

# Is It Postal Stationery ?

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# Outline

- Purpose: discussion and questions
- Examine definition of postal stationery
- Examples

# Postal Stationery Definition

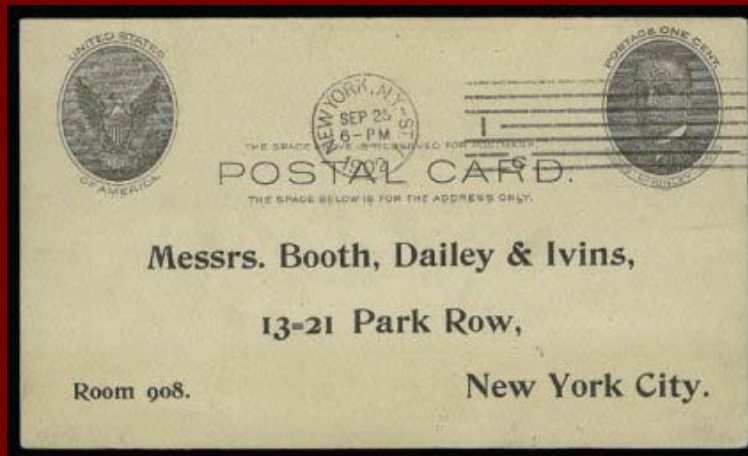
*Postal Stationery comprises postal matter which either bears an officially authorised pre-printed stamp or device or inscription indicating that a specific face value of postage or related service has been prepaid*

# Postal Stationery Definition

## Requirements

1. Preprinted stamp or device or inscription
2. Specific face value has been prepaid

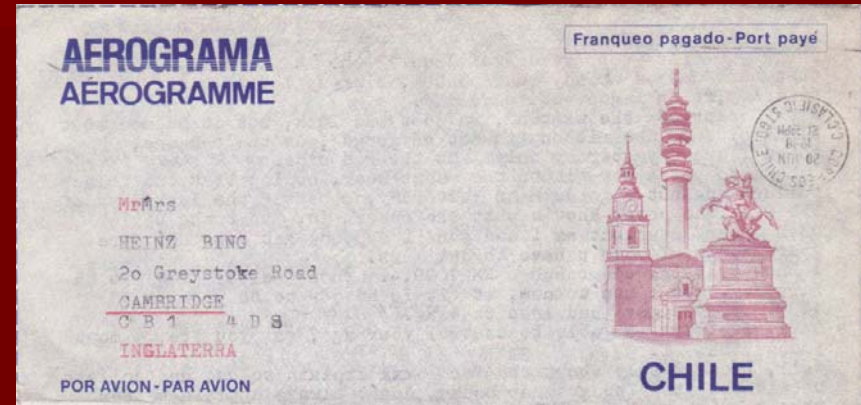
# Obviously postal stationery



Printed stamp with value indicated.

# Postage Paid

No printed stamp  
but text says  
"Postage Paid"



Printed "stamp" with  
text "Postage Paid"

Both are not strictly  
postal stationery but  
accepted.



# Service indicated



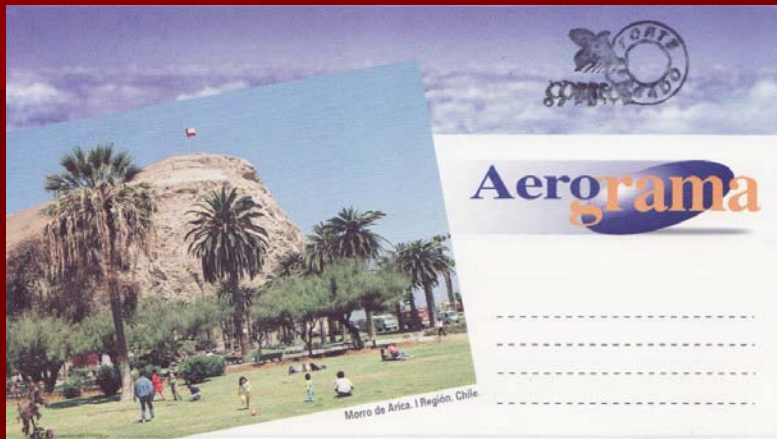
Indication of domestic rate



Postage paid and indication  
for domestic and  
international rate

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stationery but accepted

# Devices to indicate postage paid



Prepaid indication  
added by handstamp.  
Glossy paper does not  
take the ink well.



