

VOLUNTEER GUARD FORCE, 3RD REGT, BARILI, 87TH INF AREA
NAME OF UNIT

DELFIN VILLACARLOS
UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

1. Complaints
2. Investigating Officer's Notes
3. NFC/DL ltr dtd 19 Oct '46

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REMARKS:



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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
APO 707

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Mr. Delfin A. Villacarlos
Villagonzalo St.
City of Cebu

Dear Mr. Villacarlos:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 25 June 1946 in which you request the recognition and processing of the Volunteer Guard Force, 3rd Regiment Barili, 87th Infantry Area.

Special press release from Public Relations Office, AFWESPAC, dated 1 February 1946, stated that no applications for recognition of guerrilla units would be accepted by this headquarters after 15 March 1946. Your request for the recognition of the Volunteer Guard Force was received at this headquarters on 13 July 1946 in an envelope postmarked 8 July 1946 and does not meet the deadline referred to above.

In addition to the late submission of your roster, which automatically requires this headquarters to refuse to consider your request, it has not been the policy of this headquarters to extend a Philippine Army status to volunteer guard units. Although the services of such units were of considerable benefit to the various combat guerrilla organizations, and are deeply appreciated not only by those guerrilla organizations but by the Armed Forces of the United States as well, they do not conform to the general requirements for recognition of guerrilla units as laid down by General MacArthur during the liberation of the Philippines.

Provision has been made, however, for the recognition of those casualties, both killed in action and seriously wounded in action in the support of guerrilla operations, among the volunteer guard organizations. The requirements for this type of recognition have been distributed to the provincial Governors through the Government of the Republic of the Philippines. For your information a copy is attached.

In view of the foregoing and by direction of the Commanding General, your request for the recognition of the Volunteer Guard Force is not adequately justified and therefore is not favorably considered.

Sincerely yours,

W. P. MOORE
Lt. Col., AGC
Ass't Adj Gen

THOMAS J. BROWN
CWO, USA
ASST ADJ GEN
19 OCT 1946
AFWESPAC

- 3 Incls:
1-GAB, G-3 Form #2
Casualty Questionnaire
2-Instructions for Form #2
3-GAB, G-3 Form #6
Information Concerning
Guerrilla Casualties

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Lt Col Hugh L Carnahan:

2221 YDI GEN
CMO, NZU
THOMAS T. BROWN

Request of Delfin Villacarlos, City of Cebu, dtd 25 June 46, for the reorg and processing of the Volunteer Guard Force, 3rd Regt Barili, 87th Inf Area.

1. Col James Cushing, CO of the Cebu Area Command, stated that he would not recommend this unit for reorg, although the services rendered were of great benefit to the Cebu Area Command. He is in accord with the policy of this hq in not extending a PA status to volunteer guards or their equivalent.
2. Request for reorg of the Volunteer Guard Force unit is not favorably considered by this hq since it was submitted subsequent to 15 March 1946 deadline for acceptance of requests for reorg of grla units as established by special press release, AFWESPAC, dtd 1 Feb 46.
3. Further not favorably considered since volunteer guard organizations do not conform to the gen requirements for grla reorg as laid down by Gen MacArthur and consequently cannot be granted a PA status by this hq.
4. Informed of provision of this hq for reorg of grla casualties, a copy of which is furnished.

Maj Douglas C Murray

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UNITED STATES FORCES IN THE PHILIPPINES
CEBU AREA COMMAND
HEADQUARTERS VOLUNTEER GUARD FORCE
3RD REGIMENT BARILI 87TH INFANTRY AREA

Villagonzalo St.
City of Cebu
June 25, 1946

SUBJECT: Volunteer Guard Force, Recognition
and Processing, Submission for

TO : Commanding General AFWESPAC
APC 707
THRU : GUERRILLA AFFAIRS SECTION

1- I am informed by Major Franklin P. Ciano, P. A., CAC, and General Supervisor of the Volunteer Guard Force, that the CAC, Volunteer Guard Force had already been recognized. No

2- In as much as my organization falls under the category of the VGF and confirmed as such by the GHQ, CAC, P. A., the recognition of the Cebu Area Command, Volunteer Guard Force automatically includes my unit.

3- If the recognition is true may I request from your honorable office information and if the provision in the recognition allows separate recognition of my unit in particular, I respectfully request your office to consider the hereto attached letter of request for recognition.

