

December 20, 1963 FREEDOM FROM HUNGER

FREEDOM FROM HUNGER STAMPS (December 20, 1963)

The Philippines joins the world in supporting the campaign of freedom from hunger which was launched in 1960 by the FAO of the United Nations.

The whole world is aware of the problems of hunger and malnutrition and finding solutions to such problems is being done both on national and international basis. As a universal gesture of support to the campaign, several countries have issued stamps.

The Philippines on its part today issues its own Freedom From Hunger Stamps. The stamps, of a vertical type were designed by Nemesio Dimanlig, Jr., philatelic artist. It depicts a typical Filipina country lass with some palay stalks in her left arm and a scythe in her right hand.

The word "Pilipinas" appears on the top left portion of the stamp, with the symbol of the Freedom From Hunger Campaign on the upper right hand corner. On the right side under the rice stalk is the denominational value. "Freedom From Hunger" and "Kalayaan sa Gutom" (Filipino translation) are inscribed in two lines across the lower portion of the stamps.

A total of six million has been printed - 3,000,000 of the 6-centavos denomination, 2,000,000 of the 30-centavos, and 1,000,000 of the 50-centavos denomination.

The stamp measures 25,5 x 40 mm including perforation without white marginal space. It has been heliogravured printed by the Government Printing Bureau of Japan in multicolor and in sheets of 50.

