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Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

- 1. Basic, letter from Mr. Pablo Aguila to GG PHILRYCOM, dated 30 March 48, requesting information regarding action taken on the request for reconsideration of the Batangas Town Bn, AUSA.
- 2. This unit was not favorably considered for recognition by this hq on 28 June 46. Mr. Aguila's request of 11 Jan 47 for reconsideration of this unfavorable decision was accepted by this hq on 7 June 47. No further action was taken. Our reply to Mr. Aguila's letter of 30 March 48 therefore constitutes action on the request for reconsideration of the unit. Throughout the letter of 30 March 48, Mr. Aguila stresses the casualty recognition of Dominador Rivera as being indicative to the action to be taken on his request. Dominador Rivera was recognized independently as a casualty as a member of the Batangas Town Battalion for record purposes only. Par 5 of our letter of recognition of this individual states that the recognition will not be used as a basis for recognition by the remainder of the unit.
- 3. The Batangas Town BN, AUSA, cannot be favorably reconsidered for the following reasons:
- a. The unit claims to have been organized in Sept 42 and to have joined the Batangas Town Guerrillas, FAIT in Oct 44. No evidence was submitted or could be found to substantiate any activity during this period. The unit claims solely to have kept alive the hope of the people in the return of the Americans. However patriotic, this cannot be considered as a basis for recognition.
- b. In Oct 44, when Pablo Aguila joined forces with Anselmo Beredo of the Batangas Town Guerrillas, FAIT, he became his executive officer. The 11th Airborne Div had use for one company of this unit. Anselmo Beredo commanded this company, later recognized, leaving Pablo Aguila discontent with the remaining members. Aguila therefore reformed his Batangas Town En, AUSA, on 30 March 45. At the same time, he went to work for the 592nd angineer Regt as a paid civilian employee, ordering his remaining few men to do likewise.

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This information may be presented personally by you or your representative to the Guerrilla Affrirs Division, G-3, IMILTYCO, located in Building No. T-711, Philiprine University (res, Quezon City; or mailed to the Commanding General, FHILRYCOM, 150-707, c/o Fostmaster, Sen Francisco, California.

Sincerely.

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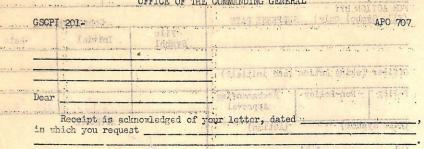
- c. The additional evidence submitted by Mr. Aguila with his request for reconsideration consists of two affidavits. One is signed by Major Ramon Ruffy and the other by Major Florencio Medina, each attempting to establish the claim of Aguila to have commanded 80 men in a battle on Sawang hill, Verde Island on 9 March 1945. The unit has not been able to present any attachment papers from the US Forces under which they claim to have fought.
- d. It is therefore recommended that the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA, be not favorably reconsidered and that this constitute the final determination of and action upon the claim for recognition of this unit.

 1st Lt George E. Hemper

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

HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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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 neadquarters.

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, C-3, this headquarters, located in Building No. T-711, 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,

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Mr. Pablo Aguila Mational Cocomut Corporation 220 Tanduay Manila

Dear Mr. Aguilat

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 30 March 1945, regarding your request for reconsideration of the unfavorable decision rendered by this headquarter on 28 June 1946 on the claim for recognition of the Batengas Town Battalian, AUSA.

Pursuant to your request of 11 January 1947, socepted by this headquarters on 7 June 1947, the recoval of this unit have been reconsidered; a therough review of the supersting papers of this organization and a detailed examination of the additional evidence submitted with your request for reconsideration, together with a carried analysis of all other available information of the activities of your unit from its inception, secutionized in relation to the overall resistance coverence, has again failed to reveal sufficient material to fuffill the requirements of our constant guerrilla mine. The Batangas from Bettalion, AUSA, is therefore not favorably reconsidered for meditation of the original decision of non-recognition crite-

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1st Lt George E. Kemper

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TEL. 8-61-24 P. O. BOX 290

30 March 1948

The Commanding General US Army in the Philippines APO 707

ATTENTION: GUERRILIA AFFAIRS, G-3 SECTION
U. P. SITE, QUEZON CITY

Sir:

While justice delayed is justice denied, permit me to request for action on my petition for reconsideration on the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA, (Army of the United States of America) a guerrilla organization in Batangas, Batangas and of which I am the Commanding Officer.

My request for reconsideration, together with the additional competent evidences, was presented to and accepted by Lt. Col. S. J. Palos of the Guerrilla Affairs, G-3 Section, at U. P. site, Quezon City on January 11, 1947, but until at present no action has been made on it. This shall not imply impatience on our part. We understand the volume of work of the Guerrilla Affairs, G-3 Section, might have caused the inevitable delay.

In this connection, I wish to state that Sgt. Dominador Rivera, a casualty of my command, has been recognized as private a few months ago and definitely specified as a member of the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA. The very evidences which supported his application for recognition are the same evidences of our application for recognition as a guerrilla outfit. While a casualty recognition of a particular unit cannot be used as evidence for the recognition of the entire unit to which he belongs, still, fairness, justice, reason, and human consideration, which the American people are well-known to have in abundance, dictate that it can be used for the recognition of at least that part of the unit with whom the casualty so recognized was wounded in action.

Sgt. Dominador Rivera, having been wounded in action against the Japanese soldiers in Verde Island in between the period from 28 February to March 15, 1945, has been recognized as private. It is but proper that under the same recognized status shall fall the men with whom he fought and who fought with him. It is evident that he did not fight alone. He fought with 79 more of my men under my personal and direct command. It is but fair, just, reasonable, and humanly considerate to recognize the others who were and fought thru the same peril. In the task of determining whether a guerrilla organization is fake or not, we believe that actual combat with enemy is a material evidence by itself.

We have never lost faith in the sense of equality of your command. If for a particular, a guerrilla is recognized, under the same particular, others have to be recognized, or if it is not to be such, what a glaring injustice and inconsistency of decision for the world to know.

NATIONAL COCONUT CORPORATION

CABLE ADDRESS:

220 TANDUAY MANILA, PHILIPPINES

TEL. 8-61-24 P. O. BOX 290

In view of the foregoing considerations, we beg to reiterate our request for reconsideration of our guerrilla unit, the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA.

Respectfully yours,

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G-3, GUERRILLA AFFAIRS DIVISION

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Col G. F. Lillard:

Basic, ltr fr Pablo Aguila to GG, PHILRYCOM, dtd 11 Jan 47, requesting reconsideration of the Batangas Town Battalion.

1st Lt George E. Kemper

Concur: Lt Col S J Palos Chief, Unit Branch HEADQUARTERS

PRILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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7 JUN 1947

Mr. Pable Aguila National Occonut Corporation 220 Tanduay, Manila Philippines

Dear Mr. Aguila:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 11 January 1947, in which you request reconsideration of the unfeverable decision rendered by this headquarters on 28 June 1946 with regard to the request for reconstition of the Batangas form Battalion. This latter was migrouted in this headquarters and has only recently come to our attention. It is regretted if this delay has caused you any inconvenience.

It is the desire of this headquarters to avoid all appearance of arbitrary decisions in the case of claimant guerrilla units. Your request for reconsideration is therefore accepted. It must be emphasized, however, that it would be extremely helpful if you were to forward as quickly as possible such additional pertinent decumentary evidence as has not been submitted previously and which, you feel, reflects favorably upon your claim. Such additional data should be original documents, or photostatic copies of the original documents, or three copies of the original documents, certified to by United States Army officers of field grade on duty with the Guerrilla Affairs Division, G-3 Section, of this headquarters.

Your request for resonsideration will be placed on file in this headquarters to small appropriate action at the earliest practicable time. However, a considerable delay is to be expected before a final decision can be rendered on your organization adnose many claimant guerrilla units remain to be investigated initially and review of rejected units must necessarily follow them.

Sincerely,

THOMAS J. BROWN

CWO, USA ASST ADJ GEN

Col G. F. Lillard:

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1st Lt George E. Kemper

Concur: Lt Col S J Palos Chief, Unit Branch

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National Coconut Corporation
220 Tenduay, Manile
January 11, 1947

The Commanding General United States Army in the Philippines

Sir:

Having been informed that the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA, a guerrilla unit in Batangas, Batangas, under my command, has not been favorably considered for recognition as an element of the Philippine Army due to the fact that its activities has not contributed materially to the defeat of the enemy and that the record of service has not been supported by sufficient evidence, I have tried all my best to find or get in contact with Major Dickerson of the 24th Inf. Div., US Army, under Major General R.B. Woodruff, and 1st It. Kincheloe of the 19th Infantry Regiment, US Army, 21st Inf. Div., with whom I and eighty (80) of my men have fought the Japanese soldiers at Verde Island from 28 February to 15 March 1945, to obtain from them the necessary papers to the effect of the above, but until at present, I have not been able to.

