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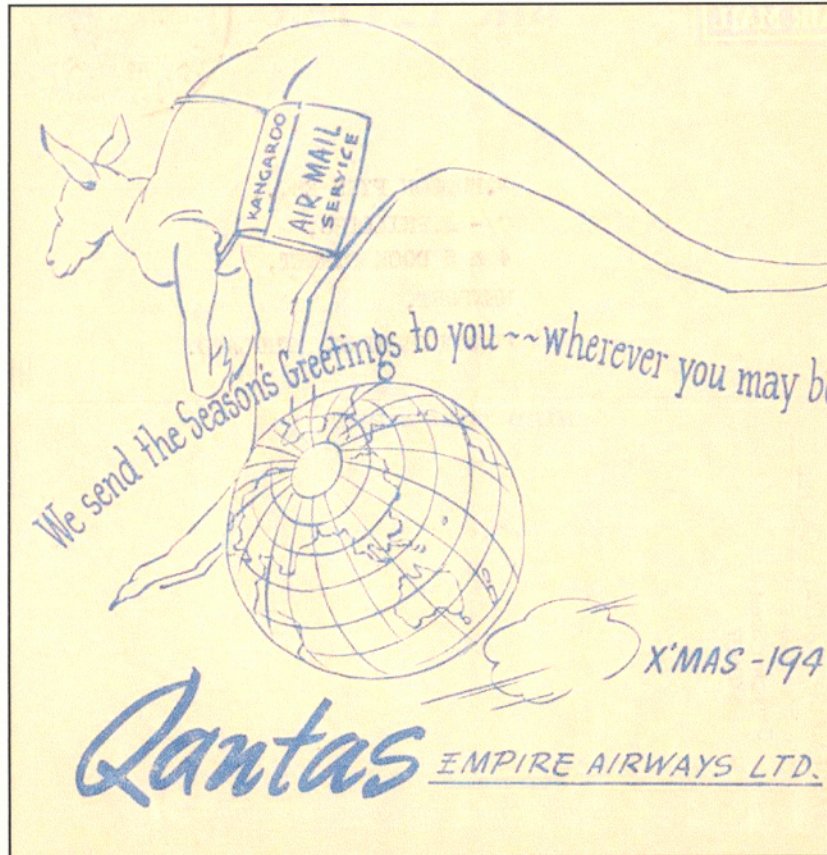
AIR LETTER in **two words**.

Blue overlay and legend on yellow paper - **Five address lines**.

Two sealing flaps.

First day October 11, 1944.

Inside at 85%.



Air letter sent December 3, 1944 from Sydney to **Newport, England**

Only 100 XMAS greetings were printed by Qantas.



