

# ANGOLA

## POSTAL HISTORY

### MARITIME MAIL

**PACKET BOATS.** Packet boats were used from the beginning of the mail system to carry letters and parcels between Angola and Portugal. Later Airmail began to take some letter requiring quick transit, and today all mail goes by air. The first markings were COR MARITIMO and later markings PAQUEBOT, PAQUETE/PAQUEBOT was used. Special markings were applied when letters were posted on board the Portuguese merchant boats, sometimes with the boats name and at other times with a general MARITIMA marking. Port markings also carried the MARITIMA indicator with the actual port placed in front, eg. Luanda = Lda G.

