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SALVADOR'S COMBAT UNIT, I ARMY CORPS, MFA

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NAME OF UNIT

DELFIN ADRIANO

UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

1. Complaints
2. Investigating Officer's Notes
3. Supporting papers
4. NFC letter dated 29 Apr 47 w/TLR by Lt Brown
5. Final consideration letter dated 16 Dec 47

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REMARKS:

75 members of the Salvador's Combat Unit were recognized with the Cadre (Composite) Roster

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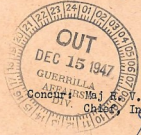
MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

1. It is recommended that the attached letter be dispatched to Mr. Delfin Adriano, Commanding Officer, Salvador's Combat , informing him of the recognition status of his unit as determined by the action taken on the composite roster of Marking's Fil-American Troops. Recognition by this headquarters of this roster constitutes the final determination of and action upon sixty-six (66) subordinate units of Marking's Fil-American Guerrillas of which this unit is a part.

2. A casualty roster has been submitted, and is being investigated at the present time.

Pete C Breaz
 PETE C. BREAZ
 1st Lt, Inf
E. R. Curtis
 Concur: Capt E. R. Curtis
 Chief, Unit Branch



Concur: Maj R. V. Sacan
 Chief, Individual Branch

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HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES-RYUKYU COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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Mr. Delfin Adriano
Tagig, Misal

16 DEC 1947

Dear Mr. Adriano:

The Commanding General directs that you be informed that final consideration has been given to the claim for guerrilla recognition of your organization, Salvador's Combat, an element of the overall command of Marking's Fil-American Troops (MFAT).

Subsequent to a protracted study of the records of this overall command, it was determined that any favorable consideration, either in full or in part, of claims for recognition of units under the direct control of the MFAT would be accorded in the form of a composite roster.

On 2 October 1947, Mr. Marking V. Agustin, the overall commander of MFAT, submitted a composite roster to this headquarters for approval. With the exception of fifty-five (55) necessary deletions by this headquarters plus the correction by the I Corps Commander of one hundred one (101) officer grades improperly listed on the II Corps and GHQ quota, the roster as submitted by Mr. Agustin has been approved in its entirety. Your unit, as a subordinate element of MFAT under its direct control, was given just and adequate consideration during the preparation of this composite roster. The degree of favorable consideration taken by this headquarters on the request for recognition of your unit may be determined by the number of names of personnel from your unit appearing on this composite roster. Unfavorable consideration of your unit request for recognition will be evidenced by the exclusion of your personnel from this composite roster.

The approval by this headquarters of this composite roster, representing all units under the direct control of MFAT, constitutes the final and conclusive action upon the claim for recognition of all units considered in the recognition study of this composite roster.

All queries relative to the above action and/or incident to guerrilla recognition matters concerning your unit should be addressed to your overall commanding officer, Mr. Marking V. Agustin.

Sincerely,

J. E. CANTRELL
CAPTAIN, AGD

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL

BY COL WILLIAM H. HERRICK

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Chief, Unit Branch

Company: Maj R V Sloan
Chief, Individual Branch

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UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLAND FORCES
MARKING'S FIL-AMERICANS
SALVADOR'S COMBAT UNIT