4- The processing of the VGF whose wartime services are worthy of the United States of America attention and consideration had been expected by and waited for by us since the landing of the Americans for liberation.

5- The VGF is the most humble yet highly spirited organization in southern Cebu whose services and patriotism had been without limit for the realization of the cause we have been fighting for.

6- The VGF in my regiment worked 24 hours daily, dedicating their lives unselfishly and unreservedly encountering odds and sacrificing lives when necessary.

7- Inclosed in this letter are:
Exh. "A", "B", "C" and "D"
which I hereby respectfully submitted.

8- I hope that U. S. A. will not only give attention to the wealth, the wealthy, and the fortunate, but also to the poor unfortunate, and almost forgotten stratum in the society, the Volunteer Guards who are peaceful, lawabiding small landowners farmers and workers but the real backbone of all our endeavors for victory in the province of Cebu, especially in the 87th Infantry area.

THANKS.

Very respectfully,

Delphin A. Villacarlos
DELPHIN A. VILLACARLOS

DAV/am

COPY FURNISHED:

Major Franklin P. Ciano, Inf.
Gen. Supervisor, VGF, CAC
File.

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UNITED STATES FORCES IN THE PHILIPPINES
 CEBU AREA COMMAND
 HEADQUARTERS VOLUNTEER GUARD FORCE
 3RD REGIMENT BARILI 87TH INFANTRY AREA

EXH "A"

Villagonzalo St.
 City of Cebu
 June 25 1946

SUBJECT : Recognition of Unit, Request for

TO : Commanding General AFWESPAC
 APO 707
 THRU : Guerrilla Affairs Section

1- As part and parcel of the guerrilla movement in the Philippines particularly in the 87th Infantry Area Southern Cebu Sector Cebu Area Command the undersigned VG-Captain and VG-Regimental Commander respectfully pray the Honorable Office of the Commanding General AFWESPAC the recognition of my unit Volunteer Guard Force, 3rd Regiment, Barili, Cebu Area Command.

2- This regiment had been in the active service continually in the resistant movement against the enemy ever since September 1942 up to March 31 1945 as shown by records and also stated in the affidavit executed by Captain Tranquillino Tabanag of the South Cebu Sector and 87th Infantry and other herein as Exh. "A" and Exh. "B" during the beginning of the guerrilla period under Luis Jakosalem sector commander until Lt. Col. A. Trazo Commanding Officer of the 87th Infantry Cebu Area Command.

3- My leadership as regimental commander of the Volunteer Guard Force and as VG-Captain and the organization I have put up had been confirmed by the two commanding officers of the said sector in the Cebu Area Command. Records supporting papers and evidences are in my file and too voluminous to accompany this petition.

4- Hoping for your early consideration thanks.

Very truly

Delphin A. Villacarlos
 DELFIN A. VILLACARLOS
 VG-Captain 3rd VG-Regt. Barili
 Commanding

Copy furnished:
 CO CAC
 87th Regt'l Comdr.
 Thru: Major Franklin Ciano
 Gen. Supervisor VGF.

Inclasures:
 2 Affidavits
 1 Strength Report.

UNITED STATES FORCES IN THE PHILIPPINES
 CEBU AREA COMMAND
 HEADQUARTERS VOLUNTEER GUARD FORCE
 3RD REGIMENT BARILI 87TH INFANTRY AREA

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L.H. "B"

Villagonzalo St.
 City of Cebu
 July 31, 1945

SUBJECT : History of Guerrilla Unit
 Under VG-Captain **Belfin A. Villacarlos**,
 C O, Southern Barili Area, CAC, Report of

TO : Commanding General, AFWESPAC,
 APO 707

THRU : Guerrilla Affairs Section

April 10, 1942, the Japanese invaded Cebu province, I, Delfin A. Villacarlos, move up the mountains of Cebu City, down to Minolos, Barili,

(Pre-History: On April 10, 1942, up to 7:00 A.M. I was attending my daily duty in Cebu City. The Japanese landed with areal and naval bombardments. Strong Japanese force coming from different points converged into the City concentrating their attacks to the Usaffe defenses. The Usaffe resistance collapsed under a more equiped and tremendous number of enemy forces. I joined the retreating Usaffe soldiers towards the mountains of Cebu following the Guadalupe river. At barrio Lilic I was helping the protection of an officer guarded by Usaffe soldiers day and night to avoid capture by the Japanese. The officer was **burning** secret code and army signal books and papers. The officer and men were either proceeding to Negros or to Balamban. I proceeded to Lanipao hills then along the mountain ranges and barrios to the town of Barili. I reached Minolos, Barili, April 30, 1942. At Minolos mid-way between Barili and the town of Dumanjug I stayed as a place of temporary residence.

