

## **ENRIQUE SPITZ**

The earliest records show Enrique Spitz working in 1888 as a merchant with his office located at Escolta 8, Manila, supported by F Rauch and B v Slernefels. The company continued to operate from the same location up to 1903. In addition, Enrique was a stamp collector and dealer with listings in the Philatelistisches Adressbuch in 1896 and the International Philatelic Collectors Directory in 1898. He is linked, along with fellow philatelist Julio Madurga, to the production of the Zamboanga Provisional stamps issued in 1898. It is understood that the stamps were overprinted on the night of 12 August 1898, the day before the surrender of Manila to the Americans, and the stamps subsequently sent to Zamboanga where they were reportedly placed in use.

From 1901 to 1916, Enrique Spitz was agent for the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany. In 1904, the company Schmidt & Ziegler became Successors to Enrique Spitz, located at Escolta 42, Manila and operating as General Import and Export Merchants. The parent company was managed by C Moritz Schmidt and Karl Ziegler, with head office located in Remscheid, Germany, where they both resided. Between 1904 and 1908, the Manila operations was managed by Roberto Greuling and Karl Ziegler Jr. In 1908 the company moves premises to Calle David 64, Manila and again to Calle David 244 in 1917.

No further records have been found after 1917. It is more than likely the operations ceased as part of the outbreak of World War I where the company was seized under the Trading with the Enemy Act of 1917. The Act gave the President the power to control trade with enemies during wartime. The Act was passed on 6 October 1917, in response to the US declaration of war on Germany on 6 April 1917. The Act established the Office of Alien Property Custodian which was given the power to seize, manage and sell property (including businesses) owned by US enemies.

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### **KEY DATES AND TIMELINES**

1888-1889 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), F Rauh (clerk), and B v Sternenfels (clerk).

1890 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), F Rauh (signs per procuration), B v Sternenfels, and E Kromer.

1892 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), F Rauh (signs per procuration), E Kromer, and Oscar Schutze.

1894 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), F Rauh (clerk, signs per procuration), E Herrmann (clerk), E Kromer (clerk), Oscar Schutze (clerk), and Roberto Greuling (clerk).

1898 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), Roberto Greuling (assistant, signs per procuration), L Giraudier (assistant), Oscar Schutze, P Schmidt (clerk), F Lohmann (clerk), P E Heermann (clerk), and F Rodriguez (clerk).

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1898 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), Roberto Greuling (assistant, signs per procuration), L Giraudier (assistant), Oscar Schutze (clerk), P Schmidt (clerk), F Lohmann (clerk), P E Heermann (clerk), and F Rodriguez (clerk).

1900 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), Roberto Greuling (signs per procuration), Oscar Schutze, W Ihm, F Luebben, F Braun, F Rodriguez, E Deblois, and F Robledo.

1901 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), Roberto Greuling (signs per procuration), Oscar Schutze, W Ihm, F Harloff, Karl Ziegler, F Rodriguez, E Deblois, and F Merchan. Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.

1902 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), Roberto Greuling (assistant, signs per procuration), Oscar Schutze, W Ihm, F Harloff, Karl Zierler (assistant), F Rodriguez, F Deblois (assistant), A Baumann (assistant), F Braun (assistant), C Schwinges (assistant), A Rocha (clerk), J Gonzalez (clerk), and F Merchan (clerk). Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.

1903 - Enrique Spitz, Merchant, located at Escolta 8, Manila, with the following staff: Enrique Spitz (merchant), Roberto Greuling (signs per procuration), Karl Ziegler, C Schwinges, A Baumann, T T Heilbrun, K Brehm, G Natividad, A Rocha, E Deblois. Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.

1904-1905 - Schmidt & Ziegler, Sucessors to Enrique Spitz, General Import and Export Merchants, located at Escolta 42, Manila. Head Office located in Remscheid, Germany, with Agencies located in London, Madrid, Barcelona, Sevilla, Lisbon, Oporto, Loanda, Havana, and Mexico. The following staff were present: C Moritz Schmidt (Remscheid), Karl Ziegler (Remscheid), Mrs H Arnold Schmidt (Remscheid), Carl Gottlieb Schmidt (Remscheid), Rudolph Schmidt (Remscheid), Roberto Greuling (manager, signs per procuration), Karl Ziegler Jr (manager, signs per procuration), C Schwinges (assistant), J P Heilbronn (assistant), C C Brehm (assistant), W Tuerck, E Deblois (assistant), G Natividad (assistant), and F Ventura (assistant). Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.