HEADQUARTERS PLATOON COMPANY

NAME	RANK
1. Delfin C. Adriano	Captain, Company Commander
2. Dominador A. Layosa	Captain, Int'l Off. (G-2), First Army Corps - Attached to this Company
3. Francisco B. Santos	1st Lieut., Ex. Officer
4. Felix Cruz	First Sergeant
5. Obdanlio Carlos	S/Sgt. - Mess Sergeant
6. Gregorio Viar	S/Sgt. - Supply Sergeant
7. Proceso Ramos	Sergeant - Communication
8. Marcos Panganiban	Sergeant - Cook
9. Miguel Javier	Sergeant - Cook
10. Romeo Adriano	Corporal - Cook
11. Emiliano Saligan	Corporal - Cook
12. Domingo Subia	Corporal - Company Clerk
13. Jose Esguerra	Ammunition - Artificer (Corporal)
14. Benjamin Jocoson	Private First Class
15. Ruperto Dimagualio	Private First Class
16. Nicolas Santos	Private First Class
17. Anaclato Marcelino	Private First Class
18. Sebastian Santos	Private First Class
19. Bartolome Santos	Private First Class
20. Juan Santos	Private First Class
21. Sergio Marcelino	Private First Class
22. Leonardo Ochoa	Private First Class
23. Domingo Borja	Private First Class
24. Policarpio Servilla	Private
25. Pedro Cruz	Private
26. Rodolfo de Leon	Private
27. Patricio Santos	Private
28. Catalino Cruz	Private
29. Celestino Papa	Private
30. Andres C. Santos	Private
31. Severino Santos	Private
32. Ladislao Carlos	Private
33. Benedicto de Luna	Private
34. Luis Javier	Private
35. Francisco Villanueva	Private
36. Victor Lasagas	Private

Present

Note: In
Place of NEG.

Ricardo Cruz

Sgt. - Cook



UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES
MARINE'S FIL - AMERICANS
SALVADOR'S COMBAT UNIT

PLATOON HEADQUARTERS

FIRST PLATOON

NAME

RANK

- | | |
|---------------------|------------|
| 1. Ireneo Reyes | 1st Lieut. |
| 2. Vicente Reyes | T/Sgt. |
| 3. Maximo Espirita | S/Sgt. |
| 4. Cornelio Caldoza | Pfc. |
| 5. Isais Mariano | Pvt. |

First Squad

2nd Squad

Name	Rank	Name	Rank
1. Serafin Patricio	S/Sgt.	1. Gregorio Balagtas	S/Sgt.
2. Luciano Jose	Pfc.	2. Jose Barcelona	Pfc.
3. Marcos Concepcion	Pfc.	3. Benjamin Mariano	Pfc.
4. Telesforo Mariano	Pfc.	4. Tomas D. Cruz	Pfc.
5. Egenio Astariano	pfc.	5. Zcilo Franco	Pfc.
6. Gregorio Trinidad	Pfc.	6. Juan Santiago	Pfc.
7. Regino Gattierez	Pvt.	7. Glicerio Franco	Pvt.
8. Pedro Patricio	Pvt.	8. Ereneo Cruz	Pvt.
9. Hilario Gattierez	Pvt.	9. Martin Villalaz	Pvt.
10. Espiridion Cruz	Pvt.	10. Julian Patricio	Pvt.
11. Tomas P. Cruz	Pvt.	11. Patricio Cruz	Pvt.
12. Alfonso Roldan	Sgt.	12. Luciano Bautista	Sgt.

Third Squad

Name

Rank

1. Diego Gattierez	S/Sgt.
2. Marcelo Santiago	Pfc.
3. Remegio Adriano	Pfc.
4. Albino Adriano	Pfc.
5. Ambrosio Adriano	Pfc.
6. Felix Vargas	Pfc.
7. Maximo Arellano	Pvt.
8. Pedro Reyes	Pvt.
9. Aniceto Padilla	Pvt.
10. Juan Arellano	Pvt.
11. Victor Gattierez	Pvt.
12. Ricardo Cruz	Sgt.

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Rifle platoonPLATOON HEADQUARTERSSecond platoon

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>
1. Emiliano R. Santos	2nd Lieutenant
2. Teodoro Layosa	T/Sergeant
3. Marciano Lim	S/Sergeant
4. Buenaventura Marcelino	private 1 cl.
5. Crispulo Santos	private

1st Squad

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>
1. Benjamin Roldan	S/Sergeant
2. Antonio Aquino	Private 1 cl.
3. Luis Andal	" "
4. Jorge Gely	" "
5. Martin Marcelino	" "
6. Pascual Sta. Maria	" "
7. Martin Dimagnaliw	Private "
8. Buenaventura Tinga	" "
9. Crisenciano Cruz	" "
10. Ramon Legarteja	" v
11. Jose Landonio	" "
12. Jose Lapena	Sergeant

