

CIVIL CENSOR MARKS

CITY OF MANILA



Garrett IA2

COMMERCIAL COVER



1 May 1943 – Manila circulating window cover with 5c First Anniversary Executive Commission issue paying First Class domestic postal rate. Stamp tied with Manila Machine cancel (Garrett Type 2). Rectangular Boxed Censor handstamp on bottom left (Garrett IA2) with censor's initials. Small Rectangular 12 May 1943 Notice handstamp on bottom right. Large purple (13 May 1943) circular "Manila Post Office / Officer-in-Charge No. 1" marking. A further black rectangular boxed (20 May 1943) "Returned to Sender / Unclaimed" handstamp.

Undeliverable mail matters were sometimes returned to the post office by letter carriers and turned over to the "Carrier-in-Charge No. 1". When all attempts to deliver had failed, the cover was handstamped "Unclaimed", with "Returned to Sender" marking applied. The cover was then returned to the sender as undeliverable.