The other course left for me then to do was to find the Filipino Officers who have pertinent knowledge of the fact that we have engaged in activities with the American Liberation Forces that contributed materially to the defeat of the enemy. Being a self-supporting student in the City of Manila with no full time in looking for the necessary competent witnesses, I have been able to find them only a few days ago. Permit me, therefore to present to you now the of affidavits/Majors Ramon Ruffy and Florencio Medina, and reiterating my absolute faith and confidence in the semse of fairness, justice, and consideration of the United States Army, may I beg to request reconsideration of the said unit.

Very respectfully,

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READQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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Mr. Pablo Aguila 28 M. Salvador Street. San Juan, Rizal

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Door Mr. Aguila:

The Batancas Town Bn AUSA" purporting to be a guerrilla organiza-tion under your nesimal control, is not favorably considered for recognition as an element of the Philippine Army.

A set of general requirements for guerrilla recognition, established by General Macarthur during the liberation of the Philippines, has been used as a guide in considering the record of this unit. After careful investigation and full consideration of all available substantiating records and testisony of witnesses having pertinent knowledge, recognition of this guerrilla unit in not deemed to be warranted because of reasons mentioned belows

- a. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field in opposition to the enemy.
- b. Activities of the unit did not contribute materially to the eventual defeat of the enemy.
 - c. A definite organization was not established.
- d. Adequate records were not maintained (names) ranks, dates of enlistment or joining, dates of promotions and necessary related information).
- e. Unit did not show satisfactory continuity of activity and organization.
- f. Record of service was not substantiated by service acceptable evidence.

It is requested that you comply with the provisions of Executive Order Noy68, by the President of the Philippines, dated 26 September 1945, copy attached.

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Lt. Col., H. L. Carnahan

- 1. The "Batangas Town Bn EUSA" consisting of 542 members under the command of Pablo Aguila has not been favorably considered for recognition. No members of this Unit have perviously been recognized.
- 2. Major Ramon Ruffy overall commander of AUSA states that he did not authorize this unit nor was he aware of its existence.
 - 3. Basis for non-recognition.
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22 June 46

In accordance with verbal instruction from Chief of Section, Guerrilla Affairs, G-3 ATLESPAC, Licutenants Leonard J. Aubuchon and Eliseo Sta. Romanz proceeded to Batangas to contact the Batangas Town Bn AUSA" in order to determine whether or not this creanization should be recognized by the United States Army. The following report is a summary of the investigation and basis for recommendation.

HISTORY

The Batanges Town En AUSA" claims to have received authority from Capt Jose Garcia, lisison officer of Major Euffy in Mindoro in Sept 1942 to form a guerrilla unit in Batangas, Batangas under the AUSA overall command. From the time of organization in 1942 until Cct 1944 the history of the Unit is blank as far as activities are concerned. In Oct 1944 this unit underfablo Aguila join ed the Batangas Town Guerrillas FAIT under the command of Anselmo Beredo, and Fablo Aguila become executive officer of that unit.

When the FAIT organization contacted the 11th Airborne Division it was found that the Division could only use one company of the Batangas Town Guerrillas FAIT which company was headed by Anse-

lmo Beredo thus leaving Aguila out of the combat unit.

On 30 March 1945 Fablo Aguila broke relations with Beredo and reformed his Batangas Town Bn AUSA. At this time Fablo Aguila Commending Officer of the Batangas Town Bn AUSA went to work as a paid civilian employee of the Labor Control Office 592 Engineering Boat and Shore Regt and ordered his men to also work for this Regt.

FINDINGS

The following persons are those interviewed by the contact team and their statements are the basis for the findings:

Pablo Aguila -- C6 Batangas Town En AUSA
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Pedro M. Berberabe-- Legal Adviser
Dominador B. Rivera--- Fltn Sgt " " "
Apolinario R. Corpus-- Chief of Police Batangas, Bat.
Anselmo Beredo -- C0 Batangas Town Guerrillas FAIT.
Francisco Medrano -- Ex O " " " "
Gabriel Gomez --- S-2 " " " "
Major Ramon Ruffy -- PA, Overall Commander "AUSA"

Major Ramon Ruffy PA formerly overall commander of AUSA" states the he has no knowledge of the Batangas Town Bn and no authority was given by him to organize such a unit.

This Unit claims to have been organized in Sept 1942, however no evidence was submitted or could be found that the unit existed before 30 March 1945 on which date they seperated from the Batangas Town Guerrillas FAIT. Their sole claim to activity from Sept 1942 to Oct 1944 is that they say they helped to keep alive the hope of the people that the Americans would returned; this activity while patriotic is not considered as a basis of claim for recognition as a guerrilla unit.

In October 1944 this Unit joined the Batangas Town Guerrillas FAIT and from said date until 30 Warch 1945 they were a part of that organization. During this period the unit did not exist as a seperated unit so activities claimed are actually those of the FAIT organization for which activity a Company from the Batangas Town Guerrillas

FAIT was recognized by the 11th Airborne Division.

Anselmo Beredo Former CO of the Fatangas Town Guerrillas FAIT states that when Pablo Aguila left his unit he took only about seventeen men with him and that this group went to work as paid employees of the 592nd Engineering Regt. Anselmo Beredo further states that most of the men Aguila claims were members of FAID and a check of the FAIT roster shows that a great many of Aguila's men also appear in the FAIT roster.

The Batangas Town Bn AUSA under Pablo Aguila did not participate in the liberation. When Aguila left the FAIT unit on 30 March 1945 he went to work for the 592d Eng Regt as a paid civilian employee and he states that he ordered his men also to accept employment by the 592d

Eng. Regt.

It is concluded that the Batangas Town Bn AUSA did not exist as a seperate unit until after 30 March 1945 and that at time the members became paid civilian employees of the 592nd Eng Regt. It is further concluded that though the unit roster contains 542 nemes, most of these men belonged to the Batangas Town Guerrillas FAIT. It is the belief of the investigating officers that Pablo Aguila never had more than fifteen or twenty men in his group when then seperated from the EAIT and that Aguila made up a large roster in an attempt to get recognized in the rank of Major.

POLITICAL ASPECTS

This unit does not appear to have any political affiliations or aspirations/

RECOMMENDATIONS

After careful consideration of the statements made by the present members and an analysis of the documents presented, it is recommended that the "Batangas Town Bn AUSA be not favorably considered for reco nition.

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UNITED STATES AREY PORCES DESTROY PACIFIC OF THE COMMANDING GRANAL

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SUBJECT: Letter of Acknowledgement

10 : Headquarters, Philippine Army, APO 75

 This will acknowledge receipt of letter of request for recognition, allied papers and rosters of the Jatangas form Dm.

2. The letter of recognition allied papers and rosters have been placed in our files pending investigation of this unit.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTERANT GENERAL STYER:

Lt. Col. H. L. Shaftoes

1. The request for recognition, allied papers, and rosters of the Batangas fown Em, has been placed in our files pending investigation by a contact team of this branch.

2: Receipt has been acknowledged to Headquarters Philippine Army.

5 Apr 46 EJN/HLS/

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(ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

BATANCAS TOWN BATTALION

BATANCAS COLMAND

Advised by Major REURO M. BEFREERABE. Judge.

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Advised by Major PEDRO M. BERBERABE, Judge Advocate of

this command on Civil and legal matters.

/ Major PABLO AGUILA Battalion Commander

2Capt. DOMINGO E. BUROG-Executive Officer

3 Capt. ARSENIO S. ESPINO
Battalion S-1 or Adjutant
Personnel-in-charge

/b Gapt. APOLONIO R. CORPUS Battalion S-2 or Intelligence Officer

#1st Lt. ERMESTO PUREZA Asst. Battalion S-1 // lst. Lt. CIPRIANO BARZA Asst. Battalion S-2

Capt MARTO ZAIDE 12
Battalion S-3 or Plans & Training Officer-killed in Action against the Japanese in Verde Island, 9 March, 1945

Dapt. HILARTO B. UNTALAN
Battalion S-4 or Finance &
Supply Officer

List Lt. PEDRO DIMAANO Asst. Battalion 5-3 /3 lst Lt. GREGORIO A. VILLENA Asst. Battalion S-4

14 Capt. ANCEL SERRANO Transportation Officer

7 lst Lt. JUAN R. DIMAANO Medical Officer /51st Lt. FELIPE SERRANO
Public Relations Officer

Detachment, Companies and Respective Commanders

8 Capt. DAVID PARGAS
Bettelion Ecadquarters &
Headquarters Detachment Condr.

/ Capt. ANTONIO UNTALAN Company Commander Co. "A"

9 Capt. JOAQUIN HUGHES Company Commander, Co. "B"

17 1st Lt. BONIFACIO GARCIA Chemical Officer and Liason Detachment Commander

I hereby certify that the above-listed officers are ready for processing upon call.