2nd Squad

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>
1. Marcelo Amargo	S/Sergeant
2. Agustin de Leon	Private 1 cl.
3. Augusto Guevarra - <i>Procured</i>	" "
4. Meliton Carpio	" "
5. Celso Santos	" "
6. Pablo Virray	" "
7. Juan Cruz	private "
8. Quirino Santos	" "
9. Teofilo Santos	" "
10. Jacinto Santos	" "
11. Cenon Paloma	" "
12. Dominador Santos	Sergeant

Notes: 2
Place 2 AD 2. Vicente Harry - PFC

3rd Squad

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>
1. Rodrigo Marcelino	S/Sergeant
2. Juan A. Cruz	private 1 cl.
3. Cerec Marcelino	" "
4. Elpidio Ginez	" "
5. Vicente Espirita	" "
6. Dominador Alonso	" "
7. Pio Carlos	Private
8. Faustino San Diego	"
9. Braulio Saligan	"
10. Martin Gely	"
11. Francisco Garcia	"
12. Antonio Gamboa	Sergeant

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Rifle PlatoonPLATOON
HEADQUARTERS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>
1. Antero Banaag	2nd Lieutenant
2. Simplicio Castillo	T/Sergeant
3. Pedro Santos	S/Sergeant
4. Alexander Manalo	Private 1 cl.
5. Felipe Cruz	Private

1st Squad

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>
1. Faustino Fortosa	S/Sergeant
2. Gregorio Pasco	Private 1 cl.
3. Santiago Ste. ^{Jorge Alano}	" "
4. Patricio Magnaet	" "
5. Pedro Layosa	" "
6. Amado Tengco	" "
7. Artemio Cruz	Private
8. Homogenes Manalo	"
9. Ulupo Placido	"
10. Arsenio Flores	"
11. Juan Alonzo	"
12. Agripino Santos	Sergeant


2nd Squad

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>
1. Narciso Tagle	S/Sergeant
2. Isaac Ramos	Private 1 cl.
3. Pablo Santos	" "
4. Maximo Torres	" "
5. Leopoldo Castillo	" "
6. Delfin Santos	" "
7. Juan Tazon	Private
8. Maximo Castillo	"
9. Wenceslao Raymond	"
10. Fructoso Ramos	"
11. Alejandro Santos	"
12. Felipe Ramos	Sergeant


3rd Squad

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>
1. Gregorio Villar	S/Sergeant
2. Tranquilino Gregorio	Private 1 cl.
3. Lope Gonzales	" "
4. Pedro Banaag	" "
5. Martin Estacio	" "
6. Ignidio Paloma	" "
7. Nazario Carlos	Private
8. Candido Aguinaldo	"
9. Pedro Gely	"
10. Pascual Marcelino	"
11. Benigno Mercado	"
12. Ignacio Banaag	Sergeant