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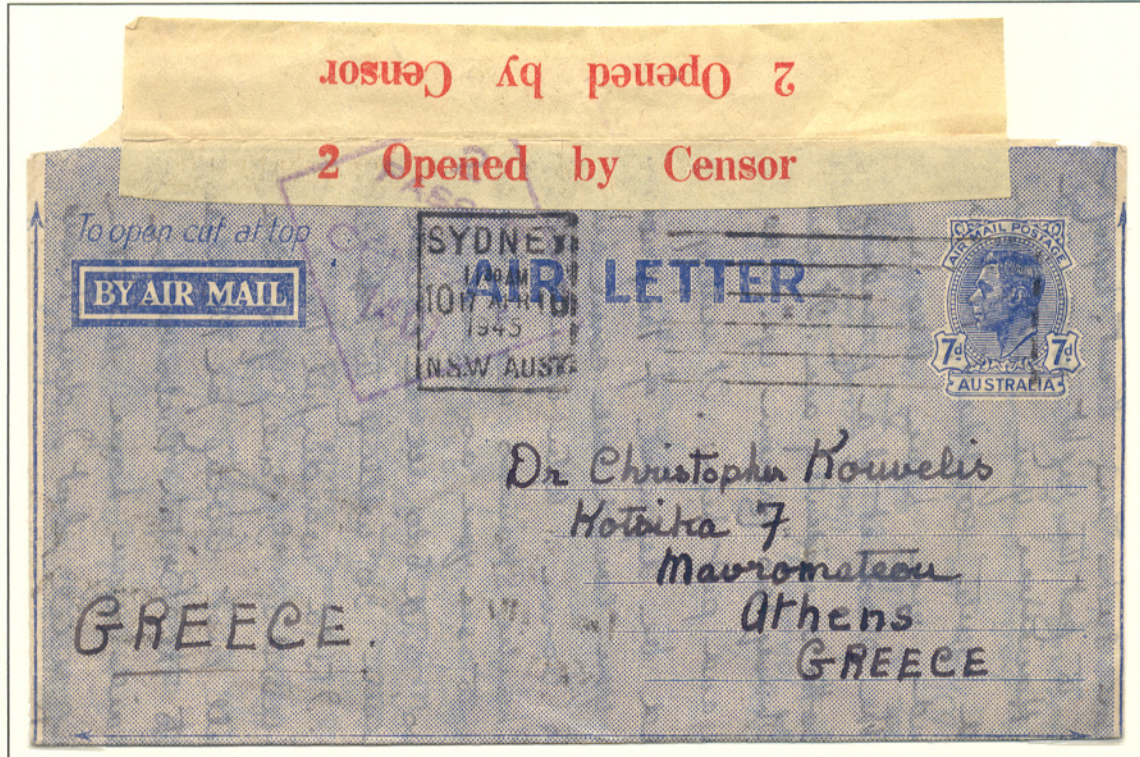
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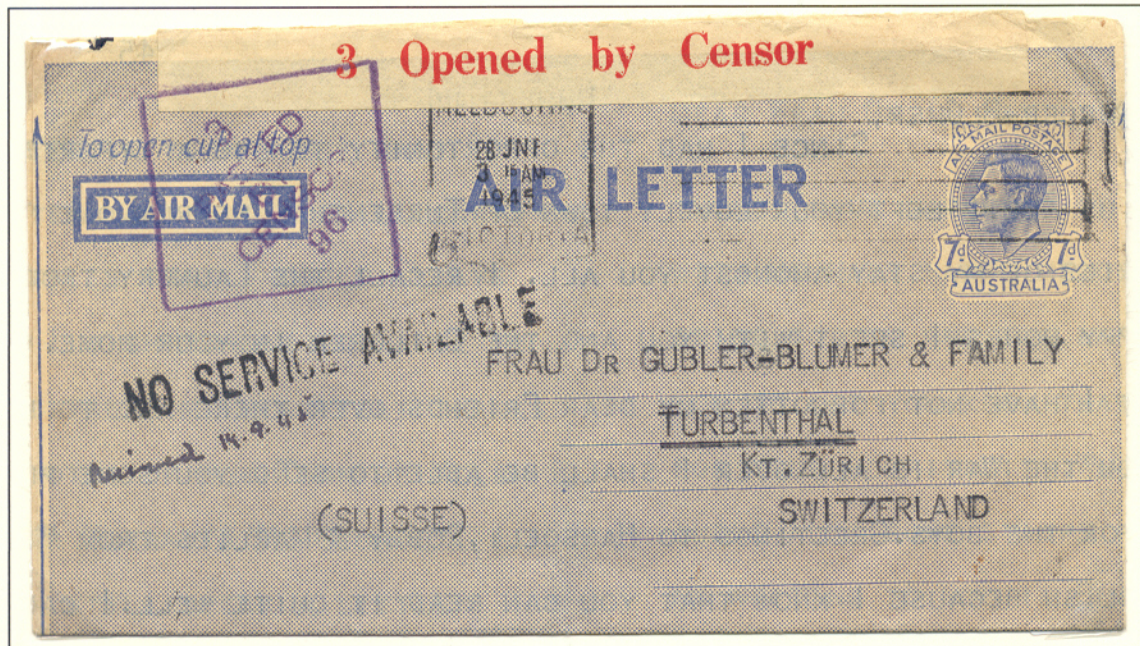
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CENSORED AIR LETTERS



Censored air letter sent from Sydney April 17, 1945 → **Athens, Greece**.
Censor 2 = Sydney



Censored air letter sent from Melbourne June 28, 1945 → **Zürich, Switzerland**.
Black one-liner: **NO SERVICE AVAILABLE** and handwritten *received 14.9.45*.
Censor 3 = Melbourne



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Air letter sent from Melbourne August 1945 → **Sussex, England**.



First flight air letter sent from Sydney June 1, 1945 → **London, England**.

First flight Lancastrian mail plane service / AUSTRALIA - ENGLAND/ operated by Qantas Empire Airways and British Overseas Airways Corporation. Signed by the two commanders K.G. Jackson and O.F.Y. Thomas. Cachet printed in red.



