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PROPOSED NEW SPANISH PHILIPPINE ADDITIONS TO THE SCOTT CATALOGUE

by Don Peterson

The publication of my article, "Unlisted (Scott) Surcharges of the 1881-1888 Period" (PPN Vol. VIII, No. 1, September 1986; and Vol. IX, No. 1, January 1987), which described 49 additional surcharged issues of the 1881-1888 period, has generated considerable interest in the unlisted issues of the Spanish Philippines. Since then, many new unlisted issues have been added to my list, and a few have been deleted (incorporated into Scott, such as #123a; or they were subsequently determined to be forgeries). Additionally, new information from other references has come to light. Currently, I have recorded a total of 67 unlisted issues of the 1881-1888 period. This is remarkable, since there are only 46 listed issues in the current Scott catalogue.

The surcharged issues were produced in Manila. The handstamps to produce these issues were apparently accessible enough to postal personnel to allow many non-authorized (spurious) stamps to be produced. Undoubtedly the vast majority of these 67 unlisted surcharged stamps fit that category and should not be listed as legitimate postal issues.

However, several of these surcharged issues appear to be legitimate. Most were surcharged with known surcharge types (i.e., Bartels et al. 1904). However, a few were surcharged with unlisted types. In this article, these new types are given a number by affixing a capital letter to the Bartels et al. (1904) type most closely matching it (e.g., type XIII A). During the past four years, with considerable help from Richard Miggins, Sofronio Agustin, and Nigel Gooding, seven (7) currently unlisted issues have been identified with sufficient supporting data to warrant inclusion in the Scott catalogue. In fact, several of these are already listed in the Gibbons and Edifil catalogues.

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The following is a summary of supporting data for the addition of seven (7) proposed new Spanish Philippine stamps to the Scott catalogue. The stamps are all surcharged issues of the 1881-1888 period. A proposed Scott number is also indicated for each stamp. The key references represent the earliest, and most often, the most important supporting references. Other references are indicated as additional supporting information. In each case, illustrations of one or more examples of each stamp are shown (Figures 1 through 18).

1r black (d) on 2 4/8c ultramarine (#78)

Proposed Scott Listing - 94A A19 (d) 1r on 2 4/8c ultra (#78) ('83)

Key References - Mencarini (1896) listed the stamp (#95). Galvez (1900) listed the stamp (#142) and indicated it was issued in 1883. Bartels et al. (1904) listed it as a stamp of doubtful status (#D110.1), but also listed Friederich (1894) and Kohl (1902/03) as references. Bartels et al. (1904) lists a 1r red forged surcharge on 12 4/8c lilac-gray (R1) (#C118.1), which is stated to be the same as the 1r black surcharge of #D110.1 (stamp of doubtful status). In spite of this confusion, this author believes the 1r black surcharge on the 2 4/8c ultramarine (#78) is genuine. Hanciau (October 31, 1905) discussed the stamp (page 81), and indicated it was printed in error.

Other References - The stamp was listed by Friederich (1894) and Kohl (1902/03). Harradine (1987) listed the stamp (#S133), but erroneously listed it with surcharge type "e" instead of type "d". This stamp is listed as Item 5 in an article on unlisted Scott issues by Peterson (1986).

Reported Stamps/Comments - Due to the similarity of this stamp and surcharge to Scott #94 (1r instead of 2r), it probably has gone undetected by many collectors. One postally used stamp with a black type 2 certificado handstamp (Peterson, 1988/1989) is currently in the D. Peterson collection (1994) (Figure 1). A used stamp, with an indiscernible postal cancel, is in the R. Miggins collection (1994) (Figure 2). A used stamp (Figure 3) cancelled with a circular date cancel is currently in the N. Gooding collection (1994). The surcharges on Figures 1 and 3 are similar, whereas the surcharge type on Figure 2 is different, indicating that at least two different handstamps were used to surcharge the stamps. Neither type is similar to the 1r surcharge types (types XII and XIII) listed by Bartels et al. (1904) for Scott #93, 103, 104, and others. The above stamps were inspected by this author and are judged to be genuine. The new surcharge types are numbered type XIII A (Figures 1 and 3) and type XIII B (Figure 2). Total stamps in existence estimated at 50-100.

