

## REGISTRY RETURN RECEIPT

The Director General issued Instruction No. 33 on March 6, 1943, which in turn was followed with Circular No. 12 issued by Juan Ruiz, Director of Communications, detailing the "Commencement of the Issuance of Registry Return Receipts", with effective date of March 10, 1943. A summary of these Instructions was provided in The Tribune on March 11, as follows:

*Postal Matters authorized for certificates to delivery will be limited to one mail dispatched and received throughout the Philippines only, excluding registered postal matter addressed to the military. Senders of registered mail authorized to apply for "certificated of delivery" will write, print or stamp the wording "Return Receipt" on the cover of the postal matter to be posted. A fee of five centavos will be required for each certificate of delivery application, in addition to the ordinary postal and registration fee.*

The Registry Receipts used during the Japanese Occupation were pre-war Penalty Post Cards of salmon stock from "Form No. 1548", which was printed on the upper right-hand corner on the reverse side of the card. The supply of such cards then on hand in Manila and in provincial post offices included examples from several different printings, the numbers which appear on the bottom left-hand corners on both sides of the card. The following Control Numbers are known: 9-665, 50899-2, 50899-11, 61386-1, 61386-2, 61386-3, 61386-4, 61386-5 and 61386-6.

<b>BUREAU OF POSTS</b>		Postmark of delivery office
<b>PHILIPPINES</b>		
OFFICIAL BUSINESS		and date of delivery
Penalty for private use to avoid payment of postage, P300 fine or six months' imprisonment, or both		
RETURN TO—		
Name of sender .....		
Street and number or P. O. Box .....		
Post Office at .....		
Province of .....		
Sender of registered article may use this space for his private filing guide		File, case or account number
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<b>REGISTRY RETURN RECEIPT</b>		FORM No. 1548
RECEIVED from the postmaster at .....		
Registered $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{letter} \\ \text{parcel} \end{array} \right\}$ No. .... posted at ....., Philippines		
Addressed to ..... (Name of addressee)		
Date ..... 194..... (Date of delivery)		
..... (Signature or name of addressee)		
..... (Signature of addressee's agent)		
A registered article must not be delivered to anyone but the addressee, or upon the addressee's written order, in which case the authorized agent must write the addressee's name on the proper space and then affix legibly his own signature below it.		
When this card has been properly accomplished, it must be postmarked clearly to show the actual date of delivery and mailed immediately to the sender's address shown at the other side hereof, without postage stamp or envelope.		
The sender of a registered article addressed to a foreign country for which a return receipt is desired shall, at the time of posting, be required to pay the fee prescribed for such receipt.		
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