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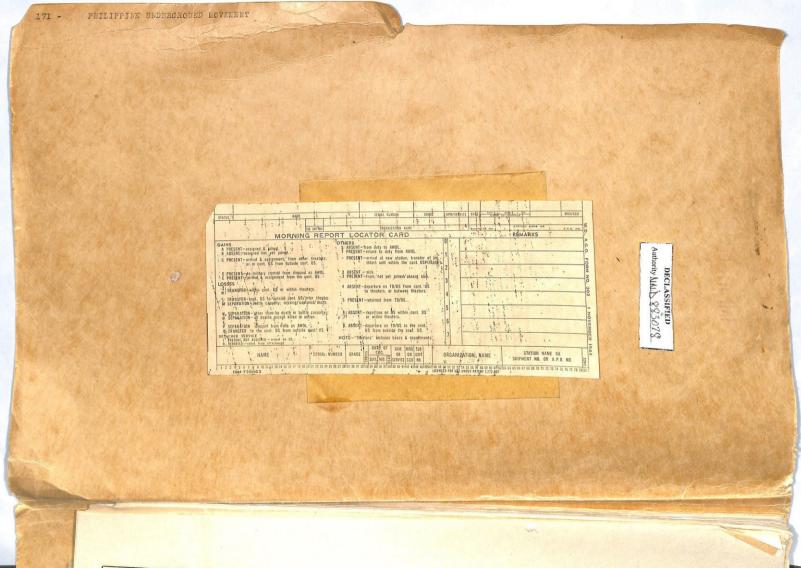


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1	Complaints
2.	Investigating Officer's Notes
	Request for recgn w/rosters & supporting papers.
	Ltr to Mr. Salvador D. Lacuna informing him that subj unit is faled in
	this Hq pending investigation - Ltr Hq AFWESPAC dtd 23 Nov 46.
5.	Ltr fr Mr. Lacuna requesting status of unit - 17 March 47.
6.	NFC (Str- 84) Ltr Hq PHILRYCOM dtd 28 Apr 47.
7.	NFC/RR - Ltr Hq PHILRYCOM dtd 23 Jun 47.
8.	Ltr to CO informing him that the NFC/RR status remains final -
	Ltr Hq PHILRYCOM dtd 7 Jul 47,
9.	Ltr fr CO to Gen Moore requesting that subj unit be granted a Certificat
	of Merit for vservices rendered - 16 Jul 47.
10.	C/N to DC & C/S discussing reasons for not granting the request for
	Certificate of Merit to subj unit - 12 Aug 47.
11.	NFC/Request for a Certificate of Merit - Ltr Ho PHILRYCOM dtd 18 Aug A
12.	NFC/Request for the return of documents submitted to this Ha - Ltr Ha
	PHILRYCOM dtd 24 Feb 48.
13.	NFC/reiterated request for the return of documents - Ltr Ho PHILRYCOM
	dtd 23 Apr 48.
14.	Request that they be allowed to copy from original documents submitted
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> 760 Sisa, Sampaloc, Manila 19 May 1948

The Commanding General Philrycom
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# File No. GSCPU 091 PI

Attention: Guerrilla Affairs Division

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter dated April 27, 1948, informing us that we may call at the Guerrilla Affairs Division at your headquarters "with facilities for making copies of such documents that we may desire to withdraw" I would like to inform you that it would be very difficult for us to do so and we wish to request that we may be allowed to withdraw the originals submitted to you, under proper receipt, so that we may copy the same more easily and with the understanding that same will be returned to you after. We will then request you to certify the copies made by us.

Thanking you in advance for this favor, I beg to remain

YSALWADOR D. LACUNA Executive Officer Philippine Underground Movement

Sincerely yours,



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Mr. Lacuna informed by our reply to call at the GAD with facilities for making copies of the documents which he desires to withdraw.

1st Lt George E. Kemper

Concur: Capt . Christon Chief, Unit Branch

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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 Fostmaster, San Francisco, California.

Sincerely,

## 3 Incls:

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



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Mr. Salvador D. Lacuna 760 Sisa, Sampalec Hamila

Dear Mr. Lacuna:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 20 March 1948, reiterating your request for the return of the documents of the Philippine Underground Movement forwarded to this headquarters in connection with the request for recognition of that unit.

It is demired to inform you that you may call at the Guerrilla Affairs Division of this headquarters with facilities for making copies of such documents as you may desire to withdraw. After you have made these copies, they will be verified by an officer of the Guerrilla Affairs Division and substituted for the originals in the unit file.

