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6 centavos dark blue postal forgery Underpaid registered cover to Germany



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Genuine Stamp

Registered mourning cover from La Habana to Leipzig, Germany, franked with a 2c. genuine stamp, a 3c. genuine stamp, and a 6c. counterfeit stamp for a total of 11c., thus underpaying by 4c. the 10c. postage to Germany for a single weight letter plus the 5c. registry fee. The cover bears an up-side-down black rectangular registry mark that reads "ISLA DE CUBA—HABANA—VIA EXTRANJERA".





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Registered cover from La Habana to New York bearing one 1 milésima orange brown stamp, one 1c black violet stamp, one 3c dark brown stamp, and one 5c rose stamp for a total of 9c and 1m. The correct rate for a registered cover to New York was 10c, 5c for postage and 5c for registration; the 1m stamp apparently passed as a 1c stamp, underpaying the postage by 9m. The cover bears a black "A.R. HABANA" request for acknowledgement of receipt mark (French "Accusé de Réception"), a faint magenta rectangular Habana registry mark, and a purple rectangular New York receipt backstamp.