Bv:

PABLO GUETTILA

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PATAMGAS TOWN BATTALION

Battalion Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment

Capt. DAVID PARGAS Detachment Commander

lst It. NAZARIO DINACUHA Executive Officer

2nd Lt. MAXIM AGUILA 2nd Lt. FELIPE GEROW
Transp. Officer & Platoon Public Relations Officer
Leader

JULIAN AGUILA Master Sergeant

STAFF SARGHANTS CORPORALS

1. Francisco Espino 2. Elpidio Villano 2. Elidido Villano 3. Zacarias Mendoza 4. Cornelio Villena 5. Helecio Aguila 6. Hanuel Aguila 7. Juanito Berberabe 8. Nemesio Marasigan 9. Braulio Carcia 10. Juan Solis 6. Francisco Dimaano 11. Tomas Ebreo 2. Hilario Mercado 2. Hilario Mercado 3. Pablo Berberabe 4. Alfonso Sinera 5. Pedro Alcantara 6. Luis Muñoz 7. Luis Alegada 8. Gregorio Quinio 9. Pedro Quinio

- 1. Alfonso Bisa
 2. Felix Aquino
 2. Teotimo Abreza
 3. Ruperto Liton
 3. Silvestre Alcantara
 4. Treneo Lira
 5. Crispin Arcega
 6. Teotimo Mercado
 7. Dominador Rivera
 8. Sisenando Balmes
 1. Emilio Berberabe
 6. Teotimo Mercado
 7. Termin Caviteño
 8. Eusebio Gonzales

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- 1. Gregorio Villena 2. Eligio Lira 2. Eligio Lira 3. Simeon Villena 3. Erancisco Simera 4. Perfecto Mernandez 4. Donato Berberabe 5. Nacario Mercado 5. Felipe Villena 6. Miguel Alteberas 7. Antonio Salamero 7. Mariano Hernandez 8. Emilio Marquez 8. Pedro Malibiran 9. Andres Berberabe 9. Fabian Espiritu 10. Eugenio Alcantara 10. Pedro Espiritu 11. Arsenio Villena 11. Jose Flores 12. Mariano Galapit 12. Regino Lacsamana

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> DAVID PARCAS Capt. Guerrilla Detachment Commander

VERILIED CORRECT: FABLO ZOUTLA (Major Guerrilla, Bn. Comdr.

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(ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

COMPANY "A" BATANGAS TOWN BN.

Capt. AMONIO UNTALAN Company Commander

1st Lt. ARSENIO DE TORRES
Executive Officer

2nd Lt. PRECILLANO UNTALAN 1st Platoon Leader 2nd Lt. FELINO DELEN 2nd Platoon Leader

2nd Lt. AQUILINO DELEN 3rd Platoon Leader

2. Mess Sgt 3. Supply S	go Dalan (Co. clerk)	8. Pvt. 9. Pvt.	Luis Gayeta (cock) Melchor Amparo (Mesgr.) Segundo Javier (") Eleseo Asi (Burgler) Cirilo Catral (burgler	1
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1st PLATOON

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8. 9. 10.	Pvt. Pvt. Pvt.	Santos Magadia Veronico Arellano Felipe Alegria Victor Comple Lope Asi Isidoro Cortas	8. 9. 10. 11.	Pvt. Pvt. Pvt. Pvt.	Francisco Claveria Silvestre Zara Mariano Zara Inocencio Zara Mario Cruz

3rd SQUAD

2.	Pvt. Pvt.	Francisco Mandigma Mariano Zara Silverio Cueto Marcelo Cos Ventura Almares Eduardo Ronquillo	8. 9. 10.	Pvt. Pvt. Pvt.	Marcos Almares Ambrosio Cortas Pedro Almares Domingo Ronquillo Buenaventura Untalan Sisenando Aguilar

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2nd Platoon Company "A" Cont'd.

2nd PLATOON Staff Sgt. NICOLAS ASI 2nd PLATOON Guide Sgt. JORGE UNTALAN

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2nd SQUAD

1	. Cpl.	Antonio de Torres	1.	Cpl.	Braulio Ramirez
2	. Pvt.	Rufino Amparo	2.	Pvt.	Pascual Zara
3	. Pvt.	Pedro Delen	3.	Pvt.	Victor Delen
4	. Pvt.	Isabelo Asi	40	Pvt.	Sinforoso Zara
5	. Pvt.	Sotero Asi			Eugenio Montalbo
6	. Pvt.	Toedoro Doce	6.	Pvt.	Macario Casao
7	. Pvt.	Felino Aclan	7.	Pvt.	Juan A. de Dorres
8	. Pvt.	Emiterio Aclan	8.	Dvt.	Victor de Torres
9	. Pvt.	Porferio Asi			Maximo Mandigma
10	. Pvt.	Nicolas Asi			Braulio Asi
11	. Pvt.	Pascual Asi			Maximino Magnaye
12	. Pfc.	Vicente Delen	12.	Pfc.	Hospicio Suares

3rd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Mariano del Mundo			Serapio Magnaye
		Hosmundo Montalbo			Nazario Aclan
3.	Pvt.	Ananias Aclan			Jacinto Catral
		Buenaventura Gabia			Eulogio Delen
		Simeon Andal	11.	Pvt.	Leopaddo Almares
		Victoriano Delen	12.	Pfc.	Dalmacio Mandigma

3rd PLATOON

3rd Platoon Staff Sgt. MARTIN MACATANGAY 3rd Platoon Guide Sgt. RAYMUNDO AMPARO

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2nd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Catalino Suares			Paulino Beredo
2.	Pvt.	Engracio Mandigma	2.	Pvt.	Rufino Almares
		Domingo Servan	3.	Pvt.	Graciano Delen
		Jose Almares	40	Pvt.	Benito Magnaye
		Angelito Ramos	5.	Pvt.	Cayetano Bay
		Eusebio Ramos	6.	Pvt.	Mariano Bay
		Euan Cortas	7.	Pvt.	Marto Landicho
		Herminigelão Melo	8.	Pvt.	Jose Mandigma
		Daniel Asi	9.	Pvt.	Francisco Cos
		Juan Almares			Magdaleno Mercado
		Catalino Mandigma	11.	Pyt.	Felix A. Asi
		Arsenio Delen			Dominador Mendoza
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3rd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Zosimo Aclan	7.	Pvt.	Geronimo de Torres
		Geronimo de Mesa	8.	Pvt.	Aquikino Abag
		Leon Velasquez			Sixto Alegria
		Eligio Asi			Agustin Arce
5.	Pvt.	Arcadio Bool			Andres Mandigma
6.	Pvt.	Agustin Bonifacio	12.	Pfc.	Emiliano Buenafe

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VERIFIED CORRECT:

PABLO AGUILA Major, Guerrilla Battalion Commander ANTONIO UNTALAN Capt. Guerrilla Co. "A"



AUSA

(ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

COLPANY "B"

Capt. JOAQUIN HUCHES Company Commander

1st Lt. CIPRIANO AGUILA Executive Officer

and Lt. JOSE SEMANIA 1st Platoon Leader 2nd Lt. CIRIACO BAUSON 2nd Platoon Leader

2nd Lt. CALIXTO BLAY 3rd Platoon Leader

lst Lt. SISEWANDO IBE Transp. Officer

1.	1st Sat. Bernardo de Leon	7.	Pfc.	Francisco Conzales(cook)
	Mess Stt. Emiterio Ramos			Jose Ramos (Messenger)
5.				Vicente Caseda (Messenger
4.	Cpl. Paterno Malabanan (Co.clerk)10,	. Pvt.	. Florencio Gamara (Bugler
	Pfc. Leopoldo Haleon (Co.clerk)	11.	. Pvt.	. Pablo Gutierrez ("
a	Col Canuta Penas (acold)			

lst PLATOON

lst Platoon Staff Sgt. SICTO RATIREZ lst Platoon Guide Sgt. CABRIEL AGUILA

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1.	Cpl.	Eugenio Mendoza			Agapito Ramos
2.	Pyt.	Pedro Ramirez	2.	Pyt.	Eleno Lacsamana
5.	Pyt.	Conrado Villano	- 3.	Pvt.	Dionisio Abad
		Eugenio Camara	4.	Pyt.	Crispin Ramos
5.	Pvt.	Sabas Cueto	5.	Pvt.	Nazario Amposta
6.	Pyt.	Pablo Ramirez			Ambrosio Bonifacio
7.	Pvt.	Crisanto Palbacal	7.	Pvt.	Antonio Gutierrez
8.	Pyt.	Lucio Lacsamana			Melchor Tolentino
9.	Pvt.	Matias Evancelio	9.	Pvd.	Pedro Abel
10.	Pvt.	Francisco Fran	10.	Pvt.	Cenon Parto
11.	Pvt.	Jorge de Guzman			Felix Gutierrez
12.	Pfc.	Francisco Macalalad	12.	Pfc.	Guillermo Gonday

3rd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Pedro Gonday			Ciriaco Caseda
2.	Pyt.	Juan Caseda	8.	Pvt.	Mariano Gonday
3.	Pvt.	Epifanio Gonday	. 9.	Pvt.	Dalmacio Bonifacio
		Donato Bonifacio	10.	Pvt.	Mariano Bonifacio
5.	Pyt.	Macario Mercado	11.	Pvt.	Moises Gutierrez
		Marcelo Ramos	12.	Pfc.	Marcelo Mercado