Sincerely,

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Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

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1st Lt George E. Kemper

Concur: Capt E. R. Curtis Chief, Unit Branch 1 0 433

760 Sisa, Sampaloc, Manila 30 March 1948

The Commanding General PHILRYCOM
Manila

File No. GSCPU 091 PI/246

Attention: Guerrilla Affairs Division

Sir:

We are in receipt of your reply of 24 February 1948 denying our request for the return of our documentary exhibits which were submitted to support our application for the recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement. You claimed that said papers become part of the permanent records of your head-quarters. However, we beg to differ as we specifically made a reservation to the effect "and it is requested that said exhibits be returned to this organization as soon as the purpose for its submission is accomplished." (Letter of transmittal, January 30, 1946, Page 12, copy of which is herein attached)

This organization was denied recognition, nevertheless the members of this organization desire, for sentimental purposes, to retain the complete file of their short-wave news covering the period from January 26, 1942 to January 30, 1945 inclusive, their value being considered as historical in the underground movement. Furthermore, we need said news to submit our appeal to the United States Congress. If you need copies of said news, we will gladly furnish you certified copies after copying them from the record in your file.

SALVADOR D. LACUNA
Executive Officer
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Mr. S. D. Lacuna 760 Sisa, Sampaloo Manila, Philippines

Dear Mr. Lacuna:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 17 January 1948, requesting that this headquarters return to you the documents submitted with your request for recognition of the Philippine Underground Novement, United States Philippine Islands Forces.

It is desired to inform you that all documentary evidence submitted by claimant guerrilla units in support of a claim for recognition becomes a part of the permanent records of this headquarters and cannot be returned to the unit concerned.

We therefore regret to inform you that your request for return of the records of the Philippine Underground Movement, United States Philippine Islands Forces, cannot be favorably considered.

> Sincerely, R.E. CANTRELL CAPT. AGD ASST ADJ GEN

Lt Col Wallace M Hanes:

Basic, letter from Mr. S. D. Lacuns to GG PHILITYCOM, dtd 17 Jan 48, requesting the return of documents submitted with the request for recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement, United States Philippine Islands Forces.

1st Lt George E Kemper

Concur: Capt E R Curtis Chief, Unit Branch

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UNITED STATES-PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES
PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT
INTELLIGENCE UNIT

Headquarters: 450 Santander, Manila

TO: The Commanding General Guerilla Affairs Section Philippine Army Division G-3 Section, AFWESPAC.

SUBJECT: Letter of transmittal.

Transmitted herewith are the following papers reference request for recognition of the Intelligence Unit, PHILIPPINE UNLERGROUND MOVEMENT, United States-Philippine Islands Porces, 1. e.:

- 1. Historical Background of the organization.
- Supporting evidences, Exhibits I, II, III, IV, V, and VI.

Request that the exhibits mentioned in No. 2, paragraph 1, be returned to the Unit Headquarters as soon as the purpose for which they may be used is terminated.

J. PARDO DE TAVERA Colonel, MI

Incls.-As stated above.

# UNITED STATES-PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES PHILIPPINE UNDERCROUND MOVEMENT (INTELLIGENCE UNIT)

Headquarters: 450 Santander Manila, 30 January 1946

## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Submitted herewith is a brief historical background of the Intelligence Unit, PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT, United States-Philippine Islands Forces, during the period January 1942 to 30 January 1945.

This organization, which was formed under the auspices of the major part of the pre-war personnel of the Division of Investigation of the Philippine Department of Justice, was made up largely of officers and employees of the said Division with whom were affiliated a number of outside elements for purposes of convenient contacts.

The aims of the organization were (1) to conduct extensive espionage work and (2) to keep up the public morale and the people's faith in the United States and the Commonwealth of the Philippines.

On 28 December 1941, when hopes of saving the country from the enemy's occupation were fast beginning to fade as a result of the successive reverses suffered by our forces in the fields and the impending surrender of the capital, the undersigned saw that it was his clear duty to his beloved country, to follow the footsteps of his father who also served faithfully his country and suffered therefor imprisonment in Fort Santiago and exile in Guam in the hands of the Spaniards after the Cavite Revolt of 1872 and to do his utmost to offer resistance to the invading forces. The undersigned instructed a number of his agents to form an underground unit from the rank and file of the Division of Investigation to spy on the activities and movements of the enemy and his collaborators and see that the results of their work find their way into the hands of our defending forces.

