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APS Affiliates Top the 200 Mark with Internet Philatelic Dealers Association

The **Internet Philatelic Dealers Association** (IPDA) has been welcomed as an American Philatelic Society Affiliate Nos. 260 by the APS Board of Directors, bringing the number of APS affiliates that are currently active to more than 200.

Organized in 2002, Internet Philatelic Dealers Association has 57 members, 19 of whom are APS members. About half of these are based in the United States, but because the organization exists on the Internet, the rest of the members hail from, all over the world — Australia, England, Scotland, Canada, India, New Zealand, Indonesia, Portugal, Philippines and Belgium.

The Association was founded to allow stamp collectors to trade and interact with other collectors and dealers with the confidence that will make the Internet a safer place to interact with each other. The Association was incorporated in Florida on February 28, 2007, as IPDA, Inc.

According to the IPDA website, “Members who trade under the IPDA banner are fully committed to promoting philately on the Internet, as a bonus we promote our individual members businesses. Our eventual goal is to make the Internet a safer and more secure place for philatelists to trade. Not only to buy material, but also for collectors and dealers to sell to each other with confidence.”

IPDA dues are \$20 per year. According to the Association’s application for membership, it has a monthly IPDA Newsletter, available on the Internet only. Complete details of membership, including the Association’s Constitution and Code of Ethics, are available at the Association’s website at www.ipdaonline.org

The American Philatelic Society is delighted to welcome the Internet Philatelic Dealers Association to its family of affiliates. To learn more about the APS, visit www.stamps.org