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2nd PLATOON

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8.	Pvt.	Basilio Culiat		
9.	Pvt.	Rufino Pagcaliwagan Fortunato Agno	9.	Pvt. Eleuterio Montalbo
11.	Pvt.	Juan Bauson		Pvt. Francisco Agno Pvt. Naurecio Plata
		Francisco Pagcaliwagan		Pfc. Daniel Bagsit

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1. Pablo Plata (Cpl.) 2. Pvt. Fulgencio Pagcaliwagan 5. Pvt. Antonio Plata 4. Pvt. Francisco Plata 5. Pvt. Juan Agon 6. Pvt. Lauro Cherigo	7. Pvt. Esteban Norica 8. Pvt. Codofredo Pacaliwasan 9. Pvt. Kariano Delisay 10. Pvt. Zoilo Pleta 11. Pvt. Lucio Agon 12. Pfc. Juan Paneligan
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3rd PLATOON

Srd Platoon Staff Sgt. VICTORING RAIREZ Srd Platoon Guide Sgt. AVELING MERCADO

1st SQUAD

2nd SQUAD

		Francisco Garcia Roberto Castillo			Angel Ramirez Mariano Ebora
		Catalino Macalalad			Germinigildo Ebora
4.	Pvt.	Miguel Comia			Pablo Comia
		Anastacio Beredo			Gavino Cabatay
		Damaso Landicho	6.	Pvt.	Rufino Culla
		Luciano Ebora	7.	Pvt.	Juan Zapata
		Edilberto Zapata	8.	Pvt.	Anacleto Culla
		Florencio Culla	9.	Pvt.	Serapio Lumanglas
		Luis Lendoza	10.	Pyt.	Fermin Cena
		Francisco Mercado	11.	Pvt.	Felix Mendoza
12.	Pfc.	Luis Blay	12.	Pfc.	Lucio Garcia

3rd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Igmedio Culla	7.	Pvt. Manuel Claveria
		Cayetano Mendoza	8.	Isidoro Esguerra (Pvt.)
		Bartolome Mendoza		Pvt. Felipe Ebora
		Carlos Ebora		Pvt. Pio Ramirez
		Domingo Catapans		Pvt. Bernardo Ramirez
6.	Pvt.	Manuel Blay	12.	Pfc. Igmedio Culla

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VERIFIED CORRECT: '

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Major Guerrilla

Bettalion Commander

Capt. JOAQUIN HUCHES Company Commander

AUSA

(ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

BATANGAS TOWN BATTATTON

LIASON DETACHMENT & SPECIAL SERVICE TROOPS

1st Lieut. BONIFACIO GARCIA Detachment Commander and Chemical Officer

2nd Lieut. VICENTE FORTUNATO Executive Officer

1. Technical Sergeant Juan C. Perez 2. Technical Sergeant Bernardo Argente

3. Sgt. Macario Arellano

4. Sgt. Crisanto Ramos 5. Cpl. Juan Soriano 6. Cpl. Perpetuo Plata

7. Cpl. Marcelino Valencia

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8. Cpl. Ambrocio Belela
9. Pvt. Jacinto Arellano
10. Pvt. Simeon Arellano
11. Pvt. Esteban Caraig
12. Pvt. Modesto Catilo
13. Pvt. Pedro Como
14. Pvt. Arsenio Valdez
15. Pvt. Lorenzo Bauan
16. Pvt. Loreto Gool
17. Pvt. Sixto Como

17. Pyt. Sixto Como 18.Pyt. Antero Malabanan

19. Technical Sergeant Martin Gutierrez 20. Technical Sergeant Anacleto Ramos

21. Sgt. Pedro Marcial

21. Sgt. Pedro Marcial
22. Sergeant Antonio Abag
25. Cpl. Hilarion Baler
24. Cpl. Nemesio Barza
25. Pvt. Silvino Muñoz
26. Pvt. Teodoro Muñoz
27. Pvt. Vitaliano Barza
28. Pvt. Pablo Amposta
29. Pvt. Trineo Palbacal
30. Genero Gutierrez (Pvt.)
31. Pvt. Gregorio Ramos

31. Pvt. Gregorio Ramos 32. Pvt. Ciriaco Alcantara

53. Pvt. Aristotle Dimano 54. Pvt. Luis Gutierrez 55. Pvt. Manuel Gutierrez 56. Pvt. Vivencio Magadia

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BONTFACIO CARCIA VICENTE FOR TONATO 1st Lt., Guerrilla 2nd Lt., Guerrilla Det Comdr. Ex. 0

Major Guerrilla Battalion Commander

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HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINE ARMY, APO 75

12 March 46

TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, AFWESPAC, APO 707 (Attn: PA Section)

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF;

Colonel, AGS MAR The Adjutant General,

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Commonwealth of the Philippines Department of National Defense Manila

2nd Indor sement March 12, 1946

Respectfully referred to the Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, Manila.

It is requested that appropriate action be taken to facilitate the early recognition of the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA, Guerrilla Unit.

For the Secretary:

Acting Administrative officer

1st Indorsement Manila, March 12, 1946

Respectfully referred to the Honorable, the Secretary of National Defense, Manila, requesting appropriate action.

to the President

AUSA (Army of the United States of America) BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION



Battalion Headquarters

6 March 1946

SUBJECT: SUBMISSION OF PAPERS & REQUEST FOR REGOGNITION

TO : The Commanding General, AFWESPAC

- 1. Submitting herewith the list of officers and men of a our guerrilla Battalion known as the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA (Army of the United States of America) and patterned after the AUSA forces in Mindoro having contacted the Officers, thereat, as Major Ramon Ruffy, Captains Jose Garcia, Medina and Francisco, from whom we have taken advices for our organization.
- 2. Attached also hereto are "Recommendation for Recognition" by Major Andres R. Aglugub, Infantry, 0-42130, of Headquerters, 4th Replacement Battalion, PA, APO 75, a sworn affidavit of mine in lieu of pertinent papers, letters of Sgts. Dominador Rivera and Sesinando Balmes, who have been seriously wounded under my command in an action against the Japs in Sawang Hill, Verde Island, on 9 March 1945, and were then taken to an Army Hospital at Leyte, and a letter from 1st Lt. JOHN J. KENTZEL, of Co. "E" 592nd Engineering Boat and Shore Regiment, Beach Labor Control Office, and a brief history of our unit.
- 3. Requesting recognition of our guerrilla organization,
 Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA, and hoping your kind consideration
 on the matter.

Major, Guerrilla Battalion Commander

AUSA

(ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AVERTCA)

BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

BRIEF HISTORY

With the belief that it is heaven to live in a democracy and hell to suffer in a monarchy because in a monarchy, when the leader misrules, he changes the people, but in a democracy when the leader misrules, the people changes him, I invited on June, 1942, Mayor Pedro M. Berberabe and Chief of Police, Domingo E. Burog, both of whom did refuse to work under the Japanese administration, to help me organize a guerrilla organization in this locality that will day by day instill in the hearts of the people the value of freedom which day by day also is being trampled by the Japanese tyrant. They did accept my invitation.

After constant campaign of the local population, a battalion of guerrillas was organized on September, 1942, and since then has been known as the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA (ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF ADERICA), the organization which has never surrendered and will never surrender to the enemy at least for the very name that it carries. There is no God who can forgive a man who breaks the law of the sincerest signs of gratitude. We are grateful to America for what she has given us and will give us in the days to come is perhaps suffice to say. The organization has adopted its name hereto mentioned acting upon the advices of Major Ramon Ruffy, Capt. Jose Garcia, Capt. Florencio Medina, and Capt. Francisco, superior officers of the guerrilla forces in Mindoro known as the AUSA, and with whom we have had constant contacts. Outstanding of all is our belief that we will be fighting for a very noble cause and that America will return to liberate the Philippines.

During all those days of anxious waiting for our liberation and dreamed of time to strike at the devilish foe, the organization has kept aflame in the hearts of the people their faith in liberty and America.

And there was another guerrilla organization, a very noble one in this locality under the command of Liett. Colonal Anselmo Beredo, who during the month of October, 1944, invited the undersigned to join forces with him. Believing that there will be strength in the union of our forces, much more when the time to strike at the enemy is at hand, I did and acted; as his Executive Officer with my same rank as Major.

Together, we looted Japanese Arms in the Batangas Trade School on 14 January 1945, captured two Japanese soldiers at the barrio of Binotbot-Haligue, Batangas, Batangas and forwrded them to the Commanding Officer of the American Liberating Forces in Mindoro on January 27, 1945, fought in Verde Island against the Japs from 28 February 1945 to 15 March, 1945 and were able to wipe out the enemy, on account of which I was awarded by Major DICKERSON OF THE UNITED STATES ARTY, 24th INMANTRY DIVISION, a major's insignia and a silver star. Upon return to Batangas, Batangas, after the Verde Island campaign, weemaintained contact with Major SCHLOTH of the GUERRILLA HEAD-QUARTERS, 11th AIRBORNE DIVISION, UNITED STATES ARMY, and knowing from him that only those with arms in our united Regiment of guerrillas which was but a company, will be attached for duty with the 11th Airborne Division and some other United States Army Units, I broke relations with Lt. ol. Anselmo Beredo's command on 30 March 1945 and resigned as his Executive Officer and S-1 and commanded again my Battalion of guerrillas, AUSA, Batangas Town Battalion. I could not have myself processed and receive benefits alone leaving my men behind me when they and we together have suffered the same hardships for the cause.