Prepaid indication sprayed on

Both example are not  
strictly postal stationery  
(no specific face value)  
but accepted.



# Devices to indicate postage paid



"Postage paid" printed

"Postage paid"  
applied by cancelling  
device

# Formular cards



In Chile one could get a formular card with a postage stamp preapplied. Or get 100 cards without the postage applied.

Both examples are not postal stationery (no preprinted stamp) but stamped formular items are accepted as fore-runners.

# Formular money order

Главна Телеграфо-Пощенска Дирекция.

98237

Пощенски записъ № 98237

Г. н. *Андрей Бичев* (слова) левъ *100* ст.

за Г. н. *Даро Убайков*

от гр. *Сабрина* ул. или село *Баница*

Пощенски записъ № 98237

Издаденъ въ гр. *Забрвца* на *17 VII* 1918 г.

Подписъ на чиновника: *Розураф*

Стойност на записъ (съ цифри)	
лева	ст.
Злато . . .	
Сребро . . .	100
Размѣни . . .	
Всичко . . .	100

Стереот. — 2008—1911

Definitely postal stationery

ГЛАВНА ДИРЕКЦИЯ НА ПОШИТЕ, ТЕЛЕГРАФИТЕ И ТЕЛЕФОНИТЕ

№ 9403

на записъ . . . лева . . . ст.

записъ . . .

Всичко . . . лева . . . ст.

ПОШЕНСКИ ЗАПИСЪ ЗА 1070 ЛЕВА 70 СТ.

Началник станция за сметка на Г. н. *В. Върбанов, златкар*

внесе лева (слова) *десет, десетдесет*

за Г. н. *Костянтин* ул. *Клементина* № 19, срещу подаден от него

с наложен платен *Костянтин* под № . . .

ПОШЕНСКИ ЗАПИСЪ № 9403

Издаденъ в . . . на *23 IX* 1925 год.

Подписъ на чиновника: *Розураф*

Стойност на записъ	
лева	ст.
1070	70

Стереот. — 2001—1925

Formular use after postal stationery issues were discontinued are not accepted in postal stationery exhibits.

# Demonetized



Is it postal stationery after being demonetized? No. There is no specific value.



# Formular Domestic AR

Формуляр № 84

**Известие за получаване**  
за препоръчана пратка  
(Обратна разписка)

Клейно на получ. станция

Подписаният получател **Н. М. З. Д. Директор**  
за **защита и държ. иконом. открития за живота**  
във **София** уведомява, че препоръчаната пратка под № **340** от **\_\_\_\_\_** му е връчена от т. п. станция във **БЗ** на **\_\_\_\_\_** 19**42** год.

Точен адрес на подателя:  
Име и презиме: **Мари Върба** Подпис на получателя:  
ул. **Александрова** № **10**  
Град или село: **Буча**

**ИЗВЕСТИЕ**  
ЗА ДОСТАВЯНЕ  
ЗА ИЗПЛАЩАНЕ

Гр. (с) **СОФИЯ**  
Обл. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ул. № \_\_\_\_\_  
Блок \_\_\_\_\_ Вх. \_\_\_\_\_ Ал. № \_\_\_\_\_  
Получател: **МИНИСТЕРСТВО НА  
НАРОДНАТА ПРОСВЕТА**

