

(3) Sheikh Sultan bin Zayed¹

53. In addition to a comparison of the general format and pictorial effect, a comparison was made of the seal impression attributed to Sheikh Sultan bin Zayed on Suspect Document III.71, which is dated Rajab 1345 A.H. (January 1927 A.D.). The suspect impression was compared to impressions appearing on known exemplars for Sheikh Sultan dating from 1331 A.H. to 1344 A.H. (corresponding to approximately 1912/1913 A.D. to 1926 A.D.).

54. The suspect impression is roughly rectangular in shape with an arched effect. Within the borders of the impression the name *Sultan / bin / Zayed* can be read, oriented in three tiers. The name is flanked on either side by a decorative leafed motif, which also appears beneath the name *Sultan*. The suspect impression is reproduced in *Illustration Sultan 1*, in the column "Suspect".

55. In the known exemplars examined for Sheikh Sultan we found two types of seal impressions. Examples of these known impressions are reproduced in *Illustration Sultan 1*, in the column "Known".

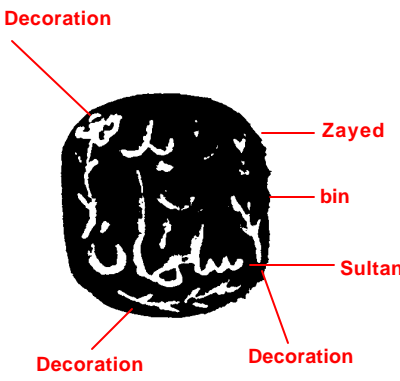
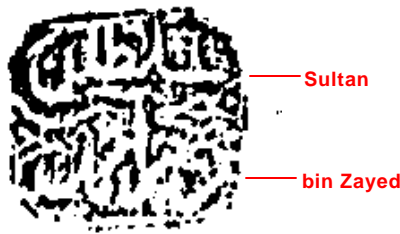
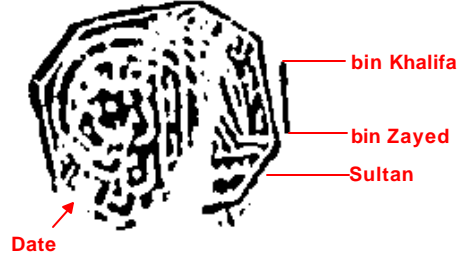
56. The first type of impression was found on exemplars dated in 1331 A.H. (approximately 1912/1913 A.D.). It is square-shaped with the four corners cut to form an octagon. The name *Sultan / bin Zayed* can be read within its borders, oriented in two tiers.

57. The second impression was found on exemplars dating from Rabia 1332 A.H. to Ramadhan 1344 A.H. (corresponding to January/March 1914 A.D. to March 1926 A.D.). This impression is also octagonal in shape, with a single-ridged border. Within its borders the name *Sultan / bin Zayed / bin Khalifa* can be read, oriented in three tiers. This name is engraved in a stylised ornamentation evocative of the Ottoman *tugrah* emblem. The impression contains a series of four numerals, representing the date in which the seal was engraved.

58. Neither of the known stamp impressions was found to bear any resemblance in terms of readable content and morphology to the impression appearing in suspect document III.71.

¹ For further details, see "Comparison Examination: Sheikh Sultan bin Zayed", Appendix 2, Volume 2, Section G.3.

SULTAN 1

SUSPECT	KNOWN
<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Seal impression from <i>Suspect Document III.71</i>: Letter purportedly from Sultan Bin Zayed to Issa Bin Ali, dated Rajab 1345 A.H. (corresponding to approximately January 1927 A.D.) (App. 4, Vol. 1, Tab 52)</p>	<p>Type 1</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Seal impression from Known 1: Letter from Sultan bin Zayed to Sheikh Isa bin Ali Al-Khalifa, dated 1331 A.H. (corresponding to 1912/1913 A.D.) (App. 4, Vol. 2, Tab 44)</p> <p>Type 2</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Seal impression taken from Known 2: Letter from Sultan bin Zayed to Sheikh Isa bin Ali Al-Khalifa, dated 1335 A.H. (corresponding to October 1917 A.D.) (App. 4, Vol. 2, Tab 45)</p> <p>NOTE: This last seal impression is an example of the seal impression that appears on all of the known exemplars examined dating from 1335 to 1344 A.H. (corresponding to 1917 to 1926 A.D.)</p>