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1 centavo black violet Diagonal halves used as ½c



Two bisected 1c stamps each used as ½c to pay 1c postage for a letter mailed within the city of La Habana. The bisected stamps are tied to the cover by black illegible datestamps. The cover bears blue Habana backstamps of 6 May 98 and 7 May 98.

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1 centavo black violet Printed matter rate to Canada



A single 1 centavo stamp paying the printed matter rate on an open envelope to New Brunswick, Canada.

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12c. double weight letter rate to Spain U.S. Administration Period



Cover front illustrating the 12c. double weight letter rate to Spain during the U.S. postal administration. When the United States took over the postal service after the Spanish-American War, the rate to Spain was changed to 12c. for double weight letters franked with Cuban stamps. This cover was mailed from La Habana to Barcelona late in 1998.