1000

Обр. 243

Обр. 243

**ИЗВЕСТИЕ**  
(ОБРАТНА РАЗПИСКА)

ЗА ДОСТАВЯНЕ  
 ЗА ИЗПЛАЩАНЕ

Подписаният получател **Александра**  
гр. (с) **Буча** ул. **Леску Брже**  
**Д.К. 922** тел. \_\_\_\_\_  
увереноверявам, че получаю  писмо  
 м. пакет  колет  пощ. запис от  
ПГТС \_\_\_\_\_ 199... г.  
Получател: \_\_\_\_\_ Ал. \_\_\_\_\_  
на \_\_\_\_\_ 199... г.  
Подпис на получателя: \_\_\_\_\_

а) пратката е доставена б) записът изплатен  
 лично  на тълмошника - описана  
в кн. 242, оп. 269, вер. 721, пор. \_\_\_\_\_

НАЧАЛНИК: \_\_\_\_\_

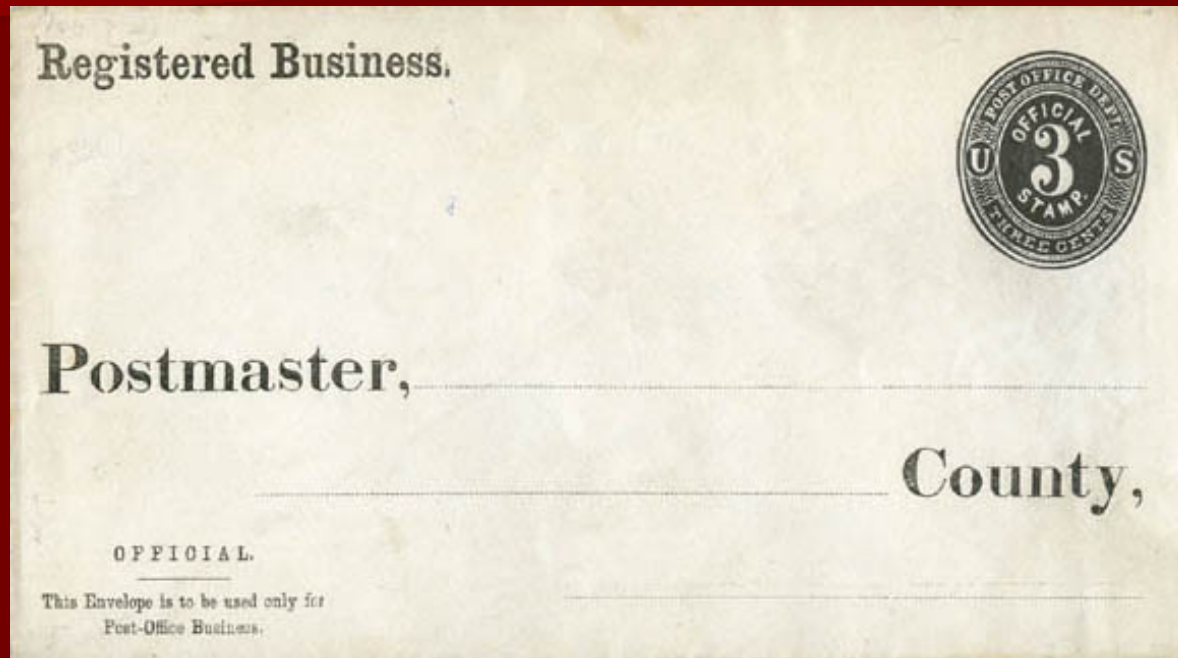
Bulgaria started with formular domestic AR then went to postal stationery then back to formular.

The formular items to 1982 are fore-runners. The formular items after 1999 are not accepted in postal stationery exhibits.

# Formular International AR

Bulgaria used formular international AR only.  
Not fore-runner. It is not postal stationery.