I then attached myself for duty with the Beach Labor Control Office, 592nd Engineering Boat and Shore Regiment, under lst Lt. John J. Kentzel of Co. "E", same Regiment, and ordered my officers and men of the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA, to furnish labor to the United States Army which was then urgently needed that time.

UNTIL at present, the officers and men of the Batangas
Town Battalion, AUSA, are doing their respective bit under
the United States Army and the Commonwealth Government of
the Philippines.

Hoping then for the recognition of our outfit, we beg to remain,

FOR THE BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION, AUSA:

Major, Guerrilla Battalion Commander





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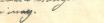
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BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

BATTALION HEADQUARTERS

13 March 1946

SUBJECT : INFORMATION AND

: ADDITIONAL SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

TO : TH

: THE COMMANDING GENERAL, AFWESPAC

1. Informing you of the fact that the original copy of the attached hereto papers which consists of a brief history of our unit, list of officers and men, a sworn affidavit of mine in lieu of pertinent papers, a letter of Major Andres R. Aglugub, Infantry, 0-42130, of Headquarters, 4th Replacement Battalion, PA, APO 75, recommending the recognition of our unit, and a letter from 1st Lt. JOHN J. KENTZEL, of Co. "E" 592nd Engineering Boat and Shore Regiment, Beach Labor Control/ Office to the effect that I have been on duty with his outfit from 1 April 1945 to 30 April 1945, have been indorsed for appropriate action to the Secretary of Mational Defense, Manila, by the Secretary of the President of the Philippines, as of record No. 980.6 in the Office of the President of the Philippines, Malacañan Palace, and then indorsed by the Department of National Defense to the Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, requesting help to facilitate the early recognition of our Guerrilla Organization known as the "AUSA", Batangas Town Battalion, as of record No. 370.64 in the Department of National Defense, and which original copy will be indorsed to HEADQUARTERS, AFWESPAC, from HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINE ARMY.

- 2. Submitting also a record of our achievements.
- 3. Requesting for recognition and hoping for your kind consideration on the matter, we remain

FOR THE BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION, AUSA:

PABLO AZULKA Major, Guerrilla Battalion Commander

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES) S.S. PROVINCE OF BATANGAS MUNICIPALITY OF BATANGAS

AFFIDAVIT

I, PABLO AGUILA, Filipino, of legal age, married, and a resident of Batangas, Batangas, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law, depose and say:

That as a Major of the Guerrillas of Batangas, Batangas, I, together with my men, helped in the liberation of Verde Island with Major DICKERSON of the 24th Inf. Division, United States Army, Major Ramon Ruffy, then Commanding Of-ficer of the Provisional Battalion, Mindoro Force, and Lt. KINCHELOE of "D" Comapny, 19th Infantry Regiment, 21st Infantry Division, U. S. Army, from 28 February 1945 to 15 March of same year;

That two of my Sergeants, Dominador Rivera and Sisenando Balmes were badly hurt and taken to a United States Army Hospital in Leyte, and my Battalion S-3 or Plans and Training Officer, Capt. Mario Zaide, was killed in action against the Japs in Sawang Hill, Verde Island, on 9 March 1945;

That because of the above mentioned circumstances, I have been awarded Major Insignia and a silver star by the said Major DICKERSON and given by Major Ramon Ruffy a certificate of recommendation and acknowledgement of the services and assistance I and my men have rendered them;

That upon return to Batangas, Batangas, with my men on the 16th day of March, 1945, I presented my credentials and said certificate of Major Ramon Ruffy to Major DAY of the 2nd Battalion, 158th Infantry Regiment, U. S. Army, who then has newly liberated the said town and he had us attached to his out-fit for duty but because of his immediate departure from this town for some mission, I was not able to ask him for any certificate regarding our attachement, neither, if I requested him for the return of our certificate of recommendation for recognition as Guerrillas from Major Ramon Ruffy of Mindoro, which I find now to be essential in our desire to be recognized as such;

That this affidavit is being made to establish the above-mentioned facts with the full knowledge that I will be guilty of perjury in case I misrepresent them.

FURTHER affiant sayeth none. Batangas, Batangas, March 6, 1946.

> (SGD.) PABLO AGUILA Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of March, 1946, affiant exhibiting his residence certificate No. A-52113 issued at Batangas, Batangas, on January 2, 1946.

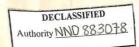
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(SGD.) ELISEO M. ZAGALA Acting Justice of the Peace Notary Public ex-officio Capital of Batangas

A TRUE COPY:

Major, Guerrilla

Bn. Comdr., AUSA, Batangas Town Battalion



AUSA

(ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

BRIEF HISTORY

With the belief that it is heaven to live in a democracy and hell to suffer in a monarchy because in a monarchy, when the leader misrules, he changes the people, but in a democracy when the leader misrules, the people changes him, I invited on June, 1942, Mayor Pedro M. Berberabe and Chief of Police, Domingo E. Burog, both of whom did refuse to work under the Japanese administration, to help me organize a guerrilla organization in this locality that will day by day instill in the hearts of the people the value of freedom which day by day also is being trampled by the Japanese tyrant. They did accept my invitation.

After constant campaign of the local population, a battalion of guerrillas was organized on September, 1942, and since then has been known as the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA (ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA), the organization which has never surrendered and will never surrender to the enemy at least for the very name that it carries. There is no God who can forgive a man who breaks the law of the sincerest signs of gratitude. We are grateful to America for what she has given us and will give us in the days to come is perhaps suffice to say. The organization has adopted its name hereto mentioned acting upon the advices of Major Ramon Ruffy, Capt. Jose Garcia, Capt. Florencio Medina, and Capt. Francisco, supperior officers of the guerrilla forces in Mindoro known as the AUSA, and with whom we have had constant contacts. Outstanding of all is our belief that we will be fighting for a very noble cause and that America will return to liberate the Philippines.

During all those days of anxious waiting for our liberation and dreamed of time to strike at the devilish foe, - 2 -

the organization has kept aflame in the hearts of the people their faith in liberty and America.

And there was another guerrilla organization, a very noble one in this locality under the command of Lieut. Colonel Anselmo Bersdo, who during the month of October, 1944, invited the undersigned to join forces with him. Believing that there will be strength in the union of our forces, much more when the time strike at the enemy is at hand, I did and acted as his Executive Officer with my same rank as Major.

Together, we looted Japanese Arms in the Batangas Trade School on 14 January 1945, captured two Japanese soldiers at the barrio of Binotbot-Haligue, Batangas, Batangas, and forwarded them to the Commanding Officer of the American Liberating Forces in Mindoro on January 27, 1945, fought in Verde Island against the Japs from 28 February 1945 to 15 March, 1945 and were able to wipe out the enemy, on account of which I was awarded by Major DICKERSON OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY, 24th INFANTRY DIVISION, a Major's Insignia and a silver star. Upon return to Batangas, Batangas, after the Verde Island campaign, was maintained contact with Major SCHLOTH of the GUERRILLA HEAD-QUARTERS, 11th AIRBORNE DIVISION, UNITED STATES ARMY, and knowing from him that only those with arms in our united Regiment of guerrillas which was but a company, will be attached for duty with the 11th Airborne Division and some other United States Army Units, I broke relations with Lt. Col. Anselmo Beredo's command on 30 March 1945 and resigned as his Executive Officer and S-1 and commanded again my Battalion of guerrillas, AUSA, Batangas Town Battalion. I could not have myself processed and receive benefits alone leaving my men behind me when they and we together have suffered the same hardships for the cause.

I then attached myself for duty with the Beach Labor Control Office, 592nd Engineering Boat and Shore Regiment, under lst Lt. JOHN J. KENTZEL of Co. "E", same Regiment, and ordered my officers and men of the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA, to furnish labor to the United States Army which was then urgently needed that time.

UNTIL at present, the officers and men of the Batangas
Town Battalion, AUSA, are doing their respective bit under
the United States Army and the Commonwealth Government of
the Philippines.

