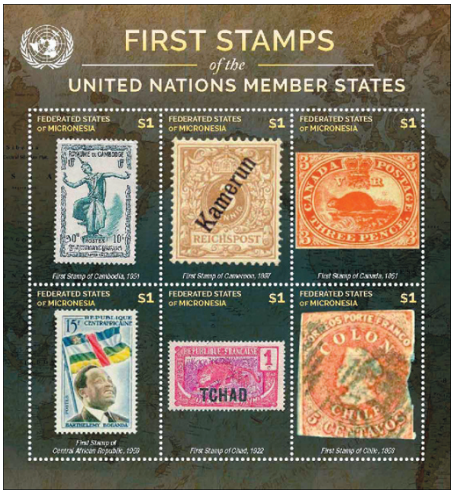
IGPC Launches First Stamps Series

Starting last July the Inter-Governmental Philatelic Corporation embarked on a program that should prove popular with Classic stamp collectors. The theme of the series is First Stamps, or more specifically, the Number One issues of United Nations member states.

Shown here is a sampling of the sheetlets, with the name of the issuing country in the border above each first stamp.

Most of the sheetlets present six First Stamps, one exception being the United States 1847 First Issue, shown below.

The British Penny Black—the world's first postage stamp—is part of a sheetlet issued by the Federated States of Micronesia (lower right).

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