APPROVED



TEODORO E. SALVADOR
Colonel, USPIF
1st Army Corp



DELFIN G. ADRIANO
Captain, Infantry
Company Commander

UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCE
 MARINE'S VIL-AMERICAN
 SALAKAK'S BOMBAY UNIT

CASUALTY REPORT

NAME	RANK	DATE DEPARTED	DATE & PLACE OF OCCURRENCE	CIRCUMSTANCES	MEMORIALS
1. Francisco Adriano	Lt. Col.	Oct. 19, 1942	Feb. 10/44 Maganbayan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Mercedez Adriano
2. Jose Gorja	Capt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Ernestina Carlos
3. Esteban Adriano	M/Sgt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Mercedez Adriano
4. Venancio Adriano	1st/Sgt	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Estrella Saag
5. Genitigues Victoria	S/Sgt.	Nov. 22, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Luciana Quison
6. Marcelo Santos	Sgt.	Nov. 25, 1942	Mar. 25/45 Davao P/Camp	Killed by Japs	Juanita Binagala
7. Juan Flores	Sgt.	Nov. 25, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Laureano Flores
8. Nicandro Aguinaleo	Sgt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Priscilla Cruz
9. Severino Galimbaco	Sgt.	Nov. 16, 1942	July 16/44 "Ateros, Hinal	Killed by Japs	Amé Marcelo
10. Delfia del Prado	Sgt.	Dec. 21, 1942	Aug. 1, 1945 Fort Santiago	Killed by Japs	Lorena del Prado
11. Guillermo Villones	Cpl.	Dec. 27, 1942	Mar. 1/45 Davao P/Camp	Killed by Japs	Catalina Villones
12. Alfredo Aguinaleo	Cpl.	Jan. 5, 1943	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Flora Vance
13. Segundo Carlos	Cpl.	Dec. 5, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Albina Papa
14. Manuel Santos	Cpl.	Nov. 15, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Ester Agustin
15. Gregorio Mariano	Pfc.	Feb. 10, 1943	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Emang Corcino
16. Valeriana Cobos	Pfc.	Dec. 23, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Vicente Cobos
17. Jose Marcelo	Pfc.	Nov. 15, 1942	June 3/44 Sta. Maria Camp.	Killed by Japs	Severina Marcelino
18. Reynaldo Mariano	Pfc.	Dec. 20, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Marcelina Andaya
19. Nicasio Marcelo	Pfc.	Nov. 15, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Venancio Marcelino
20. Pedro Flores	Pfc.	Nov. 15, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Domitila Santos
21. Antonio Pama	Pfc.	Nov. 15, 1942	July 1/45 Fort Santiago	Killed by Japs	Melitona Mercado
22. Umrado Carlos	Pfc.	Nov. 15, 1942	March 1/45 Davao P/Camp	Killed by Japs	Leonida Mariano
23. Estanislao Pascoa	Pfc.	Nov. 15, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Erigenia Flores
24. Damaso Mariano	Pfc.	Nov. 15, 1942	Mar. 1/45 Davao P/Camp	Killed by Japs	Silvestre Mariano
25. Delfia Carlos	Pfc.	Dec. 23, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Ususan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Benidicta Saag

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NAME	RANK	DATE REPORTED	DATE & PLACE OF OCCURRENCE	CIRCUMSTANCES	RETIKIARIANES
26. Jose de Luna	Pfb.	Feb. 1, 1943	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Mauro Disagualiv
27. Ciriaeo de Luna	Pvt.	Dec. 29, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Mauro Disagualiv
28. Pedro Fernandez	Pvt.	Dec. 24, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Fernanda Gregel
29. Dominador Manalo	Pvt.	Jan. 5, 1943	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Laureano Manolo
30. Claro Flores	Pvt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Gasero Flores
31. Saturnino Reyes	Pvt.	Nov. 30, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Victor Reyes
32. Andres Ochoa	Pvt.	Dec. 28, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Encarnacion Santos
33. Senso Ochoa	Pvt.	Dec. 28, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Georgeta Pahay
34. Sebastian Flores	Pvt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Ignacia Vivar
35. Buenaventura Salimbakod	Pvt.	Nov. 26, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Ana Marcelino
36. Gregorio Gregel	Pvt.	Dec. 9, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Francisca Cruz
37. Jaime Gregorio	Pvt.	Dec. 7, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Cirilo Gregorio
38. Marcelo Aginaldo	Pvt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Leonora Aginaldo
39. Arturo Castillo	Pvt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Rocanda Santos
40. Arcadio Baco	Pvt.	Dec. 12, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Valeriana Gregorio
41. Gregorio Santos	Pvt.	Dec. 7, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Luis Santos
42. Gregorio Cruz	Pvt.	Nov. 25, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Juliana Flores
43. Alejandro pagmalinwan	Pvt.	Dec. 2, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Salad Palacios
44. Gregorio Pascoa	Pvt.	Nov. 25, 1942	Feb. 12/44 Calamba, Laguna	Killed by Japs	Adalaida Angeles
45. Saturnino Carlos	Pvt.	Dec. 1, 1942	Feb. 12/44 Calamba, Laguna	Killed by Japs	Antero Carlos
46. Arsenio Santos	Pvt.	Dec. 4, 1942	Mar 25/44 Malabon, Rizal	Killed by Japs	Silvino Santos
47. Florentino Santarin	Pvt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Jan 10/44 Bagumbayan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Loreto Quimado
48. Victor Santos	Pvt.	Nov. 16, 1942	Dec. 2/44 Unsan, Tagig	Killed by Japs	Honorata Santos