Hoping then for the recognition of our outfit, we beg

FOR THE BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION, AUSA:

(SGD.) PABLO AGUTLA Major, Guerrilla Battalion Commander

A TRUE COPY:

TABLO AGUIZA Major, Guerrilla Battelion Commander

AUSA

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BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

BATTALION HEADQUARTERS

RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENTS

- Burning of two Japanese airplanes at Batangas Cadre, Batangas, Batangas, on July 11, 1944.
- 2. Robbing enemy supplies (rice and gasoline) at Batangas Cadre, Batangas, Batangas, on July 15, 1944.
- Burning of Japanese Barracks in Batangas, Batangas, on September 2, 1944.
- 4. Robbing Japanese arms in the Batangas Trade School, Batangas, Batangas, on January 14, 1945.
- 5. Killing two Japanese soldiers in barrio Bilogo, Batangas, Batangas, on January 19, 1945.
- 6. Capturing two Japanese soldiers in barrio Binotbot-Haligue, Batangas, Batangas, end forwarding them to the Commanding Officer, American Liberating Forces, in Mindoro on January 27, 1945.
- 7. Allocating Japanese positions, arms, and number, and sending the corresponding intelligence reports to Major General R. B. WOODRUFF, Commanding General of the 24th Infantry Division, United States Army, Mindoro, February 1-28,1945.
- 8. Fighting in Verde Island from 28 February 1945 to March 15, 1945, against the Japs thereat and wipping out the enemy.
- Working with Major DAY of the 2nd Battalion, 158th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, in Batangas, Batangas, in March, 1945.
- 10. Working with Lt. JOHN J. KENTZEL of Company "E", 592nd Engineering Shore and Boat Regiment, Beach Labor Control Office from April 1 to April 30, 1945.

Major, Guerrilla Battalion Commander

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BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

BATANGAS COMMAND

Advised by Major BEERO M. BERBERABE, Judge Advocate of

this command on Civil and legal matters.

Major PABLO AGUILA Battelion Commander

Capt. DOMINGO E. BURGG Executive Officer

Capt. AMSENIO S. ESPINO Battalion S-1 or Adjutant Personnel-in-charge

lst Lt. ERNESTO PUREZA Asst. Battelion S-1

Capt MARIO ZAIDE
Battalion S-3 or Plans &
Training Officer-killed in
Action against the Japanese
in Verde Island, 9 March, 1945

1st Lt. FEDRO DIMAANO Asst. Battalion 3-3 Capt. APOLONIO R. CORPUS Battalion S-2 or Intellisence Officer

1st. Lt. CIPRIANO BARZA Asst. Bettelion S-2

Capt. HILARIO B. UNTALAN Battalion S-4 or Finance & Supply Officer

1st Lt. GREGORIO A. VILLENA Asst. Battalion S-4

Capt. ANGEL SERRANO Transportation Officer

1st Lt. JUAN R. DIMAANO Medical Officer 1st Lt. FELIPE SERRANO Public Relations Officer

Detachment, Companies and Respective Commanders

Capt. DAVID PARGAS
Battelion Headquarters &
Headquarters Detachment Comdr.

Company Commander Co. "A"

Capt. JOAQUIN HUGHES Company Commander, Co. "B" 1st Lt. BONTFACTO GARCIA Chemical Officer and Liason Detachment Commander

I hereby certify that the above-listed officers are ready for processing upon call.

By:

Major Guerrilla Battalion Commander

PA/ase.

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BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

Battelion Headquarters and Headquarters Detschmen t

> Capt. DAVID PARGAS Detachment Commander

1st Et. NAZARIO DIMACUHA Executive Officer

and Lt. MAXIMO AGUILA Transp. Officer & Platcon Leader

2nd Lt. FELIPE GERON Public Relations Officer

GORPORALS

1. Tomas Ebreo

2. Hilario Mercado

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

1. Emilio Berberabe 2. Testimo Abreza 3. Silvestre Alcantara 4. Moises Alcentara 5. Pedro A. Berberabe 6. Emilio C. Berberabe

TULIAN ACHILLA Master Sergeant

- 1. Francisco Espino 2. Elpidio Villano

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 2. Ellario Mercado
 3. Zacarias Mendoza
 4. Cornelio Villena
 5. Melecio Aguila
 6. Manuel Aguila
 7. Juanito Berberabe
 7. Luis Alegada
 8. Nemesio Marasigan
 9. Braulio Carcia
 9. Pedro Guinio
 10. Juan Solis
 2. Hilario Mercado
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 3. Pablo Berberabe
 4. Alfonso Simera
 5. Pedro Alcantara
 6. Luis Muñoz
 7. Luis Alegada
 8. Gragorio Guinio
 9. Pedro Guinio
 10. Francisop Dimaano
- 10. Juan Solis

SERGE ANTS

- 1. Alfonso Bise 2. Felix Aquino 5. Ruperto Liton 4. Ireneo Lira
- 5. Crispin Arcega
- 6. Teotimo Mercado 7. Deminador Rivers 8. Sisemendo Balmes

RPIVATES

- 1. Gregorio Villena 2. Ignacio Mendoza 3. Simeon Villena 4. Perfecto Hernandez 5. Macario Mercado 6. Miguel Alteberes

- 7. Antonio Salamero 8. Mailio Marquez
- 9. Andres Berberabe
- 10. Eugenio Alcantera 11. Arsenio Villena
- 12. Mariano Calapit

- 1. Adriano Calapit 2. Eligio Lira

7. Fermin Caviteño 8. Eugebio Conzeles

- 3. Francisco Simera
- 4. Donato Berberabe 5. Felipe Villena
- 6. Paulino Alcantara 7. Mariano Hernandez
- 8. Pedro Malibiran
 - 9. Fabian Espiritu
- 10. Pedro Espiritu 11. Jose Flores 12. Regino Lacsemena

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> DAVID PARGAS Capt. Guerrilla Detachment Commander

VERIFE COMMECT.

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BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

COMPANY "A" BATANGAS TOWN BN. .

Capt. ANYONIO UNTAIAN M Company Commander

> 1st Lt. ARSENIO DE TORRES Executive Officer

2nd Lt. PRECILLANO UNTALAN 1st Platoon Leader

2nd Lt. FELINO DELEN 2nd Platoon Leader

2nd Lt. AQUILINO DELEN 3rd Platoon Leader

1. lst. Sgt. Pelagio Callao 7. Pfc. Luis Gayeta (cook)
2. Mess Sgt. Agustin Ingay 8. Pvt. Nelchor Amparo (Mesgr.)
3. Supply Sgt. Igmedio de Torres 9. Pvt. Segundo Javier (")
4. Cpl. Diego Delen (Co. clerk) 10. Pvt. Eleseo Asi (Burgler)
5. Pfc. Andres Almares (Co. clerk)11. Pvt. Cirilo Catral (burgler)

1st PLATOON

1st Platoon Staff Sgt. AURELIO ASI 1st Platoon Guide Sgt. PABLO MAGBUHOS

1st SQUAD

2nd SQUAD

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1.	Cpl.	Anselmo Delen	1. 0	p1.	Gregorio Aguilar
2.	Pvt.	Eustaquio Delen	2. P	vt.	Agapito de Torres
3.	Pvt.	Tiburcio de Torres	3. P	vt.	Felix de Torres
4.	Pvt.	Jose de Torres	4. P	vt.	Francisco Almares
5.	Pvt.	Bartolome Asi	5. P	vt.	Pablo Deguito
6.	Pvt.	Florencio Alegria	6. P	vt.	Santos Macatangay
7.	Pvt.	Santos Magadia	7. P	vt.	Santos Almares
8.	Pvt.	Veronico Arellano	8. P	vt.	Francisco Claveria
9.	Pvt.	Felipe Alegria	9. P	vt.	Silvestre Zara
10.	Pvt.	Victor Comple	10. P	vt.	Mariano Zara
11.	Pvt.	Lope Asi	11. P	vt.	Inocencio Zara
12.	Pfc.	Isidoro Cortas	12. P.	fe.	Mario Cruz

3rd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Francisco Mandigma		7.	Pvt.	Marcos Almares
2.	Pvt.	Mariano Zara		8.	Pvt.	Ambrosio Cortas
3.	Pvt.	Silverio Cueto		9.	Pvt.	Pedro Almares
40	Pvt.	Marcelo Cos		10.	Pvt.	Domingo Ronquillo
5.	Pvt.	Ventura Almares	1	11.	Pvt.	Buenaventura Untalan
6.	Pvt.	Eduardo Ronquillo	1	12.	Pfc.	Sisenando Aguilar

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2nd Platoon Company "A" Cont'd.

