

UM = UNDERVISNINGSMINISTERIET

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Unfortunately, the postmark on the illustrated cover is not legible as it might provide an additional clue to the user. The "UM" perfin pattern is listed as pattern U3 on page 41 of David Stump's *List of Danish Perfins: Firma Perforereds*, and no user is listed. Fortunately, *Danske Firmaperforeringer*, 1983 by Peter Engebrech identifies this pattern as perfin pattern U5. The identification in the latter catalog has a different, but recognizable spelling.

The back of the cover has a receiving mark dated "??/25/18" which when coupled with the 5 øre stamp showing King Christian IX, is an indication of usage in 1918. The usage clue may be the embossed seal used to seal the envelope flap which is white on a red background and has the following lettering around the circumference, "UNDERVISNINGSMINISTERIET".