Submitted by:


 DELVIN ADRIANO
 COMPANY COMMANDER

APPROVED BY:


 CASILO S. SALVADOR
 MAJOR, PA -047263
 POST PROVOST MARSHAL

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Col Gerald F Lillard:

1. The Salvador's Combat Unit, 1st Army Corps, Marking's Fil-American Troops, consisting of 207 men has been not favorably considered. No members of this unit have been previously recognized.
2. This unit does not fulfill the requirements of the five basic points of recognition (see attached Team Leader's Report).
3. No useful purpose will be served by any further investigation of this unit.
4. No recommendations can be made as to the validity of the units submitted casualty roster.

Wilmore K Brown by PCB
(SGD) WILMORE K BROWN
2nd Lt., Inf

Concur: J.C. Buchanan!
Capt S C Buchanan
Chief, Southern Luzon
Concur: C.H. Wentzell
Maj C H Wentzell
Chief, Unit Inv Sec

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Concur: ^{SJP} Lt Col S J Palos
Chief, Unit Branch

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HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES-MYKYOUS COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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APO 707

29 APR 1947

Mr. Delfin G. Adriano
Tagig, Rizal
Philippines

Dear Mr. Adriano:

The Commanding General has directed that you be informed that the Salvador Combat Unit, 1st Army Corps, Marking's Fil-American Troops, purporting to be a guerrilla organization under your nominal 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 substantiating records and testimony of witnesses having pertinent knowledge, recognition of this guerrilla unit is not deemed to be warranted because of reasons mentioned below:

- a. Record of service was not substantiated by sufficient acceptable evidence.
- b. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field in opposition to the enemy.
- c. Activities of the unit did not contribute materially to the eventual defeat of the enemy.
- 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.

It is desired to emphasize that each claimant member of the unit is considered to have had just and adequate appraisal for recognition when his services were evaluated concurrently with this study of the unit with which he claims membership. Individual requests were not necessary nor appropriate then, or now, as their acceptance would in effect constitute unjustified duplication of consideration of one individual by this headquarters.

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However, this does not preclude submission for casualty recognition by those individuals who are qualified and feel justified in entering such claims. Upon request by interested individuals, appropriate forms will be forwarded.

Your attention is invited to Presidential Executive Order No. 68, Commonwealth of the Philippines, copy of which is attached, for any necessary action in connection therewith.

Sincerely,

1 Incl
Executive Order No. 68

THOMAS J. BROWN
CWO, USA
ASST ADJ GEN

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Chief, Unit Inv Sec

Concur: Lt Col S J Palos
Chief, Unit Branch



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RECORDS
UNIT FILEReport on the "Salvador's Combat Unit, 1st Army Corps,
Marking's Fil-American Troops (MFAT)"

1. Lt Wilmore K Brown, proceeded to Tagig, Rizal, on 5 Dec 1946 to investigate the "Salvador's Combat Unit, 1st Army Corps, MFAT."

