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1971 ELIZABETH II MINT ERROR - STRUCK ON SILVER PLANCHET PROOFLIKE DOLLAR PCGS PL64



Elizabeth II is Queen of the United Kingdom and 15 other Commonwealth realms. Elizabeth is the longest-lived and longest-reigning British monarch, the longest-serving female head of state in world history, the world's oldest living monarch, longest-reigning current monarch, and oldest and longest-serving current head of state. Elizabeth has occasionally faced republican sentiments and press criticism of the royal family, in particular after the breakdown of her children's marriages, her annus horribilis in 1992, and the death in 1997 of her former daughter-in-law Diana, Princess of Wales.

Royal Canadian mint, cf. KM79 (standard issue in nickel), DC-Unl. British Columbia issue. An Exceedingly rare strike on a silver planchet weighing 17gm. This is the sole representative that we have encountered, though we have heard of 2 other examples, neither of which we have seen nor verified in person. Although the offering has been designated as a Mint Error by PCGS, this is perhaps unlikely, as smaller silver planchets of this weight were not in use at the time at the Royal Canadian Mint, and the 32mm size is the same as the specification for the standard nickel issue. We feel this coin may have been intended as a special presentation piece since its perfectly positioned on the planchet. Lightly handled and reflective, with an outstanding care in preservation that places the offering at the cusp of gem status.