Forgeries - A forged surcharge of a type unlisted by Bartels et al. (1904) is known on Scott #79 and 80; including an example on Scott #79 currently in the D. Peterson collection (1994). That example also has a bogus cancellation.

8c green (e) on 1r green (d) on 2c carmine (#76)

Proposed Scott Listing - 99A A19 (e+d) 8c on 2r on 2c car ('83)

Key References - Cotter and Quinto (1895) listed the stamp (#106), and indicated it was issued in 1883 or 1884. Mencarini (1896) listed the stamp (#95c). Galvez (1900) listed the stamp (#128), and indicated it was issued in 1883. Bartels et al. (1904) listed it as a stamp of doubtful status (#D122.3), but also listed Friederich (1894) as a reference. Palmer (1912) (page 37) indicated that Bartels had a stamp in his collection and was aware of a number of others in existence. Palmer (1912) also stated that Bartels believed it was "unquestionably genuine".

Other References - The stamp was listed by Friederich (1894). The stamp is listed as Item 13 in an article on unlisted Scott issues by Peterson (1986).

Reported Stamps/Comments - One postally used stamp (Figure 4), with a black oval net (padilla) cancel, is currently in the D. Peterson collection (1994). The used stamp has a surcharge similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XIII for the 1r surcharge, found on Scott #97, 103, and others; and type XXIV for the 8c surcharge, found on Scott #95. One mint stamp is in the R. Miggins collection (1994) (Figure 5). On that stamp the 8c green (e) surcharge is similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XXIV; however, the 1r green (d) surcharge type is not discernible. Additionally, the 8c green (e) surcharge on the stamp in the R. Miggins collection (1994) is inverted (Figure 10). The above stamps were inspected by this author and are judged to be genuine.

Palmer (1912) reported that Bartels et al. (1904) had a stamp in his collection, and that Bartels was aware of a number of other such stamps. Philips (1924) reported that the stamp was shown by Ferrars Tows at a meeting of the Collector's Club of New York on April 2, 1924. Philips (1924) does not indicate if the stamp was mint or used. However, for reasons unknown, the stamp did not appear in the Tows (1948) auction. Total stamps in existence estimated at 100-200.

Forgeries - Forgeries of each surcharge (8c green and 1r green) are known singly, as well as together on the same stamp. For example,

Bartels et al. (1904) lists a forgery of the 8c green (e) surcharge on 2c rose (#76) (#C122), similar to Scott #95. An unlisted forgery exists of the 1r green (d) surcharge on 2c rose (#76), similar to Scott #97. Another unlisted forgery exists with both surcharges on the same stamp. These three forgeries are currently in the D. Peterson collection (1994).

1r red (d) on 20c bistre brown (#87)

Proposed Scott Listing - 104A A19 (d) 1r on 20c bis brn ('83)

Key References - Mencarini (1896) listed the stamp (#91), and indicated that 10,000 were issued on June 4, 1883. Galvez (1900) listed the stamp (#113), and indicated it was issued in 1882. Bartels et al. (1904) listed it as a stamp of doubtful status (#D110.2). Palmer (1912) discussed the stamp (page 36), referenced Mencarini (1896), indicated he had seen one unused stamp, and believed the surcharge was genuine.

Other References - The stamp is listed as Item 10 in an article on unlisted Scott issues by Peterson (1986).

Reported Stamps/Comments - One mint stamp is currently in the D. Peterson collection (1994), with a surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103, 104, and others (Figure 6). Three mint stamps are in the R. Miggins collection (1994), representing two different handstamp types, neither of which are listed by Bartels et al. (1904) (Figures 7, 8, and 9). Thus, at least three different handstamps were used to produce the surcharge. The new surcharge types are numbered XIIC (Figure 7), and type XIID (Figures 8 and 9). Type XIIC is also similar to #129A (Figure 15). The above stamps were inspected by this author and are judged to be genuine.