2. ALLEGED HISTORY: (See attached unit file)

3. FINDINGS:

a. The following persons were interviewed and their statements are reflected in the findings:

Col Marking Agustin, CO of the MFAT
Col Cibrano Sta Tereza, CO, Sta Tereza Regt, MFAT
Maj Teofilo Salvador, CO, 1st Army Corps, MFAT
Capt Delfin C Adriano, CO, subj unit
1st Lt Francisco Santos, EO, subj unit
2nd Lt Emiliano Santos, subj unit
2nd Lt Antero Banaag, subj unit
1st Sgt Felix Cruz, subj unit
1st Sgt Maximo Espiritu, subj unit
T/Sgt Narciso Tagle, subj unit
S/Sgt Masciano Lim, subj unit
S/Sgt Luciano Bautista, subj unit
Corp Domingo Subia, subj unit
Pfc Amado Tingco, subj unit
Pvt Cinon Paloma, subj unit
Santos Martin, civilian, Tagig, Rizal

b. Record of service was not substantiated by sufficient acceptable evidence. The only evidence submitted that is applicable to the unit in question consists of letters of commendation from affiliated guerrilla leaders. Most of this evidence refers to higher guerrilla echelons without directly mentioning the "Salvador's Combat Unit". The subject unit claims attachment to the 11th Airborne Div from 9 Feb 1945 to 22 Mar 1945 and to the 373rd Searchlight Bn from 23 Mar 1945 to 10 May 1945; however, there has been no evidence produced to substantiate these claims.

c. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field in opposition to the enemy. All claims of overt resistance made by the unit were verbal. Absolutely no substantiating evidence was presented. Members of the unit asserted that their combat actions were all of a "hit and run" nature, and that it would be impossible to estimate the damage actually inflicted upon the Japanese.

d. Unit did not show satisfactory continuity of activ-

ity and organization. This unit claims to have been inducted into the MPAT on 16 Nov 1942. However, in the unit history there is no mention made of any activities prior to the time when contact was made with the American Liberation Forces. It has been impossible to discover anything other than verbal statements by certain parties interested in the unit's recognition, which would indicate that the unit actually existed. Members of the unit were extremely vague as to their activities during the occupation period.

e. Activities of the unit did not contribute materially to the eventual defeat of the enemy. In the unit history there is no mention made of any combat activities during the occupation period. From the facts presented in the unit history it would be difficult to determine whether or not the unit functioned prior to the liberation. During the investigation the contact team was told of an ambush made by approximately one hundred (100) members of the Salvador's Combat Unit against an eighty (80) man Japanese Patrol. No evidence was presented to substantiate his claim and participants of the ambush stated that they were unable to determine the results.

f. Adequate records were not maintained (names, ranks, dates of enlistment or joining, dates of promotions, and necessary related information). None of the supporting evidence submitted with the unit's request for recognition could be used to indicate that the unit functioned administratively during the period claimed. Delfin C Adriano, commanding officer of the subject unit, stated that all his orders were given to him verbally from GHQ, MPAT, therefore, there was no need for administrative records.

g. Marking Agustin, commanding officer of the MPAT, stated that the Salvador's Combat Unit is "strictly a legitimate outfit". He further stated that the members of the unit remained in the hills at all times and were active throughout the occupation.

Teofilo Salvador, commanding officer of the 1st Army Corps, MPAT, stated that this unit was the combat arm of his headquarters and that it was the duty of the subject unit to protect that headquarters and to engage in all combat missions within the operational sphere of the 1st Army Corps.

h. The Salvador's Combat Unit was considered during the negotiations for a possible composite unit to expedite the recognition of the deserving members of the MPAT. However, refusal of the commanding officers of the MPAT to screen the posters to a recommended figure made such a measure impossible. No members of the subject unit have been previously recognized.

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No useful purpose will be served by any further investigation of this unit.

1. No recommendations can be made as to the validity of the unit's submitted casualty roster.

4. POLITICAL ASPECTS: This unit apparently has no political affiliations or aspirations.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS: It is recommended that the "Salvador's Combat Unit, 1st Army Corps, Marking's Fil-American Troops" be not favorably considered for recognition.

Wilmore K. Brown
(800) WILMORE K BROWN *Jay PCB*
2nd Lt Inf

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MARKING'S FIL-AMERICAN
SALVADOR'S COMBAT UNITCasualty (15)
roster is in Casualty
SectionHISTORICAL DATAS AND ACTIVITIES

This Company was the remnant of the 6th Battalion, Guerilla Forces stationed in South Central Luzon. It came to be inducted to the Marking's Guerillas on the 16th, 1942, under the 1st Battalion of the Guerilla Forces under Col. Teofilo Z. Salvador, commanding Rizal Unit. Since that time this said battalion had helped much in bringing food and submitting intelligence report to the G H Q.