# "Official" Service



Obvious postal stationery: printed stamp with value

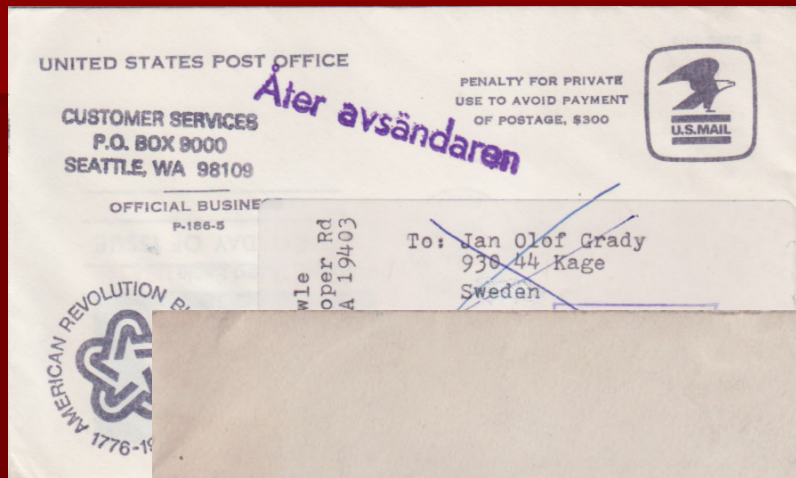
# Postal Service



Printed stamp but no value

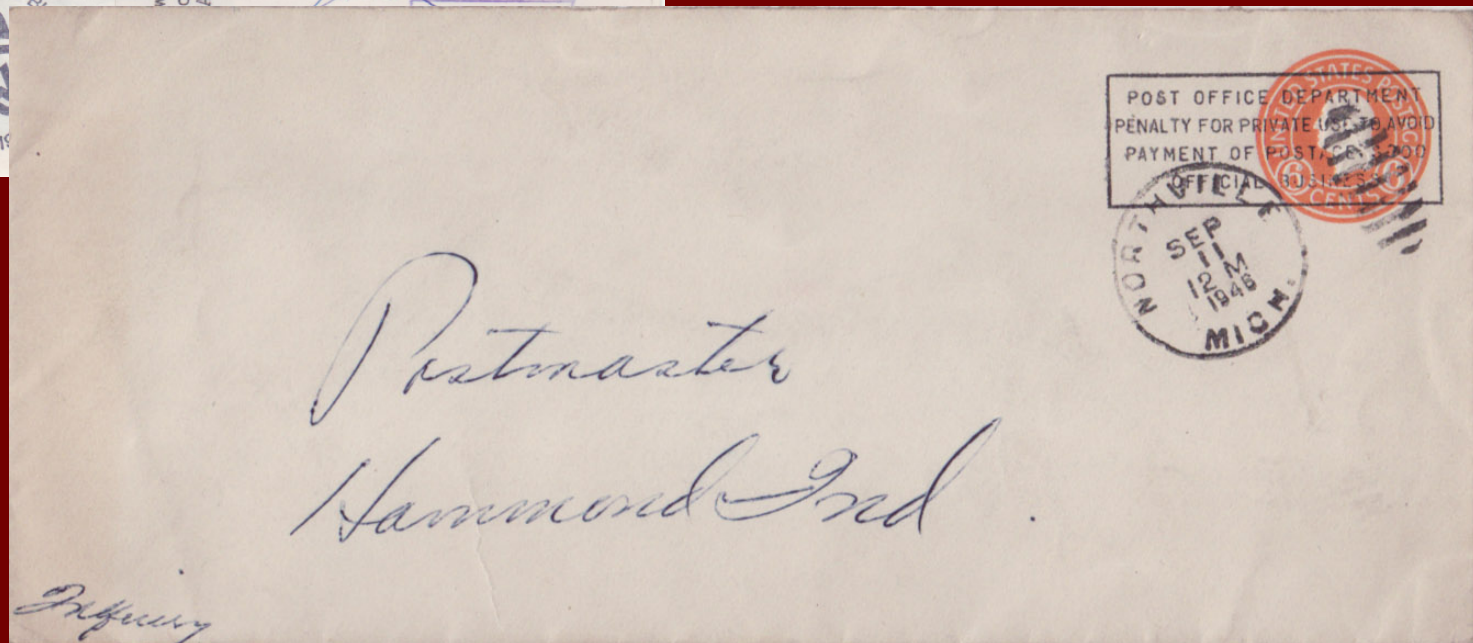


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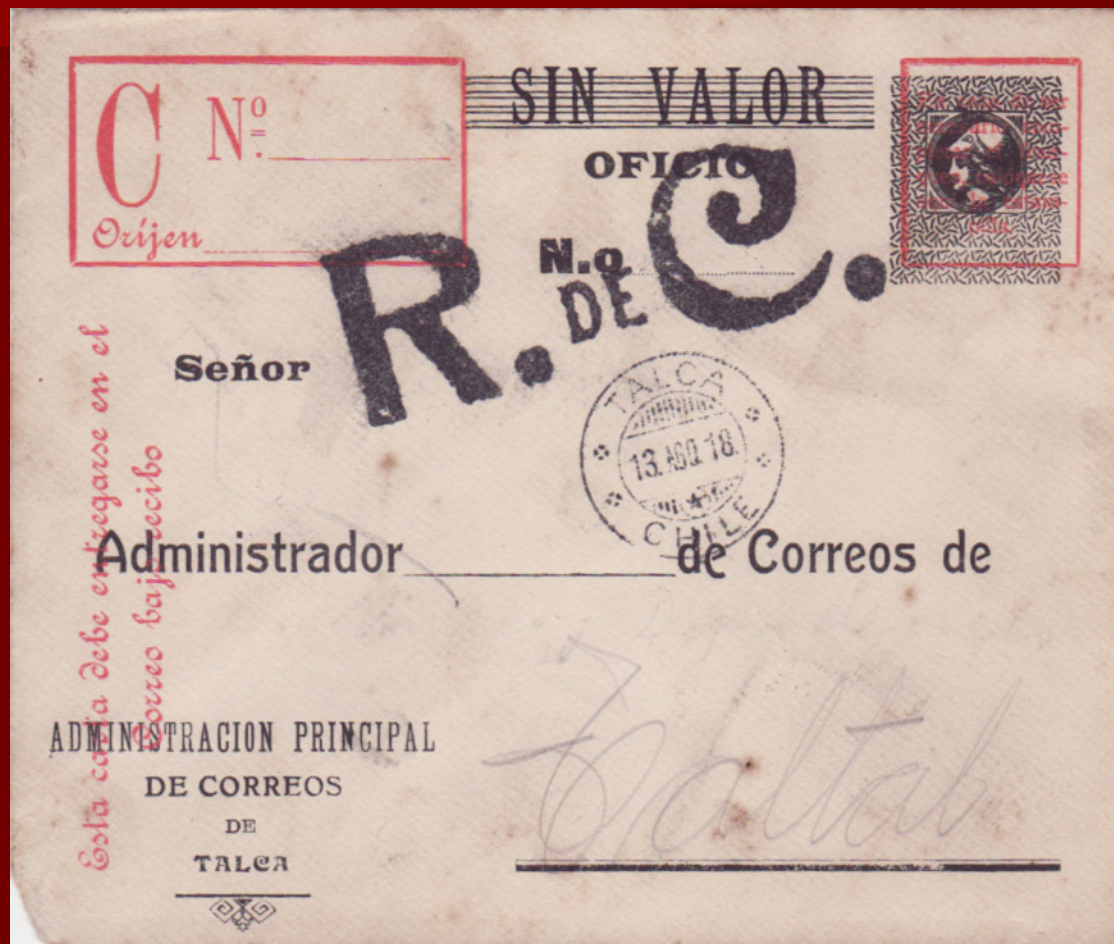
No indication of value

Effectively demonetized with  
no indication of value



Both examples are not postal stationery

# Postal Service



Remember the Chile SIN VALOR envelopes from earlier?

What happens if they are overprinted for postal service use? Postal stationery?

No. It is no different than printing on a blank envelope.

# Postal Service



What if the printed stamp is obliterated?