Palmer (1912) indicated he had seen one unused stamp and believed the surcharge was genuine. It is questionable that 10,000 stamps were issued, given its current scarcity. Total stamps in existence estimated at 100-200,

Forgeries - None reported/known.

1r black (d) on 10 pesetas bistre (R3)

Proposed Scott Listing - 119A R3 (d) 1r on 10p bis ('83)

Key References - Bartels et al. (1904) listed it as a stamp of doubtful

status (#D121.1), but listed Friederich (1894) and Kohl (1902/03) as references. Hanciau (November 30, 1905) listed the stamp (page 97) and indicated it was issued in October 1883. Palmer (1912) discussed the stamp (page 37), and listed Friederich (1894) and Kohl (1902/03) as references.

Other References - The stamp was listed by Friederich (1894) and Kohl (1902/03). Harradine (1987) mentioned the stamp (page 48), indicating it was reported by one authority. The stamp is listed as Item 24 in an article on unlisted Scott issues by Peterson (1986).

Reported Stamps/Comments - Two mint stamps are in the R. Miggins collection (1994) (Figures 10 and 11). One of the stamps (Figure 10) is hole-punched, which indicates it could be a remainder or could have been used on a telegraph receipt. One mint stamp is currently in the S. Agustin collection (1994) (Figure 12). All three stamps have surcharge types similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103, 104, 126, and others. The above stamps were inspected by this author and are judged to be genuine. Total stamps in existence estimated at 50-100.

Forgeries - None reported/known.

1r red (d) on 1r green (R1)

Proposed Scott Listing - 129A R1 (d) 1r on 1r green ('83).

Key References - Mencarini (1896) listed the stamp (#121) and indicated that 10,000 were issued on June 4, 1883. Bartels et al. (1904) listed it as a stamp of doubtful status (#D91.1). In addition to listing it as a stamp of doubtful status, Bartels et al. (1904) also lists the same stamp as a forgery (#C02.1), which this author questions. Palmer (1912) discussed the stamp (page 37) and indicated 10,000 were issued.

Other References - Harradine (1987) listed the stamp as "scarce" (#S143), and indicated 10,000 were issued. The stamp is listed as Item 26 in an article on unlisted Scott issues by Peterson (1986).

Reported Stamps/Comments - One postally used stamp is currently in the N. Gooding collection (1994), and is cancelled with a black type 6 certificado handstamp (Peterson, 1988/1989) (Figure 13). The surcharge is similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103, 104, and others. Two mint stamps are currently in the R. Miggins

collection (1994). One mint stamp has a surcharge similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII (Figure 14), for Scott #103, 104, and others; and the other mint stamp has a different surcharge type (Figure 15), which is similar to #104A (Figure 7). Thus, at least two different handstamps were used to produce the surcharge. The above stamps have been inspected by this author and are judged to be genuine. It is questionable that 10,000 stamps were issued, given its current scarcity. Total stamps in existence estimated at 100-200.

In April 1985, I briefly inspected a cover containing three postally used stamps. They occurred as a single and a pair on an "R.S." (official) cover, along with some other issues, including a single of proposed Scott #129B (below). The cover was from Manila to an unidentified Hacienda on the Island of Negros. A black circular date cancel (with star in lower circle), dated February 6, 1887, and a black padilla cancel were applied to the cover. The stamps were "tied" to the cover with the black padilla cancel. The cancels appeared genuine, although it was late use for the circular date cancel (with star in lower circle). The cover was accompanied with a February 8, 1985, COMEX certificate, which concluded that the stamps (presumably all) were counterfeit. The current whereabouts of the cover is unknown. This author questions the conclusion by that certificate. One of the stamps, proposed Scott #129B (below), is currently listed in the Edifil catalogue (1991) (#66V). Until the cover can be thoroughly re-examined, the status of the cover and COMEX certificate remains a mystery.