On July, 1st, 1942, the town of Tagig was zonified. Some were killed in the encounter and many were taken prisoners in the Fort Santiago. According to intelligence report four were beheaded and the rest were taken as military prisoners serving various military confinements.

Then the rest of these men joined the Saints Combat stationed in South Central Luzon. On the 1st of February, 1945, this company was ordered to go down the hills and to take its former territory of Bagumbayan, Tagig, Rizal. They have the mission then to strike whenever they have the chance to. On February 14th, 1945 we came in contact to the first American Forces in Fort McKinley. Then we began the cutting of ammunition dams. It was thru the effort of this company that led to the saving of many American lives. Right at that time we were fighting a do or die battle. This company led the Americans to the fight in the Signal Hills, Fort McKinley. The Americans were shown where the mines were planted, various ammunition dams left, and the various hideouts of the Japs. Under the teamate with 1st Lt. Franzen, 1st Lt., 11th Airborne with this company, thousands of lives in the nearby towns were save from the mass murder planned and rendered by the Japs.

Since that time this company has encountered so many actions, repulsing Japs trying to land on the subordination towns coming from the Laguna Lake.

With the effort of this company the Japs struggles in the Fort McKinley and the various neighboring towns were cut.

APPROVED FOR

[Signature]
TEOFILO Z. SALVADOR
MAJOR, PA - 047269
POST PROVOST MARSHAL

Sgd. by

[Signature]
DELFIN ADRIANO
CO. COMMANDER

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MARKING'S GUERRILLA
ADVISED BY COL. HUGH STRAUGH
SOUTH CENTRAL LUZON
PHILIPPINES

28 Nov. 1946

Subject : Recommendation For Recognition
To : Commanding General (AFWESDAC)

1. Captain Delfin C. Adriano #B Company 6th
Bn. 3rd Regiment of Rizal unit Marking's Guerilla under
Col. Cipriano Sta. Teresa has been attached for duty with
the following organization during the liberation. Duties
performed were as guard and service unit.

(a) To 11th Airborne Feb. 9 1945 to 22 March 1945.
273 Section 30
Searchlight Bn. 22 March 1945 to 10 May 1945.

2. Attached is a Roster of the above named unit.
I hereby recommended that this unit be recognized for satis-
factory service.

[Signature] -073813
EMILIANO STA. TERESA
Capt. Adjutant
Marking's Guerilla

Certified Correct

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C. STA. TERESA
Col. Sta. Teresa Regt.
Marking's Guerilla

MARKING'S FIL AMERICAN TROOP
SOUTH CENTRAL LUZON
PHILIPPINES

12 May 1945

COMMENDATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Captain DELFIN C. ADRIANO, with his Combat Company was attached to my Regiment and served under my command for the period 1 February 1945 to 10 May 1945.

During his attachment to my Regiment he has displayed a very high degree of leadership which gained his men's trust and confidence in him.

He is very tactful, conscientious to duty. I highly recommend him to any position of which a high degree of intelligence and trust is required.

Cypriano Sta. Teresa
CYPRIANO STA. TERESA
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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UNITED STATES ARMY

2/22/45

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to acknowledge that Mr CIPRIANO STA. TERESA, designated by "MARKING'S GUERRILLA" as Colonel, have rendered valuable and important military services to this Army while we are battling against the Japs at Mauling or Bicutan, Taguig Rizal

Mr Sta Teresa and his men have rendered the following services:-

- (a) He personally went with us thirteen (13) times in the front guiding and pointing us all the Japs fortifications aside from his report that he submitted regarding same
- (b) He and his men furnished labor of transporting water, arms, and ammunitions to the front from our station
- (c) He conducted a also wounded soldier to our station. (Emergency Hospital)

To him I express profound gratitude

(Sgd) JOHN L. STRONG
Major, Inf. U.S. Army
3rd Bn. "11th Airbourn"

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:


CIPRIANO STA TERESA 0-72853
Colonel, Sta Teresa's Regmt.