1906 - Schmidt & Ziegler, Sucessors to Enrique Spitz, General Import and Export Merchants, located at Escolta 42, Manila, with the following staff: C Moritz Schmidt (Remscheid), Karl Ziegler (Remscheid), Mrs H Arnold Schmidt (Remscheid), Carl Gottlieb Schmidt (Remscheid), Rudolph Schmidt (Remscheid), Roberto Greuling (manager, signs per procuration), Karl Ziegler Jr (manager, signs per procuration), J P Heilbronn (assistant), C C Brehm (assistant), W Tuerck, E Schmidt, G Natividad (assistant), and F Ventura (assistant). Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.

1908 - Schmidt & Ziegler, Sucessors to Enrique Spitz, General Import and Export Merchants, located at Calle David 64, Manila, with the following staff: Karl Ziegler (Remscheid), Mrs H Arnold Schmidt (Remscheid), Carl Gottlieb Schmidt (Remscheid), Rudolph Schmidt (Remscheid), Ewald Schmidt (Remscheid), Roberto Greuling (manager), Karl Ziegler Jr (manager), J P Heilbronn, Ed Schmidt, K Kuhler, G Natividad, and Ponciano Medel. Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.



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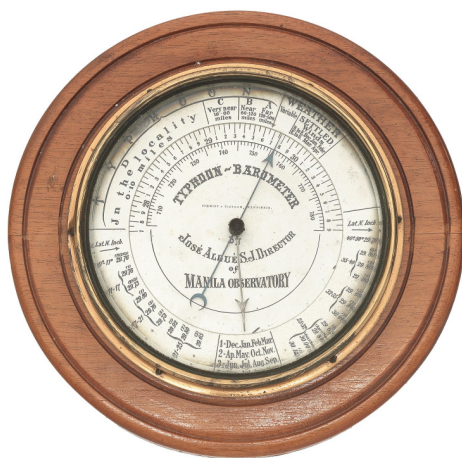
1910 - Schmidt & Ziegler, Sucessors to Enrique Spitz, General Import and Export Merchants, located at Calle David 64, Manila, with the following staff: Karl Ziegler (Remscheid), Carl Gottlieb Schmidt (Remscheid), Rudolph Schmidt (Remscheid), Ewald Schmidt (Remscheid), Karl Ziegler Jr (manager), Robert Greuling (manager), Ed Schmidt (manager), K Kuhler, Groswin Dresback, S Allen Presby, Orestes Hermosa, Elias H Gomba, and Ponciano Medel. Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.

1912 - Schmidt & Ziegler, Sucessors to Enrique Spitz, General Import and Export Merchants, located at Calle David 64, Manila, with the following staff: Karl Ziegler (Remscheid), Carl Gottlieb Schmidt (Remscheid), Rudolph Schmidt (Remscheid), Ewald Schmidt (Remscheid), Karl Ziegler Jr (manager), Groswin Dresback, S Allen Presby, Paul Hunekuhl, Orestes Hermosa, Elias H Gomba, Pable Gomba and Ponciano Medel. Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.

1916 - Schmidt & Ziegler, Sucessors to Enrique Spitz, General Import and Export Merchants, located at Calle David 64, Manila, with the following staff: Karl Ziegler (Remscheid), Carl Gottlieb Schmidt (Remscheid), Rudolph Schmidt (Remscheid), Karl Ziegler Jr (manager), Groswin Dresback (sings per procuration), S Allen Presby, Orestes Hermosa, A Baesler, Pable Gomba, H Kyriess, and Ponciano Medel. Agents of the Mannheim Insurance Company, Mannheim, Germany.

1917 - Schmidt & Ziegler, Sucessors to Enrique Spitz, General Import and Export Merchants (paper dealers and machinery merchants), located at Calle David 244, Manila, with the following staff: Karl Ziegler Jr (Germany), Groswin Dresbach (signs per procuration), August Bressler (Provincial Representative), H Kyris (assistant), Jose Calero (assistant), O Hermosura (assistant), Pable Gomba, and Ponciano Medel.

1920 - No further records found.



Aneroid barocyclometer (typhoon barometer) produced by Schmidt & Ziegler in Remscheid in the early 20th century. Designed by Jose Maria Algue, director of the Manila Observatory.