Forgeries - Bartel et al. (1904) lists a forgery of this stamp (#C02), which he indicates was produced in Manila. A forgery of this stamp, with a "rose-red" instead of a "red" surcharge, is currently in the D. Peterson collection (1994).

2r pale red (d) on 2r blue (R1)

Proposed Scott Listing - 129B R1 (d) 2r on 2r blue ('81)

Key References - The stamp is listed by many authorities. Lopez (1890) first listed the stamp (#105), and indicated it was issued in 1882. Cotter and Quinto (1895) listed the stamp (#90), and indicated it was issued in 1882. Mencarini (1896) listed the stamp (#122), and indicated that 10,000 were issued on October 27, 1881. Galvez (1900) listed the stamp (#109), and indicated it was issued in 1882. Bartels et al. (1904) listed it as a stamp of doubtful status (#D129.1), but listed Mencarini (1896) and Kohl (1902/03) as references. Hanciau (September 30, 1905) listed the stamp (page 47), and indicated it was

issued in November 1881. Palmer (1912) discussed the stamp (page 34), and refers to Mencarini (1896) and Kohl (1902/03). The current Edifil catalogue (1991) lists the stamp (#66V).

Other References - The stamp is listed by Friederich (1894) and Kohl (1902/03). Harradine (1987) listed the stamp (#S144), indicated it was "scarce", and that 10,000 were issued (probably in 1882). The stamp is listed as Item 27 in an article on unlisted Scott issues by Peterson (1986).

Reported Stamps/Comments - One mint stamp is currently in the D. Peterson collection (1994) (Figure 16). A mint stamp is currently in the R. Miggins collection (1994) (Figure 17). Both stamps have a surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XXVII, for Scott #123. One of the two surcharges on Scott #123 is, in fact, the same 2r pale red surcharge, Bartels et al. (1904) type XXVII, found singly on this stamp. The above stamps have been inspected by this author and are judged to be genuine. Although some early cataloguers have called the stamp "red", this author has confirmed that it is "pale red" instead. All stamps seen to-date have a "pale red" surcharge.

Many other stamps have been reported, including one mint stamp (Lot #668) in the Tows Auction (1948), and two mint stamps in the former Nestor Jacob collection (1983). The current whereabouts of those stamps is unknown. Undoubtedly, many stamps exist since it is currently listed in the Edifil catalogue (1991). One postally used stamp occurs on an 1887 cover (refer to discussion of cover under proposed Scott #129A above). That stamp is cancelled with what appears to be a genuine black padilla cancel. It is questionable that 10,000 stamps were issued, given its current scarcity. Total stamps in existence estimated at 200-300.

Forgeries - None reported /known.

blue (m) on 10 cuartos bistre (R1)

Proposed Scott Listing - 129C R1 (m) 10c bis ('81). Add new heading "surcharged in Blue".

Key References - The stamp is listed by many authorities. Lopez (1890) first listed the stamp (#92) and indicated it was issued in 1881. Mencarini (1896) listed the stamp (#133) and Galvez (1900) listed the stamp (#94), both indicating it was issued in 1881. The 1902-1904 editions of the Scott catalogue listed the stamp (#261), although the

current edition (1994) doesn't. Bartels et al. (1904) listed the stamp (#82), and indicated it was issued in January 1881 with surcharge type VI. Hanciau (September 30, 1905) discussed the stamp (page 46) and indicated he had never seen a stamp. The stamp is listed in the current Stanley Gibbons catalogue (1975) (#128), which indicates it was issued in January 1881. It is listed in the current Edifil catalogue (1991) (#66E).

Other References - Harradine (1987) listed the stamp (#S134), indicated it was "very scarce", and was issued in January 1881. The stamp is listed as Item 29 in an article on unlisted Scott issues by Peterson (1987). An APS certificate (#8440), dated February 24, 1993, lists the stamp as "genuine in all respects".

Reported Stamps/Comments - One mint stamp is currently in the R. Miggins collection (1994) (with above mentioned APS certificate) (Figure 18). The stamp has a surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type VI, for Scott #127 and 127A. It was inspected by this author and is judged to be genuine.

