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Trans-Atlantic Air mail

Pan American highest recorded rate from Congo to USA 1942



- Route:** Usumbura 24 August 1942, Leopoldville 28 August, Miami transit 13 September 1942. Arrive Edgewater NJ 14 September.
- Rate:** Cover and contents weighed 410 grams. Registration 3.50 Fr. Surface fee 1st 20g 3.50 Fr., next 20 x 20g at 2 Fr. = 40 Fr. Air fee 82 x 15.50 Fr. = 1271 Fr. Total paid 1318 Fr. correct as calculated. Stamps on back of cover 1 x 10 Fr., 2 x 20 Fr. Missing on front 1 x 20Fr.
- Censor:** Congo Leopoldville censor. Trinidad censor 8033.
- Features:** The highest recorded paid commercial cover for this route in wartime. It is possible that the cover was carried on a genuine Pan American Route 6 flight from Leopoldville as far as Trinidad where mail was offloaded for censor examination. Flight 6019 was delayed by maintenance and left New York on 30th August, arriving in Leopoldville on or around 5th September. Return to Trinidad by 10th September would fit with the Miami transit of 13th September.