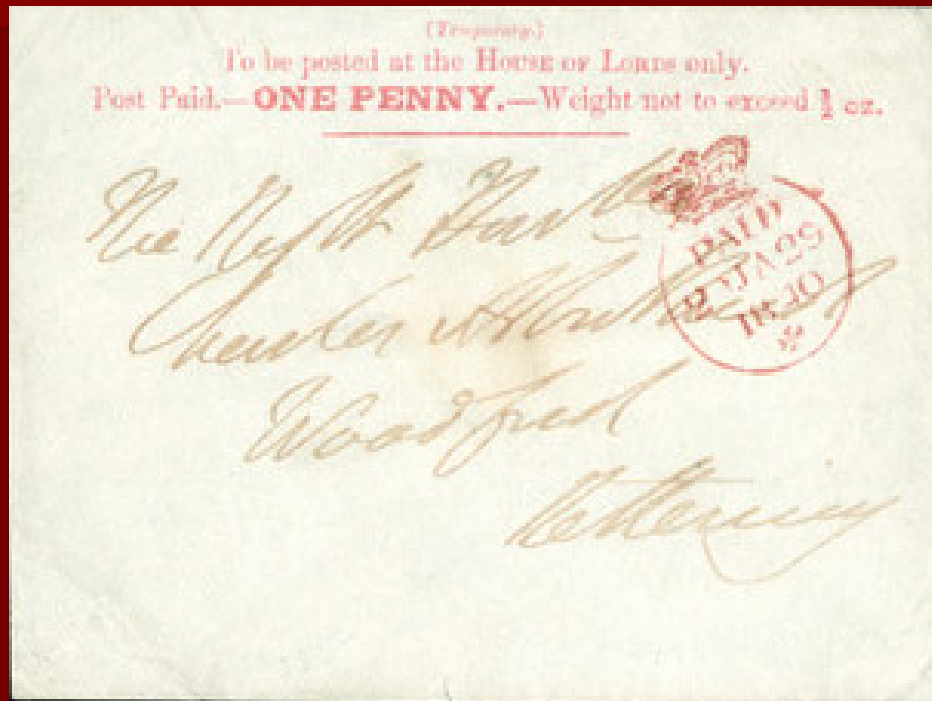
It is not postal stationery. No stamp. No value.

# Postal Service of Another Government



Demonetized USA envelope; overprinted for use in Confederate States of America; no value. It is not postal stationery.

# Other Governmental Entities



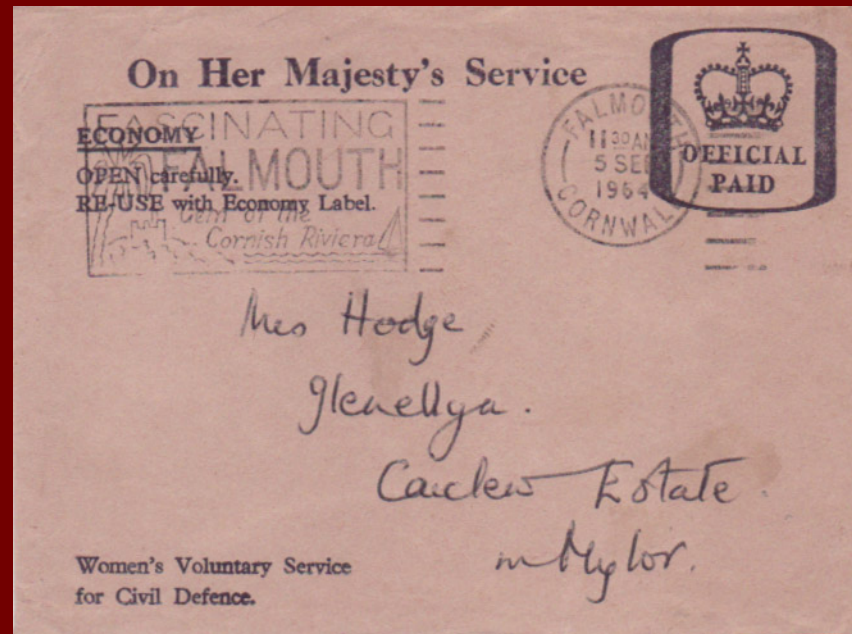
No printed stamp but value indicated.

