SJ

## Letter contained in previous cover.

YANBU PRIDE



Opération Daguet was the codename for French operations during the 1991 Gulf War. BSS Rance was anchored in the port at Yanbu Al-Sinaiyah to provide medical support, including a special unit for the wounded to treat burns and those injured by chemical weapons.

In addition to the French Military cancellations, it also bears a 'Bâtiment Soutien Santé Rance' hand stamp plus a map, indicating the ship's location at Yanbu, on the Red Sea.

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