

# Lote 1496

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CONGO. 10 Francs (Ae. 123,21g/60mm). 2007. Moneda conmemorativa de la Historia de China. Chin Shihuang. Primer Emperador de China. Incluye funda y certificado de autenticidad. Muy escasa. 1000 ejemplares acuñados.





Commemorative Coins of The First Emperor of China  
—Emperor Chin Shihuang  
Issued by Democratic Republic of Congo



Emperor Chin Shihuang (259-210 BC) had Ying as his surname and Zheng as his given name. He had a great and deep influence upon China's 2,000-year-old feudal society.

By 246 BC, he named to the throne of the Qin at age of 13, and took the helms of the states eight years later. Since then, he abolished the enfeoffment system and adopted the prefecture and county system. He standardized legal codes, written language, currencies and measures. To protect against harassment by the Han aristocrats, he ordered the Great Wall be built. All these measures played an active role in eliminating the cause of the state of separation and division and strengthening the unification of the whole country as well as promotion the development of economy and culture.

By 221 BC, after 10 year's war, he had annexed the six rival principalities of Qi, Chu, Yan, Han, Zhao and Wei, and established the first centralization multiracial empire in China's history. Ying Zheng styled himself emperor and named himself "Shi-huang Di", the first emperor in China.



**Obverse Design:**

National emblem, Country name, Denomination

**Reverse Design:**

Imaginary portrait of Emperor Chin Shihuang.

**Remark:** the void of the facial design of Emperor Chin Shihuang

The indistinct pattern of Emperor Chin Shihuang's face demonstrates the special inventive mind of the designer of this coin. The designer considered Qin Dynasty as a "non-face era" due to its long history over 2,000 years ago.

Even in Qin era, it is impossible to reveal Emperor Chin Shihuang's true face behind the pearl blinds of the crown to common people, because of his supreme position. The image of Emperor Chin Shihuang is not a common secular figure, but a historical outline leaving to the legend. That's why the designer left blank of the face side of Emperor Chin Shihuang on this coin.

**Specification:**

Denomination: 10 Francs

Materials: Brass

Diameter: 60mm

Weight: 121g

Mintage: 1000 pieces

Issue Year: 2008