This line of service was particularly chosen by the undersigned as the most suitable field in which the undersigned and his men could render maximum service and results, by reason of the technical training they have had precisely along this line of activity and of the fact that long before the outbreak of the war the entire force of the Division had already been working on Japanese espionage activities in the Philippines. Their findings then were all made known to the Intelligence Service of the United States Army at Fort Santiago. By way of verification, reference may be made to Colonel Evans and later Major Reynolds, both of G-2 then.

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During the first few weeks since the march of the Japanese forces of occupation on Manila, it gradually became apparent that the Japanese high command, by a series of unequivocal moves, aimed at a rigid censorship of the press and of all forms of communications calculated to crush the morale of the people and to cut off the bonds that had long united them with the mother country and the fatherland. The enemy took over the control of the press, the radio, the mails, etc. and started a systematic propaganda resorting frequently to glaring falsehoods and exaggerations.

If such state of affairs were allowed to go on unchallenged, it surely was to work out very harmful effects upon the cause of America and the Commonwealth and poison the minds of the Filipinos. Nobody in the ranks of the Philippine Underground Movement was willing to allow this to occur to our people. It was, therefore, unanimously decided to counteract the Japanese propaganda by means of a similar counter-propaganda.

For this purpose we have circulated typewritten news from the front as received through the radio and tried to bolster the morale of our people by any available means. No less than fifty sets of such news were secretly circulated in Manila and the neighboring towns through the members of the unit. It is unfortunate, however, that not a single copy is now in existence due to raids made by the Japanese military police upon the dwellings of certain members of the association and upon the very building occupied by the Division of Investigation at 124 Arzobispo Street, Intramuros, in the latter part of February, 1942, and in the second half of March of the same year, resulting in the seizure of eight copies and the arrest and torture of some of the members, particularly the undersigned, and because of the strict surveillance under which the members of the organization had been placed thereafter, which did not cease until the very end of their stay in the city. We were, however, successful in preserving practically all the handwriting original notes of later broadcasts from America, Australia, and other Allied nations, the dissemination of which took on this time a more careful form. These later radio news records were circulated by means of the original to the members and by word of mouth to the public.

It must be mentioned in this connection that while remaining as an integral part of this unit, the members were also allowed, and in fact, encouraged to serve in the combat units of other organizations if by so doing they could be of greater service to the common cause. No less than one third of the members actually fought and died in the service of other guerrilla units.

When upon the entry of their armed forces into Manila at the opening of the year 1942, the Japanese high command issued orders to the effect that the public functionaries of the outgoing government should stay in their

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respective posts, the leadership of the Philippine Underground Movement saw an opportunity for misleading the military authorities about the real character of the members. It was feared that if they stayed outside of the government, after having been told to remain, suspicion would be east upon them as rebels or guerrillas. And this suspicion could be all the more strengthened by their having no apparent means of livelihood. Therefore, the members decided after consulting with the undersigned, to continue with their old jobs. However, the undersigned, personally and with the help of trusted members of the PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT, destroyed all confidential records of the Office of the pre-war Division of Investigation which might have been of aid and importance to the enemy. Among these papers were:

- A complete roster of Reserve Officers of the Philippine Army kept in the Office of the Division of Investigation. In this roster were listed Philippine Army officers on active duty, both as intelligence agents of the USAFFE and those assigned in the fighting services at Bataan and Corregidor.
- A complete list of Japanese nationals subjected to espionage investigation by the Division of Investigation, Department of Justice.
- Copies of D-I intelligence reports procured by 1st Lieut. Trinidad Zenarosa, regarding Japanese military activities in the Philippines previous to the enemy invasion.
- Intelligence reports of D-I agents on cases involving Japanese holdings in various parts of the Philippines.
- Intelligence reports on fascistic elements in the Philippines prior to the outbreak of the war.
- Other incriminating papers of military value to the Axis powers.

Their continuance in the government service at such a time redounded to great advantage to the interests of the organization, for not only did the ruse thus set up prove successful in warding off military suspicion, but that the unit was enabled to make use of the D-I building at Intramuros as its headquarters and meeting place -- a very ideal place for that purpose --, and the members were afforded a means for a living and for financing the expenses of the organization, without really earning it. For during the period of three years in which the Division of Investigation was in existence under the enemy, the office personnel had done essentially nothing but receive their salaries when due.

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This official inactivity was due to three main reasons: first, due to the refusal of then Judge Lt. Col. Sixto de la Costa (a member of this underground unit), then the head of the Rurrau of Justice under which the Division of Investigation was placed during the first two and a half years of the occupation, to put the Division to work; secondly, the habit of feighing sickness and other imagined causes on the part of the employees whenever given any definite assignments; and thirdly, the absence of funds set aside for traveling and other expenses of personnel making the performance of their field assignments impossible.

