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## COLOMBIA / SCADTA, 1922.

I have examined the small fragment of an envelope bearing one postage stamp of Colombia and one Air Mail postage stamp issued by the Sociedad Colombo-Alemana de Transportes Aereos on May 5th of 1922, "**Hydroplane**" 10 centavos yellow, handstamp surcharged "**30 cent.**" in violet, Scott Catalogue #C37; Sanabria #76; Gebauer #61, used, cancelled and tied to the fragment by the double circle "**SERVICIO POSTAL AEREO / BOGOTA / SCADTA**" also in violet, a colour reproduction of which is below, in true size, and I am of the opinion that:

The fragment and air mail stamp are **genuine in all respects**. The 3 centavos stamp of Colombia, which paid regular postage, is damaged. The air mail stamp of SCADTA is in perfect condition, entirely free from faults or repairs at the time of examination. The revaluing handstamp was applied at Bogota's SCADTA office. It was brought about by a second shortage of 30 centavos stamps which occurred in early May, 1922. The small handstamped dater on the fragment, "**MAY - 5 1922**", is the first day of issue of this provisional stamp. The basic stamp had been withdrawn from circulation, but was pressed back into service on this occasion. The number of stamps thus surcharged is not known. A scarce stamp and fragment. I have signed it.

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