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SPECIMEN printed in red open capitals for UPU, **Length = 105 mm.**



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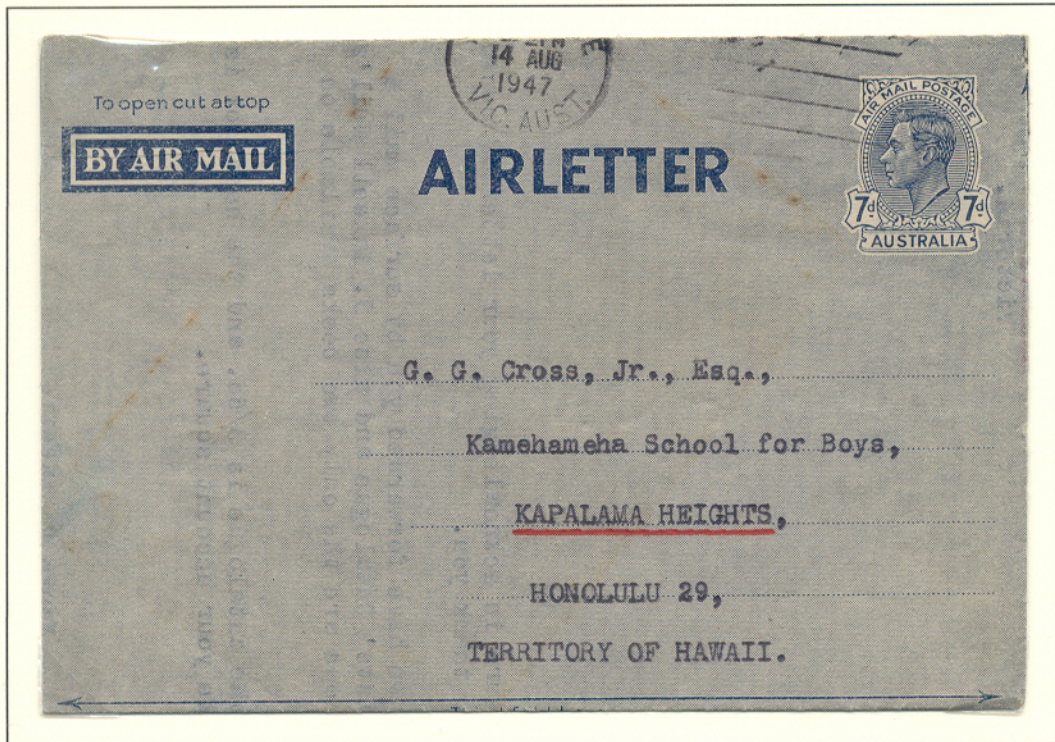
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DESTINATIONS



Airletter sent from Melbourne August 14, 1947 to Honolulu, **Territory of Hawaii**.
On August 21, 1959 Hawaii became an American State.



Registered airletter sent from Castlereagh Street – Sydney February 22, 1949 to **Mauren, Liechtenstein**.
Provisional registration label with violet overprint: **Castlereagh St.**

Additional registration fee: March 1, 1901 – June 30, 1949: 3d.



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FIRST FLIGHTS



The first Qantas "Kangaroo" flight Australia – England was the Lancaster, G-AGMC. Re-opening of Australia-England Empire Air Route via Singapore by Qantas and BOAC. Airletter sent from Sydney April 9, 1946 → **Monmouthshire, England**. Cachet printed in red.



Australian National Airways under charter to British Commonwealth Pacific Airlines operated DC4, "Warana", VH-ANC, on trans Pacific service Sydney-Fiji-Canton Island-Honolulu-San Francisco – Vancouver.

First flight airletter sent from Sydney September 5, 1946 to **Vancouver, Canada** September 18, 1946.

Cachet printed in violet. **Only 100 airletters overprinted in blue.**



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PRISONER OF WAR AIRLETTERS



POW airletter sent from Camp Myrtieford March 11, 1946 → **Ferrara, Italy** March 28, 1946.

Violet cachet: **APPROVED FOR TRANSMISSION BY CAMP COMMANDANT / No.5 P W Camp Myrtieford**

This camp was for Italian officers.



POW airletter sent from Liverpool Camp June 27, 1946 → **Filadelfia, Italy** July 8, 1946.

Line postmark: **PRISONER OF WAR MAIL ONLY**

Cachet: **APPROVED FOR TRANSMISSION / BY CAMP COMMANDANT. /L/NO. 9**

This camp was in the beginning for Germans internees only, later for all nationalities.