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GAD Form 1
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Guerrilla Units or Individuals for Recognition

1. SALVADOR'S COMBAT UNIT TAGUIG, RIZAL
Name of Unit Location
- (a) MARKING FU-AMERICAN TROOPS
Name of overall command
- (b) MARKING AGUSTIN PALACE
Name of overall commanding officer Address
- (c) DELFIN C ADRIANO TAGUIG, RIZAL
Name of unit commanding officer Address
- (d) 11 Airborne Div; 373rd searchlight Bn
Name of using unit
- (e) MARKING 16 NOV 1942
Authority for organization of unit. 1) date organized 2) date reorganized
10 MAY 1945
3) inactivated
- (f) Strength in officers and EM
- | | 1942 | 1943 |
|------|------------|------------|
| 1942 | <u>159</u> | <u>159</u> |
| 1944 | <u>159</u> | <u>207</u> |
| 1945 | | |
| 1946 | | |
- (g) Personnel lost:
- used for replacements to other units NONE
- : because of dissatisfaction with units NONE
- : because of inter-unit quarrels NONE
- : Casualties SEE CASUALTY ROSTER (UNIT FILE)
(Unit)(Ind) dead wounded
- (h) Personnel:
- | | No. officers | EM |
|-----------|--------------|----|
| USAFPE | <u>NONE</u> | |
| P.A. | <u>NONE</u> | |
| P.S. | <u>NONE</u> | |
| Civilians | <u>207</u> | |

Personnel procure copies of any S.O., that may affect any of the personnel.

2. Equipment:

- (a) Weapons available (type)
- | | 1942 | 1943 |
|------|------------|--------------------|
| 1942 | <u>37</u> | <u>70-80</u> |
| 1944 | <u>100</u> | <u>FULLY ARMED</u> |
| 1945 | | |
| 1946 | | |

How procured

CAPTURED FROM JAPS; GHQ, MFAI

GAD Form 1
Feb 46

- (b) Transportation available Trucks Motor Cars
 How procured purchase confiscation
 capture military necessity
- (c) Radios available for broadcasts
 Radios available for reception
- (d) Weapons still in hands of unit NONE
- (e) Weapons turned in by unit 200 + To whom GNO, MEAT

3. Activities including type
- | | <u>During occupation</u> | <u>Liberation</u> |
|-----|--------------------------|-------------------|
| (a) | <u>COMBAT</u> | |
| (b) | | |
| (c) | | |
| (d) | | |
| (e) | | |
| (f) | | |
| (g) | | |
| (h) | | |
| (i) | | |
| (j) | | |
- (additional papers can be added)

4. Accomplishments (chronological sequence)
- (a) ?
 Destruction of Phil. property (bridges) etc.
- (b) ?
 Destruction of Japanese
- (c) ? ARMS + AMMUNITION
 Capture of Japanese property (including type)
- (d) ?
 Enemy casualties

5. Methods used to procure supplies in local areas.
- (a) -
 Amount purchased
- (b) ALL OF SUPPLIES
 Amount donated
- (c) -
 Captured from Japanese
- (d) -
 Landed from planes or other methods by U.S.

6. Contact and Liaison maintained with other units. (friendly - otherwise)
- (a) -
 Name of units Locations

7. Conflicts with other Guerrilla units. NONE Cause.
8. Contact has been made by team with available sources for information.
- (a) YES
Civilians in areas
- (b) YES
Local governmental authorities
- (c) NONE
Local M.P. Units as to present condition concerning unit under investigation
- (d) YES
Any other reliable source
9. (SEE REPORT)
Control of unit by their own officers
10. (NONE)
Units present activities
11. SEE REPORT
Political Aspects
12. NONE
Condition of equipment on hand (all types)
13. (SEE REPORT)
Influencing factors not otherwise specified

Signature of all officers from GAD working case.

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