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After a thorough and careful study of the item submitted to me for authentication as EGYPT - FRENCH POST OFFICE IN ALEXANDRIA, 1921 (7th April), 2 francs deep lilac and yellow-orange (of October, 1902) with black, typographed LOCAL SURCHARGE OF "60 Mill.",

a used example, tied to small piece, of the VARIETY, LARGE FIGURE "60".

Yvert #48a, S.G. #50a, Scott #44a, of which an exact-size, color photograph is affixed to this document, I hereby certify it to be.....

## GENUINE IN ALL RESPECTS

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This typographically surcharged denomination of 60 millèmes is recorded as having been applied in April of 1921 to a total of 725 examples (twenty-nine blocks, each of twenty-five subjects) of the current 2 francs stamp. Prepared locally at Alexandria as a result of an immediate need to convert into Egyptian currency existing stocks of stamps denominated in French currency, prior to the arrival (in May of 1921) of stamps similarly surcharged in Paris. Its small printing reflects the fact that it was produced only for provisional usage. The large figure "60" variety of typesetting, found in positions #15, 20 and 25 of the pane, is said to have been corrected during the printing. Even if such was not actually the case, a maximum of 87 examples of this variety could have existed. This submitted stamp is from position #20 of the pane, and is tied to a small piece by a genuine postmark of "ALEXANDRIE EGYPT / 25 AVRIL 21". C.F.H.

### 60 Mill.

The normal surcharge



### 60 Mill.

The variety of surcharge, with large figure "60"

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