On May 2, 1942, I went to Cebu City by foot then to the north town of Carmen covering 105.30 km. In the far I observed Japanese vandalism and cruelties. The Japanese on trucks stopped at houses along the road, looted and emptied all contents of value. The house along the road were abandoned and deserted. The roads were quiet and lonely.

I believed that the whole Cebu was distrustful of the Japanese and worrying about the fate of the Philippines falling into the hands of our common enemy.

In my returned journey to Minolos, while yet in Cebu City, I mixed with fellows in civilians. We talked about arming ourselves to fight the enemy by ambush. This was at Fuente Osmeña near the Guadalupe river during my two-days stay. The second day the fellows tooked their buried revolvers and hide them under their belts covered by the shirts. They returned to the mountains and I proceeded to the south to do my part. When I reached Minolos I was met by boys probably soldiers I told them to look for their CO and report for group duty because the city boys are forming for guerrilla.

The situation was critical. The formerly civil government was not known. Pre-war elected public officials were afraid to resume duties because they will become collaborators with the Japanese or fall under the dictate and guidance of the enemy forces.

The population was left without guidance. Fear with the enemy was felt by everybody and lawlessness was sure to flourish and detrimental to loyal civilians to the United States of America. This was the dark days of our existence. I temporarily saw the doom of my native land. My heart aches and my hopes as a loyal citizen to my country and U. S. A. was challenged. My heart revolted to the situation. I pity my neighbors in a state of uncertainty).

I went to ~~Musbuale~~ ~~It~~ heard of Mr. T. Tabañag, etc. organizing a guerrilla. Later, on or about September, 1942, I met him. He appointed me "Chief Group Leader" and to lead the volunteers. My assignment was Minolos, Between Dumanjug and Barili. Having my appointment and authority, I organized the civilian volunteers formerly members of the volunteer guards.

I handed ~~(my appointment)~~ ~~my~~ letter of appointment and assignment to the Commanding Officer of the Barili town force while Mr. T. Tabañag was the Executive Officer at the Dumangug command.

The meeting with my command was ~~offened~~ attended by the Barili commanding officer upon my invitation. During the first assembly in public at a plaza with the volunteers I delivered a speech stressing the following facts:

1- As a Filipino we own allegiance to the U. S. A. and the Philippines government ^{now} in the United States, and that allegiance we have endeared and cherished and that to defend it we have to die if necessary;

2- Politically we cannot accept Japanese institution. It is undemocratic headed by an emperor whose words were law and whom everybody revered, surrounded by few men who lead the people for their own aggrandizement;

3- Religiously their God is the emperor and that they are not Christians.

4- Economically Japan is weak and we are fooled by their currency circulating in the Philippines which is without security but their sword and that currency will perish with their sword.

5- We cannot accept their social system and their civilization is low.

6- That we have to resist and we are in line with the U.S.A., Great Britain, and Russia and our enemies are Germany, Japan and Italy.

7- The Japanese fight by foul means and inflicted on us cruelly and savagely.

8- And that in this battle we will surely win because America is sure to come for our salvation.

As a recognized commanding officer of my sector I made the following assignments before a crowd of volunteers:

Executive Officer: Counselor Ignacio Nerosa
Adjutant : Santiago Mercado
Volunteer Police Off.: Jose Mercado
Donation & Supply Off.: Gregorio Escultos
Govt Properties Care and Maint.: Anecito Pranza

Simultaneous with the above assignment the Hq. & Hq. Bn. personell were as follows:

Santiago Mercado	Bn. Comdr. Actg.
Gregorio Escultos	Ex. O. "
Jose Mercado	S- 2 "
Teleforo Baya	S-3 "
Anecito Pranza	S -4 "

Company Commander Jose Mercado who was active during the organization and who rendered cooperating with Delfin A. Villacarlos in his 24 hours service daily was also assignment as Asst. ~~XXXX~~ ~~XXXX~~ Supervisor of the Volunteer Guards.