2nd PLATOON Staff Sgt. NICOLAS ASI 2nd PLATOON Guide Sgt. JORGE UNTALAN

1st SQUAD

2nd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Antonio de Torres Rufino Amparo			Braulio Ramirez
3.	Pvt.	Pedro Delen	3.	Pvt.	Pascual Zara Victor Delen
5.	Pvt.	Isabelo Asi Sotero Asi	4.	Pvt.	Sinforoso Zara Eugenio Montalbo
		Toedoro Doce Felino Aclan	6.	Pvt.	Macario Casao Juan A. de Torres
8.	Pvt.	Emiterio Aclan	8.	Dvt.	Victor de Torres
10.	Pvt.	Porferio Asi Nicolas Asi			Maximo Mandigma Braulio Asi
12.	Prt. Pfc.	Pescual Asi Vicente Delen			Maximino Magnaye Hospicio Suares

3rd SQUAD

1.	Col.	Mariano del Mundo	7.	Dut	Serapio Magnaye
		Hosmundo Montalbo			Nazario Aclan
		Ananias Aclan			Jacinto Catral
		Buenaventura Gabia			Eulogio Delen
5.	Pvt.	Simeon Andal			Leophido Almares
6.	Pvt.	Victoriano Delen			Dalmacio Mandigma

3rd PLATOON

3rd Platoon Staff Sgt. MARTIN MACATANGAY 3rd Platoon Guide Sgt. RAYMUNDO AMPARO

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	Juan Almares			Magdaleno Mercado
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Major, uerrilla
Bettalion Commander

ANTONIO UNTALAN Capt. Guerrilla Co. "A"

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BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION

COMPANY "B"

Capt. JOAQUIN HUCHES Company Commander

1st Lt. CIPRIANO AGUILA Executive Officer

and Lt. Jose semaña 1st Platoon Leader

and Lt. CIRIACO BAUBON 2nd Platoon Leader

and Lt. CALINTO BLAY 3rd Platoon Leader

1st Lt. SISENANDO IBE Transp. Officer

1. lst Sgt. Bernardo de Leon
2. Mess Sgt. Emiteiño Ramos (8. Pvt. Jose Ramos (Messenger)
3. Supply Sgt. Jose Trillanes (9. Pvt. Vicente Caseda (Messenger)
4. Cbl. Paterno Malabanan (Co.clerk) 10. Pvt. Florencio Gamara (Bugler)
5. Pfc. Leopoldo Halcon (Co.clerk) 11. Pvt. Pablo Gutierrez (9)
6. Cpl. Canuto Ramos (cook)

1st PLATOON

lst Platoon Staff Sgt, SIXTO RAMIREZ lst Platoon Guide Sgt, GABRIEL AGUILA

1st SQUAD

and SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Eugenio Mendoza	1.	Cpl.	Agapito Ramos
		Pedro Ramirez	2.	Pvt.	Eleno Lacsamana
		Conrade Villano	3.	Pvt.	Dionisio Abad
		Eugenio Camara	4.	Pvt.	Crispin Ramos
		Sabas Cueto	5.	Pvt.	Nazario Amposta
		Pablo Ramirez	6.	Pvt.	Ambrosio Bonifacio
		Crisanto Palbacal	7.	Pvt.	Antonio Gutierrez
		Lucio Lacsamana	8.	Pvt.	Melchor Tolentino
		Matias Evangelio			Pedro Abel
		Francisco Fran			Cenen Parto
		Jorge de Guzman			Felix Gutierrez
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		Juan Caseda	8.	Pvt.	Mariano Gonday
		Epifanio Gonday	9.	Pvt.	Dalmacio Bonifacio
		Donato Bonifacio	10.	Pvt.	Mariano Bonifacio
		Macario Mercado	11.	Pvt.	Moises Gutierrez
		Marcelo Ramos	12.	Pfc.	Marcelo Mercado

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COMPANY "B" BATANGAS TOWN BATTALION, AUSA Con'td.

2nd PLATOON

2nd Platoon Staff Sgt. WIDERICO BAUSON 2nd Platoon Guide Sgt. CLARO GONZALES

1st SQUAD

2nd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Pedro Guda	1.	Cnl.	Gerardo Cantos
2.	Pvt.	Gelasio Goda	2.	Put:	Diego Pagcaliwagan
3.	Pvt.	Pedro Kalaw	5.	Pvt.	Luis Bagsit
4.	Pvt.	Esteben Bagui			Emilio Cometa
5.	Pvt.	Celestino Macatangay			Lucas Macatangay
6.	Pvt.	Alepio Clemeno	6.	Pyt.	Brigido Macatangay
7.	Pvt.	Paulino Plata			Maximo Plata
8.	Pvt.	Basilio Culiat	8.	Pvt.	Feliciano Plata
9.	Pyt.	Rufino Pagealiwagan	9.	Pyt.	Eleuterio Montalbo
10.	Pvt.	Fortunato Agno	10.	Pyt.	Francisco Agno
11.	Pvt.	Juan Bauson			Maurecio Plata
12.	Pfc.	Francisco Pagcaliwagan	12.	Pfc.	Daniel Bassit

3rd SQUAD

1.	Pablo Plata (Cpl.)	7. Pvt. Esteban Noriega
2.	Pvt. Fulgencio Pagcaliwagan	8. Pvt. Godofredo Pagcaliwagan
3.	Pvt. Antonio Plata	9. Pvt. Mariano Dalisay
4.	Pvt. Francisco Plata	10. Pyt. Zoilo Plata
5.	Pvt. Juan Agon	11. Pvt. Lucio Agon
6.	Pvt. Lauro Clerigo	12. Pfc. Juan Panaligan

3rd PLATOON

Srd Platoon Staff Sgt. VICTORING RAMIREZ Srd Platoon Guide Sgt. AVELING MERCADO

1st SQUAD

2nd SQUAD

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70	obr.	Francisco Garcia	Lo	CDT.	Angel Ramirez
2.	Pvt.	Roberto Castillo	2.	Pvt.	Mariano Ebora
		Catalino Macalalad			Germinigildo Ebora
		Miguel Comia			Pablo Comia
5.	Pvt.	Anastacio Beredo			Gavino Cabatay
		Damase Landicho	6.	Pyt.	Rufino Culla
7.	Fvt.	Luciano Ebora	7.	Pvt.	Juan Zapata
8.	Pvt.	Edilberte Zapata	8.	Pvt.	Anaolete Culla
9.	Pyt.	Florencio Culla	9.	Pvt.	Serapic Lumanglas
10.	Pvt.	Luis Mendoza	10.	Pyt.	Fermin Cena
11.	Pvt.	Francisco Mercado			Felix Mendoza
12.	Pfc.	Luis Blay			Lucio Garcia

3rd SQUAD

1.	Cpl.	Igmedio Culla	7.	Pvt. Manuel Claveria
2.	Pvt.	Cayetano Mendoza		Isidoro Esguerra (Pvt.)
3.	Pvt.	Bartolome Mendoza		Pvt. Felipe Ebora
4.	Pvt.	Carlos Ebora	10.	Pvt. Pio Ramirez
		Domingo Catapang	11.	Pvt. Bernardo Ramirez
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VERIFIED CORPECT:

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Major Guerrilla

Bettalion Commander

Capt. JOAQUIN HUGHES Company Commander



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BATANGAS TOWN BATTALTON

LIASON DETACHMENT & SPECIAL SERVICE TROOPS

1st Lt. BONIFACIO GARCIA Detachment Commander and Chamical Officer

and Lt. VICENTE FORTHATO Executive Officer

1. Technical Sgt. Juan C. Peres 2. Technical Sgt. Bernardo Argente 5. Sgt. Crisanto Ramos

4. Sgt. Macario Arellano

5. Cpl. Juan Soriano 6. Cpl. Perpetuo Pleta 7. Cpl. Marcelino Valencia 8. Cpl. Ambrosio Belela

9. Pvt. Jacinto Arellano 10. Pvt. Simeon Arellano

11. Pvt. Esteban Caraia 12. Pvt. Modesto Catilo 13. Pvt. Pedro Come

14. Pyt. Arsenio Valdez

15. Pvt. Lorenzo Bauen 16. Pvt. Loreto Gool

17. Pyt. Sixte Gome 18. Pyt. Antero Melabanan 19. Technical Sgt. Martin Gutierrez 20. Technical Sgt. Anacleto Ramos 21. Sgt. Pedro Marcial

22. Sgt. Antonio bag 25. Gpl. Hilerion Baler 24. Cpl. Nemesio Barza 25. Pvt. Teodoro Muñoz 26. Pvt. Silvino Muffoz 27. Pvt. Viteliano Barza

28. Pvt. Pable Amposta 29. Pvt. Iraneo Palbacal 30. Pvt. Genero Gutierrez

31. Pvt. Gregorio Ramos 32. Pvt. Ciriaco Alcantara

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BONIFACIO GARCIA lat Lt. Guerrilla Detachment Commander

VICENTE FORTUNATO 2nd Lt. Guerrilla Executive Officer

VERIFIED CORRECT:

Major Guerrilla Battalion Commander

PA/ase.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES) S. S. CITY OF MANTLA

AFFIDAVIT

I, FLORENCIO MEDINA, Filipino, of legal age, married, former Executive Officer of the 51st Infantry Regiment. Philippine Army, at Calapan, Mindoro, and at present assigned at the Adjutant General's Office. Headquarters, Philippine Army, with the rank of Major. ASN 0-1361, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law, depose and say:

That I personally know Pablo Aguila, with the rank of Major, to be the founder and organizer of the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA, a guerrilla unit in Batangas. Batangas;

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That Captain Mario Zaide, Major Pablo Aguila's S-3, was killed in action in Sawang hill, Verde Island, on March 9, 1945.

That this affidavit is being made to establish the fact that Major Pablo Aguila and eighty (80) of his men really did fight in Verde Island during the said dates.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NONE.

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 10th day of January 1947, at Manila.

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My Commission expires on Dec.

