

Due to the September 28, 1868 Revolution in Spain, Queen Isabella II was deposed and a Republic was declared. All stamps of Spain and her colonies, including the Philippines, were handstamped: "HABILITADO POR LA NACION" (Issued for the Nation), in three lines, in black. Twenty-seven dies were sent to Manila, all of which were of cast metal made by Casa de la Moneda of Madrid. The handstamps were applied freely on the stamps without any specific position, thus, several types can be found, such as, vertical, horizontal, diagonal, inverted, etc...

1868 "HABILITADO POR LA NACION" HANDSTAMPED ISSUE

December 1868

On 1864 Queen Isabella II Issue.



3 1/8 centimos
Buff.



6 2/8 centimos
Green.



12 4/8 centimos
Blue.



25 centimos
Red.



1869, August 28 - Manila-Biñan, Laguna, franked with 2 3/8 - centimos stamp for single interior letter rate under 1/2-oz.