One of the first and earliest offensive of the guerrilla was the ambushing of the train going south to Carcar. It was around at Bulacao at about 8:00 A. M. I was in the spot. The first series of shoots by the guerrilleros stopped the train. After exchanges of firing ~~the~~ between the guerrilleros and the Japanese, the train retreated carrying Japanese soldiers. When the Japanese were gone the guerrilleros returned to the hills of Talisay. It was about 9:00 or 10:00 A. M. Then I bought sugar from a producer whom I knew did not receive ~~and~~ accept Japanese currency. From Talisay I hired a Tartanilla and brought the sugar to my sector. The people understood that the guerrilla in the province was in action.

I proceeded to Minolos then to Mualbual around 88.4 km. from the City. The Guerrilleros along the road were in ambushing maneuver for Japanese trucks. I give them information and returned to Minolos.

In Minolos and southern Barili I undertake and pursue the following activities:

- 1- Constructing and repairing the following:
 - a. School buildings, roads, colverts, etc.,
 - b. Volunteer guards posts and quarters,
 - c.- Market shed and ~~taendas~~,
 - d. Infantry headquarters, command posts, guardhouses, posts, messhalls, dispensaries, coop, for D. Jakosalem during the early guerrilla and at Bolocboloc during the later part of the guerrilla period for Lt. Col. A. Trazo both were Commanding Officer whose Executive Officer and Adjutant for the first was Lt. F. Montiveros who became adjutant for the later,
 - e. Defense line extending a kilometer and defenses at strategic points for the infantry,
 - f. Road blocks and barricades,
- 2.- Supplying kitchen materials and quarter equipments,
- 3.- Supplying food by means of donations such as rice, corn grains, rootcrops, fish, cows, pigs, eggs, salts, vegetables, etc.,
- 4.- Supplying defense guards, messhalls attendance, Hq. guards, workers, and other details for the infantry.
- 5.- Supplying ~~ice condiments~~ for alcohol distillery, coconut oil, charcoal, and firewood,
- 5.- Transporting and hauling of:
 - a. Donations and food supplies,
 - b. Army provisions and equipments,
- 6.- Maintaining of:
 - a. Weekly drills for volunteer guards,
 - b. 24 hours guarding duties daily in all posts,
 - c. patrol duties in land and along the shores,
 - d. tabu to secure funds for the army support,
 - e. men as snipers and men behind the firing line of the guerrilla during ambushing and encountering enemy.
7. Inspect, investigate, give clearance to loyal civilians and arrest suspects and Japanese collaborators,
8. Gave safety precaution to civilians.
9. Incapacitating vessels of bigger size to avoid confiscation and use by the Japanese if found in the sea by Japanese sea patrol,
10. Settling criminal cases, such as maltreatment, stealing, robberies, etc., and civil cases such as inheritances, interpreting court peacetime orders and decisions,
11. Controlling prices and prohibits profiteering,
12. Handling disposition of prime commodities,
13. Prohibits illegal fishing,
14. Promoting farming, domestic industry, fishing, and commerce among and between guerrilla occupied area,

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15. Supplying information regarding Japanese troops and their movements.
16. To promulgate rules and regulations for the population in general to secure efficient administration.
17. Complying infantry orders and memoranda.
18. Taking care of the wounded and casualties.

Pertinent and supporting papers are in our file to substantiate the above activities. Our official records are too voluminous to accompany this reports.

The above services innumarated were rendered throughout the guerrilla period and until March 26, 1945, the landing of the Americans in City of Cebu for liberation. Our services practically ceased on April 15, 1945, when I started to Cebu City to work in the PCAU-15 Civil Affairs Labor Office and the Americal Division Civil Affairs as accountant and paymaster and as Chief Foreman.

