10 c. de peso claret Diagonal half used as 5 c. to pay postage due



Cover probably placed in the mails in Habana addressed to Cienfuegos without a stamp. The Habana post office applied the large postage due "T" ("TASA") and numeral "5" indicating the amount due from the recipient. A bisected 10c. claret stamp was applied upon collection of the postage due and was cancelled with a light black triangular mute cancel. A matching light black "T" was also applied at the same time and a manuscript "5 cents" was added to clarify the rate paid by the bisected stamp.







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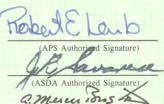
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Members of The American Philatelic Expertizing Service have examined the item submitted and it is their opinion that it is

Cuba, Scott No. 148 variety, Edifil No. 128f, bisect used on cover as postage due, genuine in all respects.

Date SEP 17 1997



(Administrator Signature)