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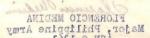
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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
MUNICIPALITY OF CANLUBANG) PROVINCE OF LAGUNA

I, RAMON RUFFY, Filipino, of legal age, married, former Commanding Officer of the 51st Infantry Regt., PA, at Calapan, Mindoro, and at present Executive Officer of the 4th Military District, PA, stationed at Canlubang, Laguna, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law depose and say:

That I personally know PABLO AGUILA, with the rank of Major, to be the founder and organizer of the Batangas Town Battalion, AUSA (Army of the United States of America) a guerrilla unit in the municipality of Batangas, province of Batangas;

That the said Major Pablo Aguila, with eighty (80) of his men, has seen action at Verde Island from 28 February 1945 to 15 March 1945 against the Japanese soldiers thereat:

That Major Pablo Aguila and his eighty (80) men as sild above wav attached to the American Units and was receiving rations from the United States Army during the said period from 28 February 45 to 15 March 45;

That during the said campaign in Verde Island,
Major Pablo Aguila's S-3, Captain Mario Zaide, was killed
in action against the Japs in Sawang hill, Verde Island,
on March 9, 1945.

That this affidavit is being made to establish the truth
that Major Pablo Aguila and eighty of his men did fight in
Verde Island with my guerrilla unit and the said American Liberation Forces.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Major,

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 10th day of

January 1947, at Canlubang, Laguna.

592 ENGINEERING BOAT & SHORE REGIMENT BEACH LABOR CONTROL OFFICE

1 May 45

SUBJECT : Letter

TO

: The Commanding Officer, USAFFE 3rd Replacement Center Camp Murphy, Quezon City

PABLO AGUILA, the bearer of this letter, resigned Major, Executive Officer and S-1 of the Provisional Battalion, Batangas Force, Fil-American Irregular Troops since 1 April 45 has been on active duty since then and on to 30 April 45, with the Beach Labor Control Office of the 592 Engineering Boat and Shore Regiment.

He has always been honest and efficient in the performance of his duties.

Choosing to report for duty at that Headquarters, being a First Sergeant, himself, Ex-USAFFE, he is relieved of all his duties this date.

Co. "E", 592 E. B. & S. R. Beach Labor Control Office

HEADQUARTERS
4th Repl. Batallion, PA
APO 75

5 March 1946

SUBJECT : RECOMMENDATION FOR RECOGNITION

TO : Commanding General, AFWESPAC

This is to recommend the unit of Major Pablo Aguila, AUSA, for recognition and for any benefit due them.

Major Pablo Aguila is personally known to me as an organizer and founder of guerrillas in his home town, (Batangas, Batangas) since the latter part of 1942.

I further certify that he, with his men, has joined in the liberation of his home town afore-mentioned and Verde Island, under the 24th Inf. Division, United States Army, under the command of Major General R. B. WOODRUFF, and Major Ramon Ruffy of the Provisional Batallion, Mindoro Force, where Major Aguila and his men have shown gallantry and bravery for the cause, resulting in the death in action of his Batallion S-3 or Capt. Mario Zaide, who has been taken by the Americans from Verde Island to the cemetery of the Americans in Batangas.

ANDRES R. AGLVEUB Mojor, Inf.-0-42130 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES) S.S.
PROVINCE OF BATANGAS
MUNICIPALITY OF BATANGAS

AFFIDAVIT

I, PABLO AGUILA, Filipino, of legal age, married, and a resident of Batangas, Batangas, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law, depose and say:

That as a Major of the Guerrillas of Batangas, Batangas, I, together with my men, helped in the liberation of Verde Laland with Major DICKERSON of the 24th Inf. Division, United States Army, Major Ramon Ruffy, then Commanding Officer of the Provisional Battalion, Mindoro Force, and Lt. KINCHELOE of "D" Company, 19th Infantry Regiment, 21st Infantry Division, U. S. Army, from 28 February 1945 to 15 March of same year;

That two of my Sergeants, Dominador Rivera and Sisemando Balmes were badly hurt and taken to a United States Army Hospital in Leyte, and my Battalion S-3 or Plens and Training Officer, Capt. Mario Zaida, was killed in action against the Japs in Sawang Hill, Verde Island, on 9 March 1945;

That because of the above mentioned circumstances, I have been awarded Major Insignia and a silver star by the said Major DICKERSON and given by Major Ramon Ruffy a certificate of recommendation and acknowledgement of the services and assistance I and my men have rendered them;

That upon return to Batangas, Batangas, with my men on the 18th day of March, 1945, I presented my credentials and said certificate of Major Ramon Ruffy to Major DAY of the 2nd Battalion, 188th Infantry Regiment, U.S. Army, who then has newly liberated the said town and he had us attached to his out-fit for duty but because off his immediate departure from this town for some mission, I was not able to ask him for any certificate regarding our attachment, neither, MA I requested him for the return of our certificate of recommendation for recognition as Guerrillas from Major Ramon Ruffy of Mindoro, which I find now to be essential in our desire to be recognized as such;

That this affidavit is being made to establish the above-mentioned facts with the full knowledge that I will be guilty of perjury in case I misrepresent them.

FURTHER affiant sayeth none. Batangas, Batangas, March 6, 1946.

Pablo Junta

Dubscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of March, 1946, affiant exhibiting his residence certificate No. A-52113 issued at Batangas, Batangas, on January 2, 1946.

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ELISEO M. ARAILA Acting Justice of the Peace Notary Public ex-officio Capital of Datengas



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> Check list for Investigation Teams and Determination of Guerrilla Units or Individuals for Recognition

1.	В	atangas	Rown Bn AUSA	Re	itangas R	etenana	
		Name of U	Unit	7	Location	The state of the s	
	(a)	AUSA	22				
	(b)	Major F	of overall command				
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	(c)	Fame o	guila 28 M. Sa of unit commanding	officer	, San Just address	an, Rizel	
	(d)	Furnish Name o	ed labor to 592 of using unit	Eng.			
	(e)	Capt Jo	se Garcia- Mind by for organization	oro Force of Unit. 1	s Sept]	1942 anized 2) d	March 30 1945 late reorganized
	(f)	C+	0.00) inactivat	
	(1)	strength	in officers and E				43 400
	(g)	Personne	1944 FAIT		1945	<u>360</u> 19	46
			used for	replacement	s to other	units	
			because o	f dissatisf	action wit	h units	
			because o	f inter-uni	t quarrels		
			Casualtie	s (Tir	it)(Ind)	1 dead	2 ₩ounded
	(h)	Personne	7		, (,	doud	8
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2.	Equ	ipment:			ZO miate	21.0	
	(a)	Wespons	available (type)	1942 _	2 rifl	98 1943	22 pistols
			1944	1945	36 Rifle	1946	
			How procured				

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	(5)	Transportation available Trucks 0	Motor cars
		How procured purchase	
		capture	military necessity _
	(c)	Radios available for broadcasts 0	
		Radios available for reception 2	
	(d)	Weapons still in hands of unitO	
	(e)	Wearons turned in by unit To whom _	the time that are the time and
3.	Acti	vities including type <u>During Occupation</u>	Liberation
	(a) (b)	Intelligence work Counter Espionage	Furnished labor
	(c)	75 4 1 4 4	to the 592 Fng paid
	(d) (e)		Unit did not join@
	(f)		combat liberation Q
	(g) (h)		- ' ' '
	(i)		
	(j)	(additional papers can be ad-	ded)
4.	Acco	mplishments (chronological sequence)	
	(a)		
		Destruction of Phil. property (bridges) etc.	
	(b)	Destroyed Radio Bldg, Batangas, Batangas Destruction of Japanese	
	(c)	36 Rifles-Turned over to Beredo whose un Capture of Japanese property (including type)	Batangas Town Guerril it doing the fighting
	(d)	3 killed Enemy casualtied	
5.	Meth	ods used to procure supplies in local areas.	
	(a)		
*	(a)	Amount purchased	
	(b)	Voluntary Contributions Amount donated	
	(c)	Had men steal from Jap warehouses Captured from Japanese	
	(a)	None	
		Landed from planes or other methods by U.S.	1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1
		(1) Type in all cases	
6.	Cont	act and Liaison maintained with other units. (frie AUSA Unit- Mindoro - Panay Guerrillas Capt Infante- Negros Coastal Guerrillas	ndly - otherwise)
	(a)	Capt Infante- Negros Coastal uerrillas	7 1.
		Name of units	Locations

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7.	Conf	Conflicts with other Guerrilla Units: Cause.			
8.	Cont	act has been made by team with available sources for information.			
	(a)	Civilians in areas			
	(6)	Pedro Berberabe - Mayor Batangas - Local governmental authorities			
	(c)	Apolinario Corpus Chief of Police Local M.P. Units as to present condition concerning unit under investigation			
	(d)	Major Ramon Ruffy PA Any other reliable source.			
9.	Cont	Unit not well organized trol of Unit by their own officers			
10.	Uni	Return to civilian status			
11.	Pol	None noted			
		Unit claims none on hand			
12.	*Con	dition of equipment on hand (all types)			
13.	Trif	Tuencing factors not otherwise specified			

Signature of all officers from GAD working case

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