Completing the assignments and distribution of officers the following were in the active duty, also shown in the Roster of Troops, Roster of Officers, and Tactical Organization, as of October, 1942, viz:

VG-Captain	Delfin A. Villacarlos	Regt'l Comdr.
" 1st Lt.	Ignacio Nerosa	Executive Officer
" " "	Santiago Mercado	Adjutant
" " "	Tranquilino Rivera	S-2
" " "	Pedro Castro	"-3
" " "	Francisco Aguilar	"-4
" 2nd "	Silvino Ricabo	"-4 Assistant.
" 2nd "	Anastacio Muntuerto	Hq. Clerk
VG- 1st. Lt.	Amando Baliguet	Bn. Comdr.
" 2nd Lt.	Jose Fernandez	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Teofilo Vergara	S-2
" " "	Alejandro Veloso	S-3
" " "	Bartolome Carreon	S-4
VG- 2nd Lt.	Jose V. Soza	Co. Comdr.
" - 2nd Lt.	Anastasio Muntuerto	Ex. O. & Adj.
" - 3rd Lt.	Aurelio Ricabo	J. O.
" - " "	Paulino Soplac	J. O.
" - " "	Telestoro Baya	J. O.
VG- 2nd Lt.	Jose Vergara	Co. Comdr.
" 3rd "	Francisco Sanchez	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Gasus Ongria	J. O. Actg.
" " "	Flencio Padilla	J. O.
" " "	Juan Lozada	J. O.
VG- 2nd Lt.	Teofilo Carreon	Co. Comdr.
" 3rd "	Margarito Rebuyas	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Vicente Carreon	J. O.
" " "	Esteban Mariñas	J. O.
" " "	Teofisto Carreon	J. O.
VG- 2nd Lt.	Teofilo Avanceña	Co. Comdr.
" 3rd "	Lazaro Algar	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Luciano Ewican	J. O.
" " "	Manuel Abad	J. O.
" " "	Julian Sayson	J. O.
VG-1st. Lt.	Agapito Torres	Bn. Comdr.
" 2nd "	Sergio Cañete	EX. O. & Adj.
" " "	Quirico Alda	S- 2
" " "	Porferio Zapanta	" -3
" " "	Jose Mercado	S- 4 Actg.

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VG- 2nd Lt.	Jose Mercado	Co. Comdr.
VG- 3rd "	Petronilo Mercado	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Sergio Enclonar	J. O.
" " "	Frank York	J. O.
" " "	Epimaco Mercado	JJ O.
VG-2nd Lt.	Juan Regodon	Co. Comdr.
" 3rd "	Isidoro Baya	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Antonio de la Cruz	J. O.
" " "	Saturnino de los Santos	J. O.
" " "	Cesaz Molina	J. O.
VG-2nd Lt.	Getolio Anok	Co. Comdr.
" 3rd Lt.	Leopoldo Vergara	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Elias Linaban	J. O.
" " "	Gabriel Oberez	J. O.
" " "	Alberto de los Reyes	J. O.
VG-2nd Lt.	Cesar Gingoyon	Co. Comdr.
" 3rd Lt.	Pedro Molina	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Alfredo Martorillas	J. O.
" " "	Juan Tilar	J. O.
" " "	Cleopas Montemayor	J. O.
VG-1st. Lt.	Eugenio Fernandez	Bn. Comdr.
VG-2nd. Lt.	Cenon Fernandez	Ex. O. & Adj.
VG-2nd. Lt.	Vicente Ricaña	S-2
" " "	Pedro Bayadog	S-3
" 3rd "	Teofilo Canoyog	S-4 Actg.
VG-2nd Lt.	Teofilo Bayadog	Co. Comdr.
VG-3rd "	Ricardo Lozano	Ex. O. & Adj.
VG- " "	Demetrio Jaballa	J. O.
VG- " "	Bebiano Temonio	J. O.
" " "	Potenciano Urbina	J. O.
VG-2nd Lt.	Hermogenes Caraso	Co. Comdr.
VG-3rd Lt.	Epifanio Caraso	Ex. O. & Adj.
VG- " "	Alfredo Suanson	J. O.
" " "	Primitivo Mague	J. O.
" " "	Emilio de la Torres	J. O.
VG-2nd Lt.	Emilio Villegas	Co. Comdr.
VG-3rd Lt.	Moises Villegas	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Victorio Villegas	J. O.
" " "	Hilarion Borbos	J. O.
" " "	Teofilo Canoy	J. O.
VG-2nd Lt.	Zoilo Cabaasag	Co. Comdr.
VG-3rd Lt.	Agaton Salazar	Ex. O. & Adj.
VG- " "	Agripino Martorillas	J. O.
" " "	Vicente Antipolo	J. O.
" " "	Narciso Teorima	J. O.
VG-1st. Lt.	Dominador Aplicador	Bn. Comdr.
" 2nd "	Domingo S. Jakosalem	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " "	Anastasio Merida	S- 2
" " "	Pasumaya Wenseslao	S- 3
" 3rd "	Roberto Casipong	S- 5 Asst.
" 2nd "	Patricio L. Bayutas	S- 4
" 3rd "	Benito Borbos	S- 4 Asst.
VG-2nd Lt.	Rodaje, Cornelio	Co. Comdr.
" 3rd "	Lope Velencio	EX. O. & Adj.
" " "	Andres Jakosalem	J. O.
" " "	Primitivo Encarnasion	J. O.
" " "	Julian Encarnacion	J. O.
" " "	Julio Gimillan	VG-Police
VG-2nd Lt.	Felipe Antipuesto	Co. Comdr.
VG-3rd Lt.	Alfredo Merafuentes	Ex. O. & Adj.

