

## The "Office des Timbres" of Monaco celebrates the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Princess Charlene of Monaco Foundation

The "Office des Timbres" of Monaco will put on sale, on Monday 10 April 2017, two stamps celebrating the 5th anniversary of the Princess Charlene of Monaco Foundation.

The two stamps are copies of photos of H.S.H. Princess Charlene in action for Her Foundation.



Face value: 0,71 €
Photo Gaëtan Luci / Palais Princier de Monaco
Printing process: Offset
Size of the stamp: 40,85 x 30 mm horizontal
Quantity of issue: 50.000 stamps
Sheet of 10 stamps with illuminations
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The photo on the 0,71€ face value represents a view of the "South Africa – Monaco Rugby Exchange", which takes place as part of the Saint Devote Rugby Tournament and welcomes young South African children in Monaco.

The one on the 0,85 € face value was taken in Corsica during a Water Safety day.



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Indeed, the missions of the Princess Charlene of Monaco Foundation are to raise public awareness about the dangers of water, teach children preventive measures and teach them to swim.

Its primary objective is to save lives by putting an end to drowning.

The World Health Organization estimated that in the world one person dies of drowning every 85 seconds (1).

Children under the age of 5 are the most affected, more than half the victims are under the age of 25.

When a drowning is non-fatal, often the victim is left with severe aftereffects, in particular neurological.

A number of "Learn to Swim" and "Water Safety" programmes have been implemented around the world in order to fight against this scourge.

The Foundation's actions are also based on the values of sport such as discipline, self-respect and respect for others, determination and team spirit.

The "Sport and Education" programme uses sporting activities as tools to contribute to the well-being and development for all children no matter their origin or circumstances.

From December 2012 through to December 2016 more than 307,000 people, mainly children, benefited from these three programmes in 30 countries (2).

The two stamps will be on sale at the "Office des Timbres", the "Musée des Timbres et des Monnaies", the post offices and philatelic counters of the Principality, the Monaco stamp-dealers as well as the "Musée de la Poste" and the "Carré d'Encre" in Paris, France.

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(2): Australia, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, Dominican Republic, France, Gabon, Ghana, Greece, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Macedonia, Madagascar, Malaysia, Monaco, Morocco, Nepal, Nicaragua, Peru, Philippines, Senegal, Serbia, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Thailand, U.S.A. and Zimbabwe.

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