

## 1912. PROVISIONALS ISSUED AT LUANDA

### PROVISIONAL OVERPRINT

A shortage of low value stamps for regular mail made it necessary to overprint higher and redundant values. The overprint for the 75r violet Carlos Mouchon, consisted of a local San-serif purple "REPUBLICA", and a black "25" with an obliterator. This was also applied to a limited number of redundant rose 25r "*PROVISORIO*" o/p Carlos Mouchon stamps. These stamps gain a premium today. Three surcharges of similar form were applied to the 1911 "REPUBLICA" 15r Carlos Mouchon overprint - half, five and ten, along with obliterator. The surcharges were printed in Luanda with only limited care, and so numerous printing errors occur. It is believed that much of the printer's waste was actually created for the philatelic trade.

### ERRORS

The republica overprint of the 75r violet is misspelled in the first stamp of each sheet, "REUPBLICA" instead of "REPUBLICA". Also, examples of this surcharge are found without the republica overprint.

The usual printer's waste can be found with all these issues: missing elements, shifts, duplication and inversion. Letter shifts in the local "REPUBLICA" o/p is evident and a shortened fraction stroke is found on the 2.5/15r green.

### FORGERIES

There is evidence that the local Republica o/p has been forged over the years, and this includes the rose 75r "*PROVISORIO*" issue. They are very hard to identify. A reversed E in the 75r rose o/p, minus the surcharge, is obviously a creation.



Overprint of 1902/3, 75r. Carlos Mouchon. rose and 1903, 75r. dull purple.

25 on 75 rose "*PROVISORIO*" overprint. R

25 on 75 violet..... "REUPBLICA", R.

Overprint of 1911, 15r. green Carlos Mouchon

2.5 on 15 green

5 on 15 green

10 on 15 green.

1912 — Selos de 1902 e 1903, com sobrecarga «REPUBLICA» e sobretaxa local



"PROVISORIO" Surcharge.



25/75 Surcharge.

1912 — Selos de D. Carlos I, com sobretaxa local