VG-3rd Lt. Marcelo Lacustales	J. O.
" " " Francisco Lacustales	J. O.
" " " Valerio Lopez	J. O.
VG-2nd Lt. Deogracias Concepcion	Co, Comdr.
VG-3rd Lt. Beato Bayno	Ex. O. & Adj.
" " " Teodorico Libradilla	J. O.
" " " Uldarico Ogabang	J. O.
" " " Policarpo Ricabo	J. O.

The Japanese make periodic mopping-up operation throughout the province of Cebu. Failure of the Japanese to penetrate the Southern Cebu Sector during the early part of 1943 in their intensive mopping-up operation to exterminate the army and volunteer guards, on May 9, 1943, strong Japanese forces invade the whole length of Southern Sector, landing treacherously at various quiet and isolated points from the sea.

It was around 8:00 P. M. the Japanese transport ships crept slowly and quietly in the midst of intense darkness and stealthily kept anchored at Mopitan, Marili, etc., No. landing was made at Minolos, but from their landing points they marched quietly headed by Japanese snipers and supported by long columns of Japanese fighting formation.

The civilians were already told to evacuate to the hills. We were always in the alert, patrolling, guarding, and sniping. When we discovered the landings, we rushed the information to the telegraph operator and relay further developments.

When the Japanese passed my sector, Minolos, my men and snipers, together with almost a squad of infantry rushed from Dumanjug to verify the situation, fought and wrestled with the Japanese.

The results on the guerrilla side was as follows:

Lt. Fernandez, infantry received serious wounds, incapacitated armed and captured by the Japanese;
Sergio Pasaforte detailed at Post No. 4 on duty killed by the Japanese;
One member of a shore patrol killed in action by the Japanese;
Santiago Mercado, sniper received wounds and captured by the Japanese but escaped from the Japanese prisoners' camped after two days and came to report to me;
Gregorio de la Cerna, sniper, received serious wounds but escaped from capture;
Antonio Soza, detailed at the Command Post, was wounded and captured but returned alive.
Other members of my snipers, patrol and guards on duty wounded and not retreated to avoid retaliation by Japanese which would result in the annihilation and killings of all civilians and others upon a failure on our part to drive and wipe out the Japanese.

On the enemy side estimation of results are not available. Japanese belt was found cut -up by our bolos or "Sangot" on the spot of encounter along the seashore.

No civilian casualties or captured.

Doctors and hospitals were absent due to the influxes of Japanese to wipe out guerrilla institutions in my sector, so to treat the wounded I organized ladies into a league to attend and treat the wounded with native medicine.

In the morning following the invasion, inspired of the Japanese ravages I lead my men to withdraw the dead from and

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along the road and opened space and committed them to their families to accompany in the burial in safe places guarded by us.

It was useless to resist such an equipt and powerful foe in comparison with our poorly equipt army in open battle. So the infantry unit preferred to stand by concentrating themselves at Malalay hills while others went to Negros Island to secure arms.

I operated from the hills of Minolos and Guibuangan, cooperating the guerrilla infantry unit in periodically harassing the enemy in ambush and attacking them.

All my wounded volunteer guards were already recovered and now they are well and healthy.