# Other Governmental Entities



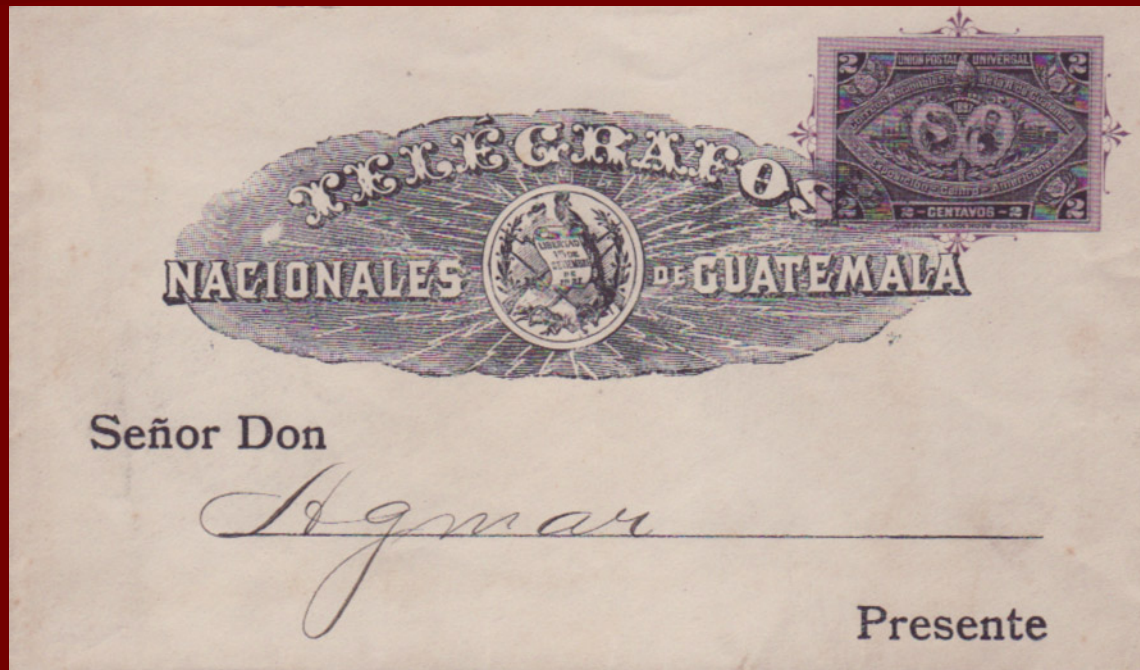
Overprinted for official service. Value of card is irrelevant.  
It is not postal stationery.

# Other Governmental Entities



Is this postal stationery? No indication of specific value.