Combined cyclonometer and typhoon-barometer produced by Schmidt & Ziegler in Remscheid around 1915. Designed by Jose Maria Algue, director of the Manila Observatory.

**ENRIQUE SPITZ**

**BUSINESS HANDSTAMP**

**STRAIGHT LINE HANDSTAMP**

**ENRIQUE SPITZ**

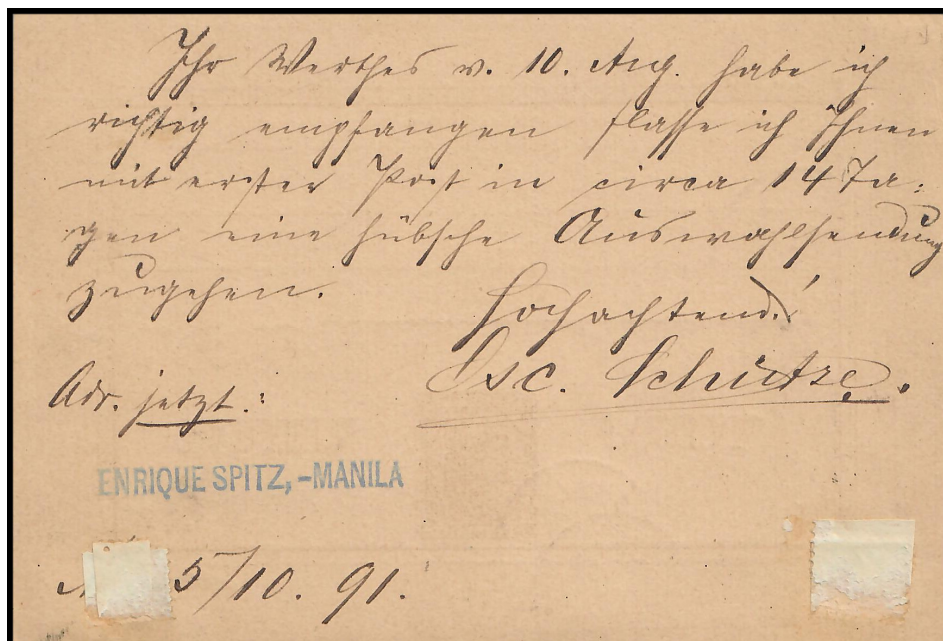


Recibos y Cuentas  
(1879)  
Warren W-253



King Alfonso XII  
(1880)  
Scott #83



**ENRIQUE SPITZ****BUSINESS HANDSTAMP****STRAIGHT LINE HANDSTAMP****ENRIQUE SPITZ, -MANILA**

5 October 1891 - Postal Card from Manila to Hanau, Germany

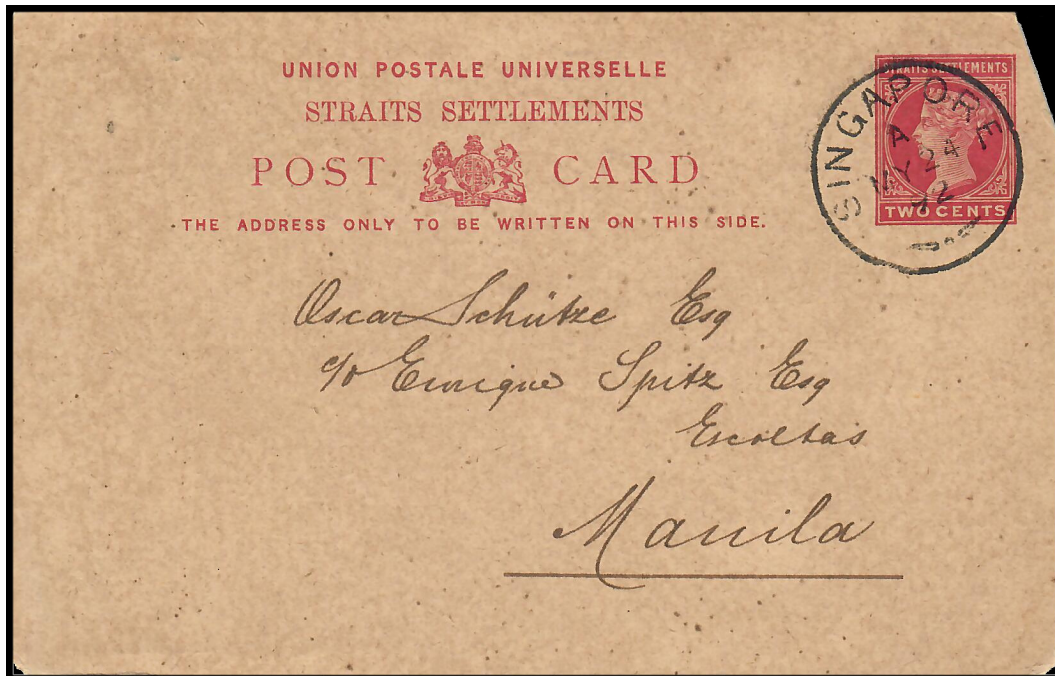
Upated King Alfonso XII card by 2c (overpaid by 1c as the 1c stamps were not issued until 1892)

