

WAS ORGANIZATION IN LILOAN, LEYTE

NAME OF UNIT

ESPERANZA B. VELOSO

UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

1. Complaints
2. Investigating Officer's Notes
3. NFC/DL ltr dtd 17 Mar 48

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REMARKS:



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G-3 Form No. 2	HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3 OFFICE RETAINED RECORD			Sequence No.
G-3 File No. GSCPU 091 FT	Date			15 March 48
SUBJECT: Recognition of a WAS organization, Request for				Type of Communication
FROM : Mrs. Esperanza B. Veloso				Letter
FCR ACTION BY:		Concurrences		
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1st Lt George E. Kemper				
Officer Taking Action (and initials)				
Policy	Non-Policy	Recommending Approval		
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(File Symbol)		(Action)		
TO: _____		FCR: _____		
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Lt Col Wallace M. Henes:

1. Basic, letter from Mrs. Esperanza B. Veloso to Hq PHILRYCOM, dtd 14 Feb 48, requesting recognition of a WAS organization in Ilcoan, Leyte.

2. Her request does not comply with the closing date of 15 Mar 46 for the acceptance by this headquarters of unit applications for recognition and therefore cannot be accepted.

1st Lt George E. Kemper

Concur: Capt E. R. Curtis
Chief, Unit Branch

HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

GSCPI 201-

TRAC 70707, (Info) AGO 707

Dear _____
Receipt is acknowledged of your letter, dated _____,
in which you request _____

Individuals requesting recognition as guerrilla casualties are required to submit documentary evidence in so far as possible to substantiate each individual claim, so that proper consideration may be given by this headquarters.

Enclosed herewith is Guerrilla Affairs Division Form No. 2 in triplicate for accomplishment in accordance with attached instruction sheet and letter entitled, "Information Concerning Guerrilla Casualties."

It is suggested that your application be presented with this letter within sixty (60) days from the above date, either in person to the Guerrilla Affairs Division, G-3, this headquarters, located in Building No. T-VII, Philippine University Area, Quezon City, or mailed to the Commanding General, PHILRYCOM, Attention: Guerrilla Affairs Division, APO 707, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Sincerely,

Commanding General
PHILRYCOM

3 Incls:

1. Guerrilla Affairs Division Form #2, in triplicate
2. Instructions for Form #2
3. Information Concerning Guerrilla Casualties.

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PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND

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17 MAR 1948

Mrs. Esperanza B. Veloso
41 General Sepulveda Street
Cebu City, Cebu
Philippines

Dear Mrs. Veloso:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 14 February 1948, requesting recognition of a Women's Auxiliary Service organization (WAS), under your direction in the municipality of Liloan, Leyte.

It is desired to inform you that a special press release from the Public Relations Office, Headquarters, AFWESPAC, dated 1 February 1946, announced the closing date of 15 March 1946 for the acceptance by this headquarters of unit applications for recognition. Inasmuch as this closing date received wide dissemination throughout the Philippines by press, radio and municipal agencies, it is considered that all concerned had ample opportunity to prepare and submit unit applications prior to the announced closing date. Your request for recognition of a WAS organization in Liloan, Leyte, made in your letter of 14 February 1948, fails to comply with the closing date of 15 March 1946 and therefore cannot be accepted.

Sincerely,

R. E. CANTRELL
Capt. AGD
1st Adj Gen

Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

Basic, letter from Mrs. Esperanza B. Veloso to Hq PHILRYCOM, dtd 14 Feb 48, requesting recognition of a WAS organization in Liloan, Leyte.

1st Lt George E. Kemper

Concur: Capt E. R. Curtis
Chief, Unit Branch



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17 March 48

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Tel U 433

41 General Sepulveda St.
Cebu City
February 14, 1948

Headquarters
Philippines Ryukyus Command
EPO 707

Dear Sirs:

Having been reliably informed that your office is extending recognition to WAS (Women's Auxiliary Service) organizations for services rendered in the resistance movement during the Japanese occupation, I have the honor to apply for recognition of the WAS organization which I headed during the Japanese occupation in the Municipality of Liloan, province of Leyte.

In this connection, I wish to state that the WAS organization which I headed was founded a few months before the outbreak of the war on 8 December 1941. It rendered service since then and up to coming of the American liberation forces in Leyte. Never for a moment did it render any service to the enemy or to the puppet government during the Japanese occupation.

However, in view of the fact that the papers of ~~my~~ WAS organization are at present in Leyte, I am unable at this time to furnish you with the list of its members. I assure you that my WAS organization was well known and its services appreciated and recognized by the pioneer guerrilla commanders in southern Leyte like Colonel Ruperto Kangleon, now Secretary of National Defense of the Republic of the Philippines, Major U. C. Francisco of the Visayan Zone Headquarters, PC, Capt. Jose Nazareno, PC, Capt. Sergio Nuique, PC, and others. When the American liberation forces arrived in Leyte on October 20, 1944, it rendered service to the 81st Infantry, USA, to the 17th LWP, SAW 583rd Bn, the 1st Bn, 32nd Infantry, USA.

Thanking you in advance for whatever action you will take on this request for recognition and hoping to be favored with your reply, I remain

Very respectfully,

Esperanza B. Veloso
(Mrs.) ESPERANZA B. VELOSO

4-3, GUERRILLA AFFAIRS DIVISION

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| 1. For approval | 6. Note | 11. Carrier note |
| 2. Remarks | 7. Return | 12. Draft |
| 3. Recommendation | 8. Signature | 13. Memorandum |
| 4. Information | 9. Initials | 14. Indorsement |
| 5. Necessary action | 10. Letter | 15. Additional copies |

TO	DATE	REMARKS
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H Kenyon	2/2/48	no dice
Mrs M	13/3/48	T-10
H Kemper	15/3/48	1-8
Capt Antea	15/3/48	1-8
Col Hanes	15/3/48	1
Capt Curtis	MAR 15 1948	Minor changes.
Mrs W	15/3/48	Retype
Capt Curtis	17/3/48	completed with
Col Hanes	17/3/48	1
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