Around September or October, 1944, when formerly Major A. Irazo came down to the town of Barili to establish his headquarters, the 87th Infantry Regiment, at Dolocboloc, he found me in command of the volunteer guards in the Barili area with my headquarters at LUPO HILL, Guibuangan, near the boundary of Minolos and Maigang. He gave me thanks for my services and with good comments.

During this time the strenght of the volunteer guard of Barili area was as follows:

1-	Eight (8), battallions	
2-	thirty-four (34), companies.	
3-	members:	
(a)	Captains	3
(b)	1st Lieutenants	21
(c)	2nd "	66
(d)	3rd "	136
(e)	Unlisted Men	3,740

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Later on, around November, 1944, the construction works of the headquarters of Lt. Col. A. Irazo at Dolocboloc had been almost complete and I returned to my former area comprising the barrio of Maigang, Minolos, Pacil, Guibuangan, Subbud, Balao, and Pangpang with my headquarters at Lupo Hill as the alternate C. P. and Guibuangan school building along the provincial road and the seashore as the advance command post.

At this time the strenght of my command is 1,844 volunteer guards as follows:

1-	four (4), battallions	
2-	fifteen (15) companies	
3-	members:	
(a)	Regt'l Comdr. as VC-Captain	1
(b)	Staff & Sn. Comdr. as VC-1st Lt.	9
(c)	Sn. Staff & Co. Comdr. as VC-2nd Lt.	33
(d)	Co. Staffs as VC-3rd Lt.	56
(e)	Co. Sgts as 1st Sgts	15
(f)	Pl. Leader as Sgts.	71
(g)	Sqd. Leader as Cpls.	159
(h)	Private First Class	315
(i)	Privates	1,185

In January, 1945, Captain Pantaleon P. Ciano, executive officer of the 87th Infantry Regiment, P. A. and supervisor of the volunteer guard force, 87th Infantry area, during his

inspection and supervision of the volunteer guards in my command,, at a public gathering near my headquarter, he gave his comment in appreciation of our services to the army and the common cause, he says:

"If there is any medal to be given to a hero for services and patriotism, I will give it first to the volunteer guard"

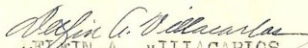
According to a vernacular writer in his book about the guerrilla in Cebu particularly in the 87th infantry area, he says:

"The volunteer guards are the worse enemy according to the Japanese because they are not in uniform and are found surrounding them without being notice of detected by them"

Relevant and supporting papers to substantiate the above history and serving as part of our records can be still found in our file. They are too thick to accompany this reports.

I hope that this history and allied papers serve as a part of your record and that due and immediate attention or consideration be given to our unit to give justice and equity in consonance with the sound principles of democracy.

Respectfully submitted,


EDWIN A. VILLACARIOS
VG-Captain & VG-reg't'l Comdr.
Barili, 3rd Regt.

LAV/am

A F F I D A V I T

I, **FRANQUILINO TABANAG**, upon oath depose and say:

1- That I am of legal age, Filipino, married, residing with postal address at Jones Avenue, City of Cebu, Philippines;

2- That I am captain of the Philippine Army, and during the early part of the Cebu guerrilla activities, world war No. II, I was executive officer to Capt. Marciano Calderon of Southern Cebu sector under sector commander Luis Jakosalem;

3- During this period I knew Delfin Villacarlos wartime resident of the town of Barili;

4- On or about September, 1942, I appointed said Delfin Villacarlos as volunteer guard leader;

5- Upon receiving his authority and appointment, he re-organized the disbanded volunteer guard formerly organized by virtue of Presidential proclamation;

6- Since its organization up to the landing of the Americans for the liberation of Cebu he had the following activities:

a- Procuring and receiving donations from loyal civilians and volunteer guards for the army units, such as cows, pigs, chickens, eggs, rice, corn, root crops, vegetables, fish, etc., and at the latter part tuba for distillery and charcoal, etc.