The risk to life undergone by the members of the organization in those days of terror cannot be underestimated. For as early as March 2, 1942, the head of the organization was arrested on a charge of espionage, of news dissemination and many other serious charges. He was confined in Fort Santiago where he was tortured in an effort to obtain from him a confession of guilt and to disclose the names of his associates. Eight most incriminating papers were seized in his possession after a rigid search of his house and the office of the Division of Investigation. These papers included some of those news releases mentioned in the earlier part of this report. He was also charged for being a liaison officer between the occupied areas and President Quezon. He had been tortured, mangled and imprisoned for a period of about sixty days, but due to his insistent denials of said accusations and although sentenced to death twice, he was finally released due to his very serious physical condition, having among other injuries, a broken nose and lost hearing on the left ear. Later he entered the Philippine General Hospital where he remained six months and had to undergo two major operations. As an inevitable consequence, his position as Chief of the Division of Investigation was filled by Mr. Higinio B. Macadaeg, formerly a Judge-at-large.

A month later, while the leader of the organization was yet undergoing the ordeals of torture and punishment, and although he had assumed all responsibility for any hostile acts alleged to have been committed by the agents of the Division of Investigation, four other members of the unit were arrested on a charge of news dissemination. Their houses were searched and they were confined in Fort Santiago, where they were submitted to similar atrocities. These four persons, who were among the active leaders of the movement, are lst Lts. Arturo Xavier, Jose S. Gonzales, Ricardo Deblois, and Claro P. Sison. The failure of the investigators to obtain admission of the charges imputed upon them nor to find incriminating papers in their possession, prompted their release a few days later.

From these last arrests, the organization found itself in a period of relative peace until the American landing in Leyte. No single arrest was made on the membership of the organization, although the surveillance was still on. There was a time, however, when the organization found itself in a great danger of wholesale persecution and its leader in danger of being rearrested, when the San Francisco news broad-

casting indiscreetly mentioned, (Referring to the Commonwealth Division of Investigation, Dept. of Justice), the existence in the Philippines of an organized unit patterned after the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the United States, doing underground work against the Japanese. This organization, undoubtedly, was the unit meant, i. e. the Division of Investigation. It is fortunate, however, that the Japanese authorities apparently did not understand or give this revelation its real significance. Then, too, it appeared that the military police were on the trail of two members of the organization, as inquiries were made of their residences and their activities. Nothing however developed from this.

At the time the Battle of Manila was raging, the following members were killed by the military police in Fort Santiago: Messrs. Julito Divinagracia and Pedro Señada. Then Messrs. Felix Ignacio and Proceso G. Almando were killed in action.

Mention was hereinbefore made of the building occupied by the Division of Investigation at Intramuros as the meeting place and headquarters of the members. This was so from the beginning until the merging of the Division of Investigation under the Bureau of Investigation, with office at the City Hall Building. This was a few months before the arrival of the Americans. During the latter period, the headquarters and meeting place was moved to 332 Raon Street, under the guise of a hardware store, as there was no longer any privacy and security in the City Hall Building. The Raon headquarters remained as such until the end of the Japanese occupation. The leader of the organization, since his confinement in Fort Santiago, had not been meeting the members openly, although couriers regularly came to him at his residence at 814 M. H. del Pilar, from which he issued his instructions for the compliance of the members, and later at the Philippine General Hospital where he was confined for six months for two major operations resulting from his maltreatment in Fort Santiago. This arrangement was due to the rigid watchfulness to which he has been subjected since his arrest.

With respect to the financing of the organization, expenses were paid at first from contributions regularly collected from the members, generally from their salaries. Later on, however, when the cost of living was making its full weight felt upon everybody, a few more fortunate members volunteered to bear the greatest bulk of the reimbursements. Upon the shoulder of Capt. Salvador Lacuna fell almost all the burden.

To accomplish the assumed mission of the organization in espionage, messages were transmitted to the Allied forces through liaison agents. The other important findings of the intelligence staff may be found in the files of the CIC in the form of evidences produced by the members of this organization who, upon the arrival of the American forces, were taken into the service of the CIC, which evidences justified the arrests of numerous Japanese collaborators and spies.

