

1888-1889

## "RECARGO DE CONSUMOS" ISSUES

In early 1888, certain postal, telegraph, and revenue stamps were surcharged "RECARGO DE CONSUMOS" with various values to pay a tax on the consumption of tobacco. Use of the surcharge was discontinued on July 1, 1889. Due to stamp shortages, remainders of the surcharged stamps were again put into use, this time for postal and telegraph use, between January 29-August 1, 1889. However, the value of the "parent" stamp, rather than the value of the surcharge was used to pay the rate.



Example of 'RECARGO DE CONSUMOS' handstamp (enlarged).

## ONLY 5 COVERS KNOWN



1889 (May) Manila to Germany.