b- He established market shed, and tuba to secure fund to help support the army units;

c- He kept maintaining peace and order for the population under his area and in all gatherings;

d- He inspect, investigated, strangers, and persons of doubtful characters, to discover cases of enemy penetration and espionage, arrested and committed offenders to army units;

e- He settled cases of minor character criminal and civil;

f- His VGS furnished information regarding enemy troops and movements, make reconnaissance works, building defenses for guerrillero fronts at strategic points;

g- He constructed headquarters, quarters, and posts for the army units and VG posts and guardhouses and command posts;

h- His VGS hauled and transported army units equipments and provisions to facilitate and expedite army movements;

i- He encouraged food production, domestic industry, and commerce between and among army occupied area;

j- He gave safety precaution to civilians in case of enemy mapping operations to exterminate army and volunteer guards;

k- During the enemy occupation and enemy garrisoned at poblacion of Barili and Mumanjug he advised the people not to give comforts or aid to the enemy, even selling food, such as eggs and giving shelter; and he prohibits copra making;

l- He drilled the VGS weekly in order to be ready for any emergency and for army used;

m- In the absence of army unit doctors and hospitals, he

organized ladies loyalty league to treat the wounded by
by native medicine which was effective and the VGS took
care of the casualties;

7- Besides the above-mentioned appointment he was also
appointed by the Barili army unit as principal supervisor
for volunteer guards;

8- That volunteer guard leader and volunteer guard regi-
mental commander are of the same category and both ranks
he continuously held until the liberation of Cebu and thro-
out the world war No. II;

DEPONENT SAYETH NO MORE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name on
this 20th day of June, 1946, in the city of Cebu, Philippines.

Tranquilino Tabasag
TRANQUILINO TABASAG

Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of June,
1946, The affiant exhibited to me his Residence Tax Certifi-
cate No. H-0595763, issued in the City of Cebu, Philippines,
on Feb. 7, 1946.

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UNITED STATES FORCES IN THE PHILIPPINES
CEBU AREA COMMAND
VOLUNTEER GUARD FORCE 3RD REGT. BARILI
87th INFANTRY

EXH ¹⁰ D

27 December 1944

SUBJECT: Strength of VG-Regiment under
VG-Captain Delfin A. Villacarlos, Report of;

TO : CO, 87th Infantry, CAC and
To Whom Concern

Total strenght of VGS in the 3rd Regiment, Barili,
is hereby submitted:

- 1- Four (4) battallions
- 2- Fifteen (15) companies
- 3- Members:
 - (a) Regt'l Comdr. and VG-Captain - ONE (1)
 - (b) " staff and Bn. Comdr. as
VG-1st Lt. - - - - - NINE (9)
 - (c) Bn. Staff and Co. Comdr. as
VG-2nd Lt. - - - - THIRTY-THREE (33)
 - (d) Co. Staff as VG-3rd Lt. - FIFTY-SIX (56)
 - (e) Co. Sgts. as 1st.Sgts. - FIFTEEN (15)
 - (f) Pl. Leader and Sgts. - SEVENTY-ONE (71)
 - (g) Sqd. " " Cpls. * ONE HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE (159)
 - (h) Private First Class * THREE HUNDRED
FIFTEEN (315)
 - (i) Privates ----- ONE THOUSAND ONE
HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE (1,185)

TOTAL - ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR (1,844)

It is hereby certified that the above figure shows
the average strenght of VG-Regiment under my command
throughout the Cebu guerrilla period.

Delfin A. Villacarlos
DELFIN A. VILLACARLOS
VG-Captain & 3rd Regt.
Barili, Commanding

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7/19/45

TO	Date	REMARKS
Knox	7/12	4. m/c
Munit	7/13	4. - If note History of Grla Unit, it is addressed to CG, AFWESPAC and dated 31 July 45. - We were not AFWESPAC at that time, but rather AFPAC APO 501. c/c
Sgt Paris	7/15	Volunteer Guerrilla Force, 3rd Regt Paralel, 87th Inf Arina, Cebu? WCM
ast Murray	7/15	See above unit is not in files CEF
Col Cushing	7/16	My offhand impression is NFC. Can you give me any info? Particularly a ltr stating why the unit should be NFC WCM
Sgt Paris	7/17	H old until decision as to whether or not Grla will be recognized for turning in arms is reached. Col Cushing intends to submit this unit for recognition if the decision is "yes" and has excellent grounds for doing so. WCM (NFC, 15 MAR 46 + statement of appreciation for service)
Capt C	9/26	1-T-5 WCM
trif	9/27	4-T-7 fine
May Murray	9/30	1 and 6 7-1047
Typing	9/30	Put up ltr as indicated T/Sec P WCM
9/30		fine