Correos - Manila Departure Circular Date Stamps

Enrique Spitz Handstamp applied on bottom left corner on card front and reverse

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### FOREIGN INBOUND POSTAL CARD FROM STRAITS SETTLEMENTS



May 1892 - Postal Card from Straits Settlement to Manila

Address to Oscar Schutze, c/o Enrique Spits, Escolta, Manila

Singapore (24 May 1892) Circular Date Transit cancellation

Reverse Side Blank

*Records show Oscar Schutze working as a clerk for Enrique Spitz in 1892*



**ENRIQUE SPITZ**

**RETURN ADDRESS**

***ENRIQUE SPITZ — MANILA.***

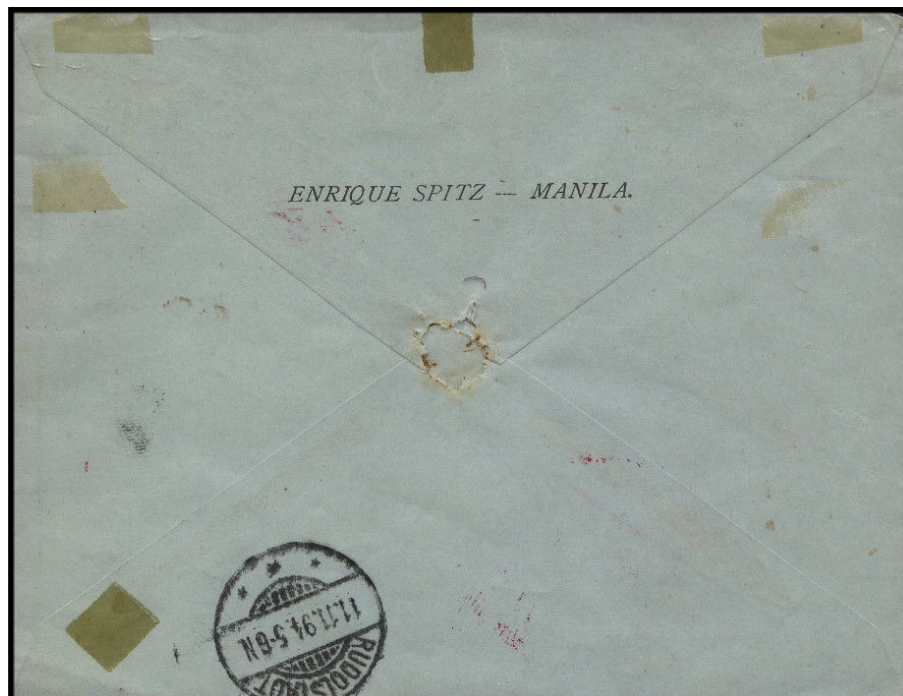


15 June 1892 - Cover from Manila to Rosswein, Sachsen (Saxony), Germany  
8c Stamp paying single weight rate and tied with Correos - Manila Circular Date Stamps  
Rosswein (18 July 1892) Receiving Circular Date Backstamp  
Enrique Spitz printed return address on reverse side of cover

**ENRIQUE SPITZ**

**RETURN ADDRESS**

***ENRIQUE SPITZ — MANILA.***



October 1894 - Registered Cover from Manila to Rudolstadt, Germany

16c paying 8c single weight rate and 8c Registration Fee tied by Correos - Manila (?? October 1892) CDS