Undoubtedly, other stamps exist, since it is listed in the current Stanley Gibbons (1975) and Edifil (1991) catalogues. Total stamps in existence estimated at 100-200.

Forgeries - A forgery of this stamp is listed by Bartels et al. (1904) (#C82).

SUMMARY

The following is a summary of the proposed new listings, figures, Bartels et al. (1904) surcharge types, and new surcharge types.

Proposed New Listing	Figure	Bartels Surcharge Type	New Surcharge Type
94A	1	NL	XIIIA
94A	2	NL	XIIIB
94A	3	NL	XIIIA
99A	4	XIII (1r surch.)	---
99A		XXIV (8c surch.)	---
99A	5	ND (1r surch.)	---
		XXIV (8c surch.)	---
104A	6	XII	---
104A	7	NL	XIIIC

104A	8	NL	XIIID
104A	9	NL	XIIID
104A	10	XII	---
119A	11	XII	---
119A	12	XII	---
129A	13	XII	---
129A	14	XII	---
129A	15	NL	XIIIC
129B	16	XXVII	---
129B	17	XXVII	---
129C	18	VI	---

ND- Not Discernible

NL- Not Listed

If anyone has any copies of the above stamps, photocopies would be appreciated (highlighting the surcharge). Please contact Don Peterson, 7408 Alaska Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20012.



Figure 1. Proposed Scott #94A. Used stamp cancelled with a black Type 2 certificado handstamp (Peterson, 1988/1989). Although the surcharge type is not listed by Bartels et al. (1904), it is assigned a new number, XIII A. Surcharge type similar to #94A (Figure 3). D. Peterson collection (1994).



Figure 2. Proposed Scott #94A. Used stamp with indiscernible cancel. Although the surcharge type is not listed by Bartels et al. (1904), it is assigned a new number, XIII B. Surcharge type different from #94A (Figures 1 and 3). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 3. Proposed Scott #94A. Used stamp with circular date cancel. Although the surcharge type is not listed by Bartels et al. (1904), it is assigned a new number, XIII A. Surcharge type similar to #94A (Figure 1). N. Gooding Collection (1994).



Figure 4. Proposed Scott #99A. Used stamp with black padilla cancel. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XXIV for the 8c surcharge, and type XIII for the 1r surcharge. D. Peterson collection (1994).



Figure 5. Proposed Scott #99A. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XXIV for the 8c surcharge; however, the 1r surcharge type is not discernible. R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 6. Proposed Scott #104A. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103 and 104. D. Peterson collection (1994).



Figure 7. Proposed Scott #104A. Mint stamp. Although the surcharge type is not listed by Bartels et al. (1904), it is assigned a new number, XIIIIC. Surcharge type similar to #129A (Figure 15). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 8. Proposed Scott #104A. Mint stamp. Although the surcharge type is not listed by Bartels et al. (1904), it is assigned a new number, XIIIID. Surcharge type similar to #104A (Figure 9). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 9. Proposed Scott #104A. Mint stamp. Although the surcharge type is not listed by Bartels et al. (1904), it is assigned a new number, XIIIID. Surcharge type similar to #104A (Figure 8). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 10. Proposed Scott #119A. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103, 104, and 126. Surcharge type similar to #119A (Figures 11 and 12). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 11. Proposed Scott #119A. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103, 104, and 126. Surcharge type similar to #119A (Figures 10 and 12). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 12. Proposed Scott #119A. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103, 104, and 126. Surcharge type similar to #119A (Figures 10 and 11). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 13. Proposed Scott #129A. Used stamp cancelled with a black type 6 certificado handstamp (Peterson, 1988/1989). Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103 and 104. Surcharge type similar to #129A (Figure 14). N. Gooding collection (1994).



