



Unsealed cover sent as circular from Manila May 12, 1897 to Auckland, New Zealand. Uncommon destination, **three covers recorded to New Zealand** from the Spanish period. Backstamped in Singapore on May 17, 1897.

Block of four of 5 Miliesimas de Peso impresos stamps issued in 1896 to cover the single-weight overseas circular rate (20 Miliesimas equivalent to 2 Centavos de Peso).

New Zealand was Member of the UPU from October 1, 1891 as a British Colony of Australasia, therefore the weight for a single-weight overseas circular, weighing a maximum of 50 grams, was 2 Centavos de Peso effective from January 1, 1886 to December 31, 1897.