Rudolstadt (11 November 1894) Receiving Circular Date Backstamp

Enrique Spitz printed return address on reverse side of cover

*Ebay - December 2014*



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### BUSINESS HANDSTAMP

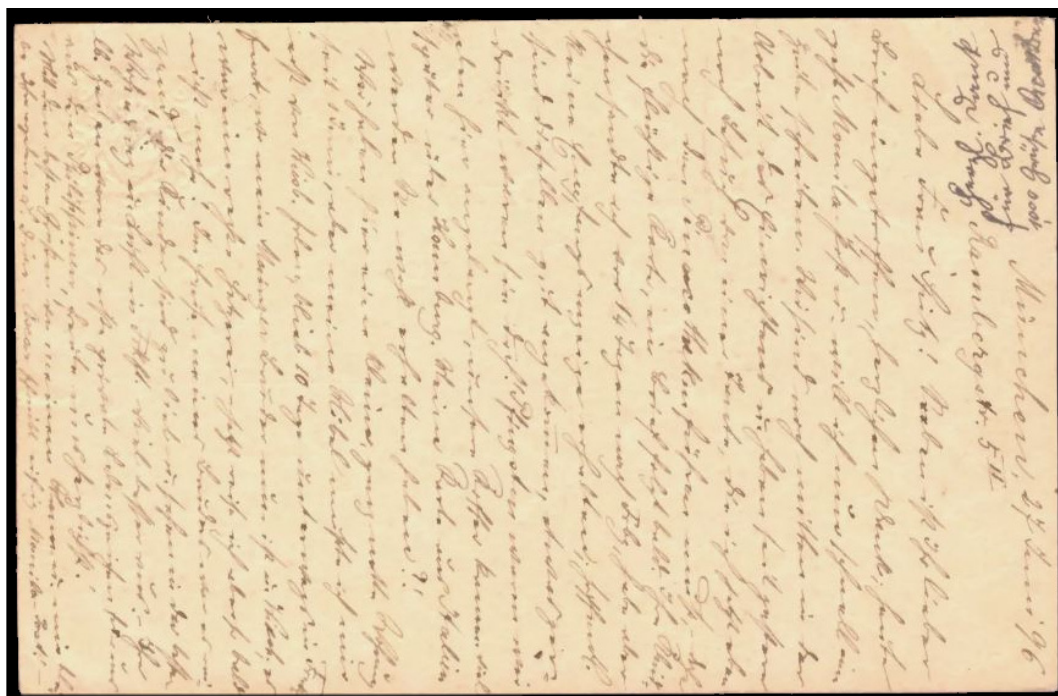
### DOUBLE OUTER AND SINGLE INNER LINED CIRCULAR HANDSTAMP



29 November 1894 - Printed Matter Cover from Manila to Freiburg, Germany  
Two 5-milisimas 1894 stamps Paying 10-milisimas (1-centavo) Printed Matter rate  
Stamps tied with "Correos - Manila" Circular Date Stamp  
"Enrique Spitz - Manila" circular Business Handstamp on Reverse

## ENRIQUE SPITZ

## US OCCUPATION

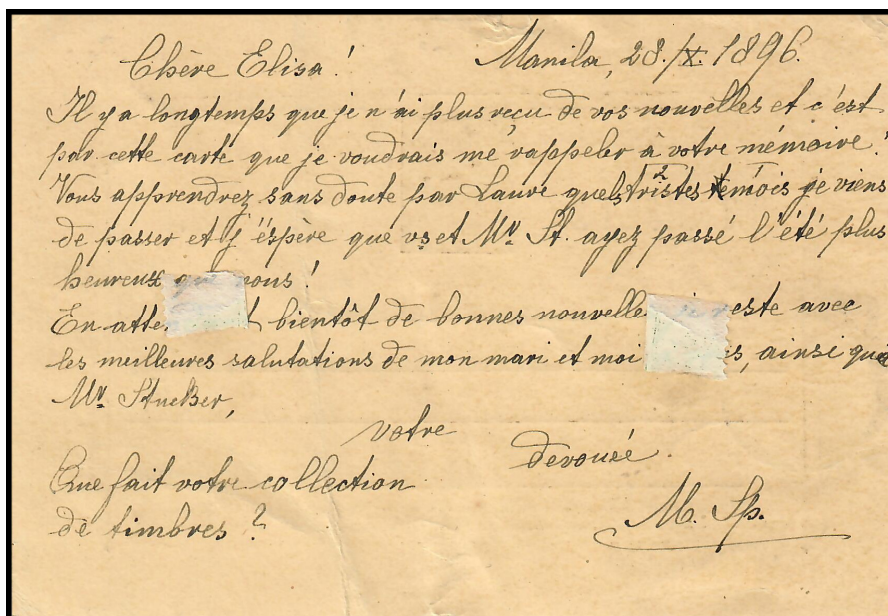
FOREIGN INBOUND POSTAL CARD FROM GEERMANY