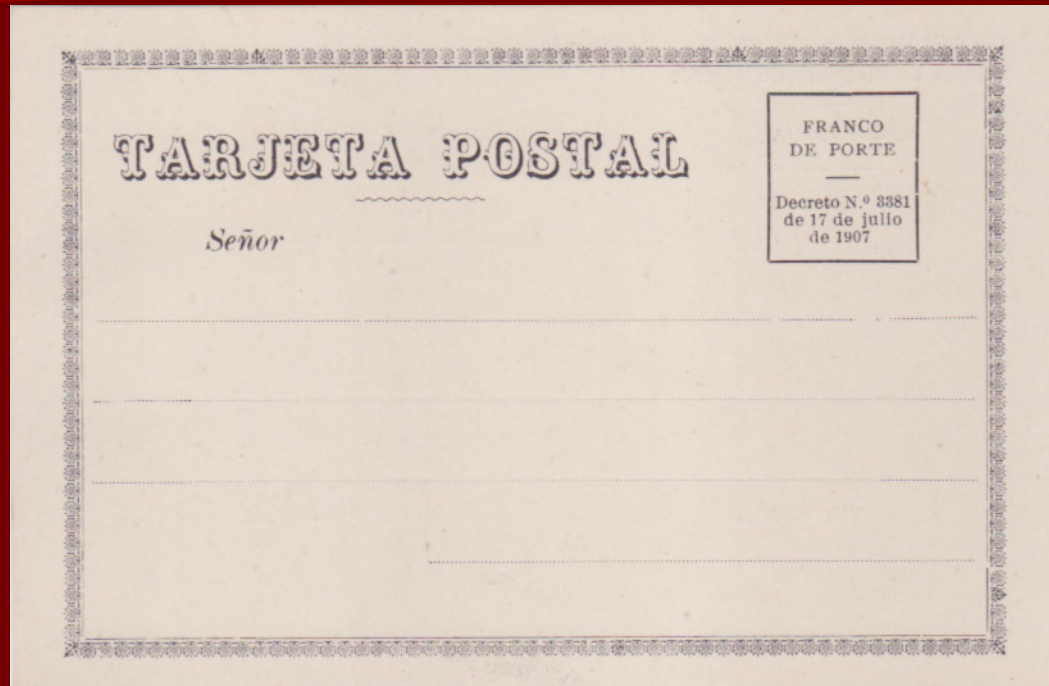
# Other Governmental Entities



The envelopes were demonetized. Later overprinted for the telegraph service. Value of stamp is irrelevant. It is not postal stationery.



# Other Governmental Entities



Some entities were given the ability to send mail without paying postage. It is not postal stationery since it was privately printed.

# Future Efforts

- Use FIP PS Commission website for examples and explanations



Entire?	Yes
Official preprinted stamp?	No
Specific prepaid value?	No
Is it postal stationery?	No
Comments: Not a fore-runner. Bulgaria never issued international AR postal stationery.	

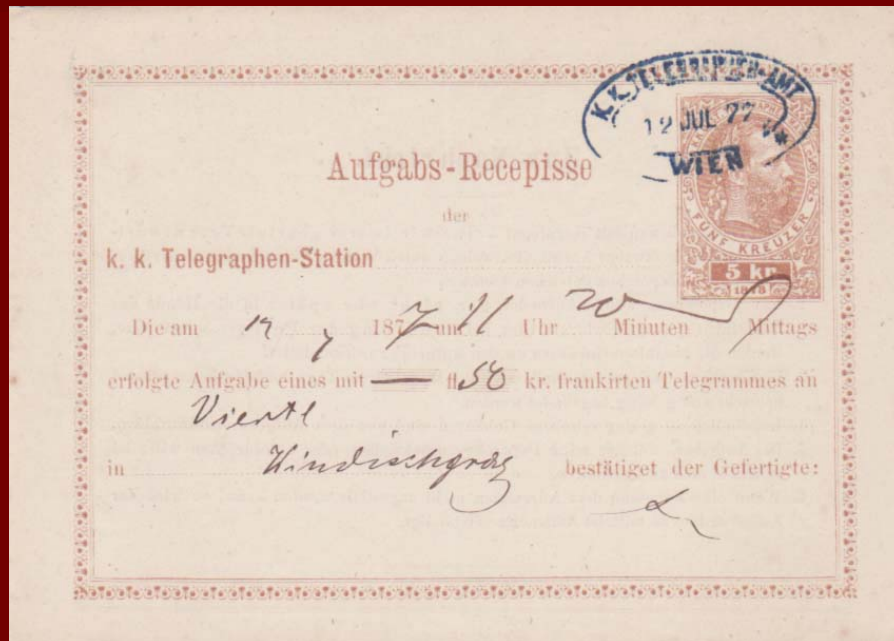
# Another example



Japan-Ryukyu Reply Coupon  
Issued for Ryukyu

Entire?	Yes
Official preprinted stamp?	No
Specific prepaid value?	Yes
Is it postal stationery?	Not strictly
Comments: Reply coupons are accepted as part of postal stationery and can be exhibited in PS class.	

# Another Example



Austria. Receipt of sending telegram.

Entire?	Yes
Official preprinted stamp?	Yes
Specific prepaid value?	Yes
Is it postal stationery?	Not strictly
Comments: Telegraph forms can be exhibited as postal stationery.	