Figure 14. Proposed Scott #129A. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XII, for Scott #103 and 104. Surcharge type similar to #129A (Figure 13). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 15. Proposed Scott #129A. Mint stamp. Although the surcharge type is not listed by Bartels et al. (1904), it is assigned a new number, XIIC. Surcharge type similar to #104A (Figure 7). R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 16. Proposed Scott #129B. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XVIII, for Scott #94. D. Peterson collection (1994).



Figure 17. Proposed Scott #129B. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type XX, for Scott #94. R. Miggins collection (1994).



Figure 18. Proposed Scott #129C. Mint stamp. Surcharge type similar to Bartels et al. (1904) type VI, for Scott #127 and #127A. R. Miggins collection (1994).

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PARADISE LOST

By Eugene A. Garrett

Although not a Philippines item, the illustrated card turns up often enough in the hands of inexperienced collectors to warrant yet another expose.

It is really quite handsome, with the basic printing on the address side (Fig. 1) in black; the "Service Des Prisonniers De Guerre", the kanji "Gunji Yubin" (Prisoner of War Mail) at right, and the "U.S. Censorship" in red; and the address and return address in blue.

On the message side (Fig. 2), the basic printing is in black and the ostensible handwritten words and deleting marks are in blue, as though done with pen-and-ink by PFC Bob F. Paradise.

The only thing wrong with the card is that it is a fake, albeit a very good one. It was the work of the famous Father Flanagan, founder of Boys' Town, whose organization appealed for charitable funds through mail campaigns for many years. This card was the centerpiece of one such solicitation, and while a record of the printing is unknown, it can be guessed that it was printed in the hundreds of thousands. The good Father is not accused of creating the card to defraud stamp collectors, but merely to tug heart-strings enough to inspire nice donations.

If you have such a card, you can rest assured that you are not the only one. The dead giveaway is to place two examples side-by-side; they are not just very similar, not just very close, but absolutely identical in every respect! If you paid more than a couple of bucks, you didn't get you money's worth. ■

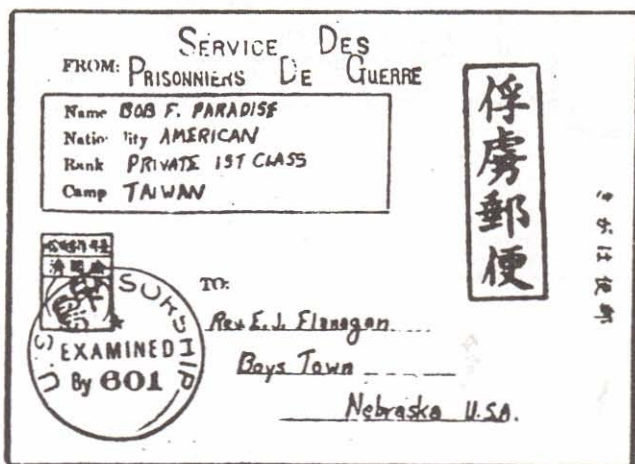


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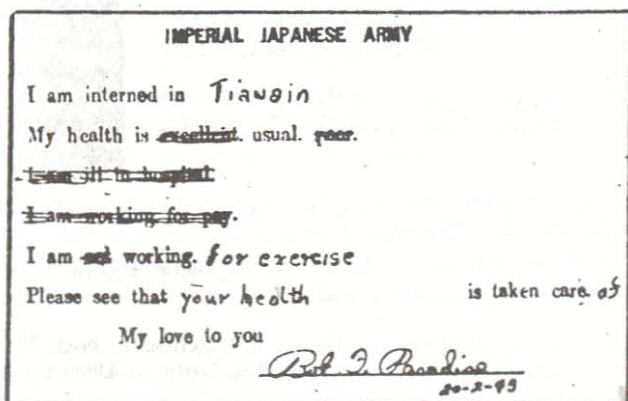


Fig 2

- Editor's Note . . . I would like to take this opportunity to thank those authors who have shared their knowledge with us . . . and to encourage you to try your hand at writing. IPPS has a number of members with specialized expertise who would be willing to review your thoughts and help you with the composition and preparation of an article, if you will contact me and let me know how we might be of help.

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