26 June 1895 - Postal Card from Muenchen (Munich), Germany

Addressed to Mrs Spitz (A La Senora de Don Enrique Spitz)



## BUSINESS HANDSTAMP



Enrique Spitz Handstamp applied on bottom left corner on card front

**ENRIQUE SPITZ****BUSINESS HANDSTAMP****STRAIGHT LINE HANDSTAMP****ENRIQUE SPITZ****MANILA CIRCULATING COVER****JULY 5, 1898 – MANILA CIRCULATING**

Cover with 17 of the 20 Stamp Issues of 1898 (excluding 4m, 2c and 4c values)

Cancelled with 'Correos - Manila' Circular Date Stamps (Type II)

Addressed to Zahlmeister (Purser) Gelbricht of the SMS Kaiserin Augusta,  
c/o Dr Enrique Spitz, Escolta 8, Manila

Enrique Spitz (Prominent Philatelist of the time) Handstamp on Reverse

*SMS Kaiser Augusta was a protected cruiser built for the German Imperial Navy in the early 1890s. Named for Empress Augusta who died in January 1890, the ship was completed in November 1892. It served abroad between 1897 and 1902, primarily in the East Asia Squadron. Records show the ship was conducting manoeuvres around Manila Bay between June 12 and August 12, 1898 and again between August 21 and September 2, 1898.*

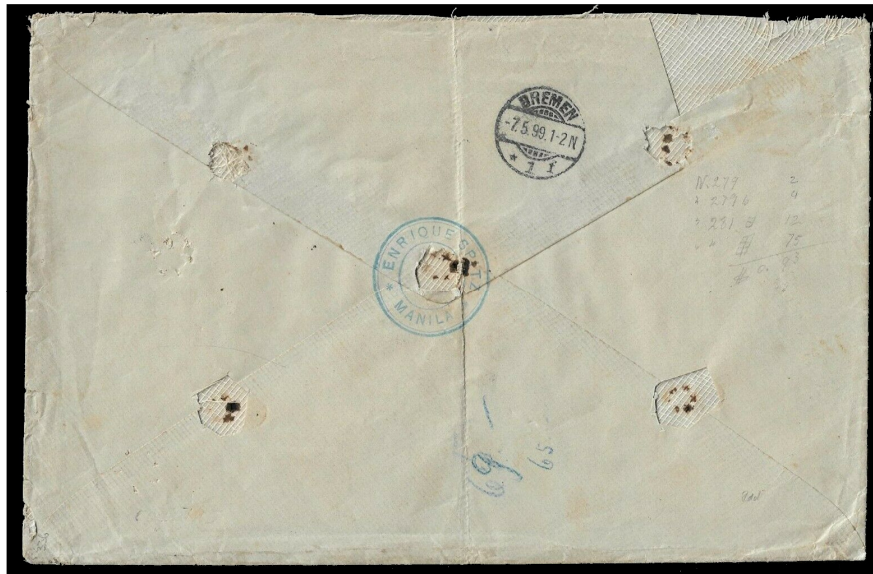


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**US OCCUPATION**

**BUSINESS HANDSTAMP**

**DOUBLE OUTER AND SINGLE INNER LINED CIRCULAR HANDSTAMP**



7 April 1899 - Registered Cover from Manila to Bremen, Germany

Military Station No. 1 / San Francisco Registration CDS and corresponding Boxed Registration handstamp

