

1897, Manila to Auckland, New Zealand
 King Alfonso XIII, 1890s Mail to UPU ca. 1897, Manila to Bad Königsbrunn, German Empire (retour)



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

Block of four of 5 Milsimas de Peso impresos stamps issued in 1896 to cover the single-weight overseas circular rate (20 Milsimas 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.



Parcel front, shipped in Manila via Hong-Kong to Bad Königsbrunn, German Empire. The parcel was returned to Manila. It can be assumed that it is dated 1897. The item is franked with a stamp at 8 Centavos de Peso and four at 2 Centavos de Peso, issued in 1896. The stamps were cancelled with registration marks "CERTIFICADO". Also, an "R" was added to the parcel front in Manila.

The shipment was sent as samples "Muestras [de Medicamentos]", according to the rules of the UPU each 50g weight was 2 Centavos de Peso at this rate. Also the parcel was registered, the fee was 8 Centavos de Peso.