Bremen (7 May 1899) Receiving Circular Date Backstamp

Blue-Green Enrique Spitz handstamp on reverse side of cover

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**US OCCUPATION**

**RETURN ADDRESS**

***ENRIQUE SPITZ — MANILA.***



6 July 1903 - Cover from Manila to Remscheid, Germany

5c Stamp paying single weight rate and tied with Manila Duplex Cancellation

Remscheid (8 August 1903) Receiving Circular Date Backstamp

Enrique Spitz printed return address on reverse side of cover

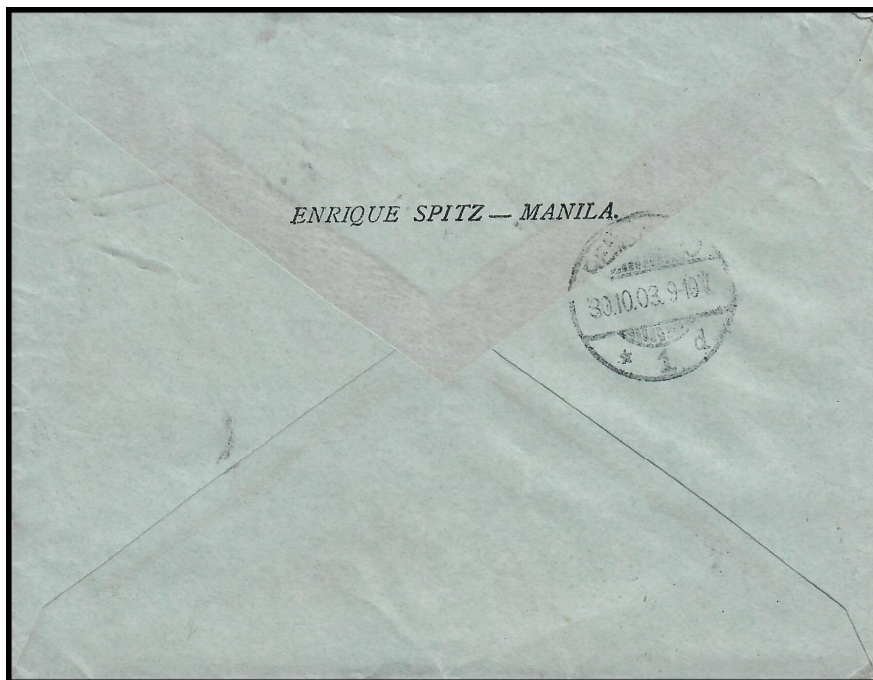


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***ENRIQUE SPITZ — MANILA.***



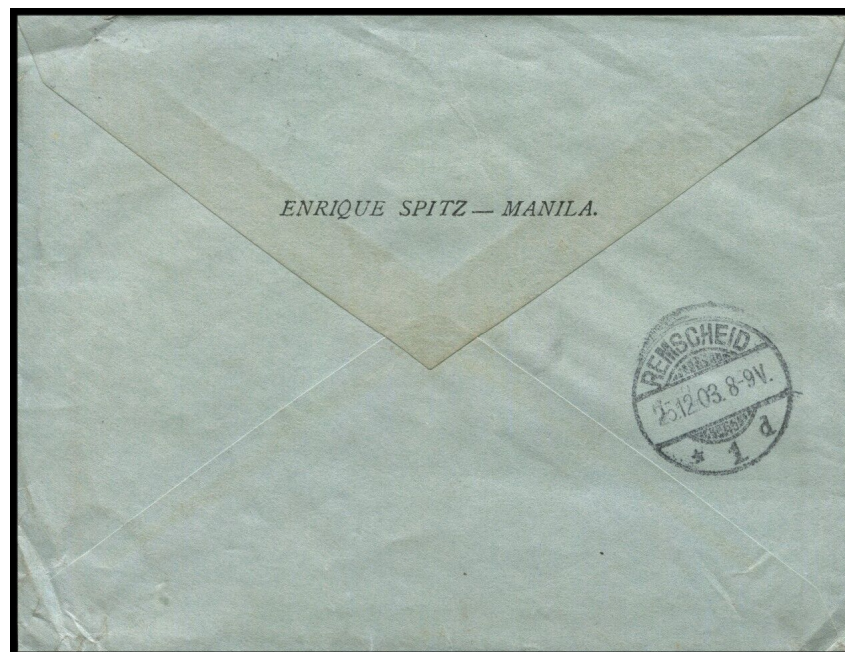
28 September 1903 - Cover from Manila to Remscheid, Germany  
5c Stamp paying single weight rate and tied with Manila Duplex Cancellation  
Remscheid (30 October 1903) Receiving Circular Date Backstamp  
Enrique Spitz printed return address on reverse side of cover

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**US OCCUPATION**

**RETURN ADDRESS**

***ENRIQUE SPITZ — MANILA.***



22 September 1903 - Cover from Manila to Remscheid, Germany

5c Stamp paying single weight rate and tied with Manila Duplex Cancellation

Remscheid (25 December 1903) Receiving Circular Date Backstamp

Enrique Spitz printed return address on reverse side of cover