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Upon organization of the Information Section of the 493rd Counter-Intelligence Corps Detachment, U. S. Army, and recognizing the ability of the members of this unit in investigative work, the following officers were appointed as Special Investigators, namely: Capt. Salvador Lacuna, lst Lts. Ramon Lapiña, Jose Mariano, Egmidio Pascua, Jose del Rosario, Abelardo Topacio, Arturo Kavier, Ambrosio Geraldez, Ricardo Deblois, Salustiano Piñaflor, Anuncio Valle, Crisostomo Valle, Basilides Alegre, Adolfo Arguelles, Ramon Balmaseda, Sofronio Caabay, Natividad Castro, Heraclito Diwa, Serafin Fausto, J. Salvador Gonzalez, Epifanio Villegas, Crisanto Guysayko, Jr., Servillano de Dios; Lts. Agustin Patricio, Edgar Bond and Dominador Pulido were employed in the Technical Laboratory of the same office, while Lt. Primitivo Bautista was taken in the clerical force of the same office. All of the above were appointed after having been vouched for and recommended by the CO of the P. U. M.

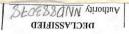
Lts. Arturo Xavier and Ricardo Deblois in their capacity as CIC Special Investigators were responsible for the conviction of six (6) Japanese spies and one (1) Filipino spy during the battle between American-Filipino Forces and Japanese troops east of Manila. These spies, sentenced to death and hanged by the Court Martial of the 6th Army, were: 1) Masahi Fujiwara 2) Kinichi Kawamoto 3) Takeo Oshiro 4) Akiji Nakamura 5) Siyoite Yoshino, also known as Shoichi Yoshino, 6) Shigeharu Asano and 7) Francisco Francisco, a Makapili. The first four persons mentioned were arrested at Caloccan on April 17, 1945, at 7:30 a.m. by Cpl. Kuty and Pvt. Dobbin of the 189th Ordnance Headquarters. The last three named individuals were arrested on April 21, 1945 at 7:00 a.m. at Barrio Caingin, Meycauayan, Bulacan. The abovenamed spies were investigated at the Information Division, 493rd CIC Detachment, U. S. Army, Manila.

For the news dissemination, the organization had purchased in the early part of the Japanese occupation an unreconditioned radio receiving set with earphones, for the purpose of receiving news broadcasts from the Allied fronts. This was the answer of the Philippine Underground Movement to the Japanese decree making it unlawful under severe penalty for any person to listen to Allied news broadcasts or to own a radio set not duly registered with the authorities and properly reconditioned (that is, severed of certain parts so as to make it unable to catch sound waves from the Allied This apparatus was placed under the charge of fronts). Capt. Alipio Nicolas at his house in Navotas, as the sole operator. Lt. Primitivo Bautista, Asst. Technical Officer and radio operator, checked the news in his unreconditioned radio. After the check-up the news were then disseminated through the intelligence officers and couriers. The news which Capt. Nicolas had regularly taken down in writing would be brought by him daily to the organization's headquarters, re-checked and edited, and passed on to the members for their information. This work, of course, carried incalculable risk on the part of Capt. Nicolas due to the rigid search to which he had been put through on his way by rapacious Japanese sentries whose duties were to search the person of every passerby. It devolved upon the members to make the disHIVES

semination by word of mouth to their respective districts. All these operations were so carefully done that it had no chance of coming into the intelligence of the Japanese military authorities. Attached are the originals of the news records obtained from radio broadcasts from America, Australia, England, Russia, and other Allied stations, daily for three years.

The composition of the Philippine Underground Move-ment is as follows:

- TAVERA, Joaquin Pardo de, Colonel, Commanding Officer.
- COSTA, Sixto de la, Lt. Colonel, Asst. Commanding Officer.
- LACUNA, Salvador D., Captain, Executive Officer, and OIC, Finance Section.
- 4. NICOLAS, Alipio, Captain, OIC, Technical Section.
- CAÑIZARES, Antonio, Captain, OIC, News dissemination, Dept. of Justice.
- SILLONA, Gaudencio, Captain (AUS), Ex-USAFFE Bataan Veteran, Philippine Scouts, OIC, news dissemination for Malacañang Offices and the Ilocos provinces.
- 7. CALMERIN, Eulalio, Captain, (1st Sgt., P. S., AUS), In charge, news dissemination for P. S. units and guerrillas in Rizal province.
- 8. ABIOG, Antonio, Captain (1st Lt., PA, USAFFE, Bataan Veteran), contact man for Anderson's Guerrillas.
- VILLEGAS, Epifanio, Captain, OIC, news dissemination for Colonel Ramsey's Guerrillas.
- ARANJUEZ, Florencio, 1st Lieut., Asst. Finance Officer and OIC, news dissemination, Bicol regions.
- 11. BAUTISTA, Primitivo, lst Lt., Asst. Technical Officer.
- PEÑALOSA, Miguel, 1st Lieut., Asst. Technical Officer.
- TORRES, Horacio, 1st Lieut., Asst. Technical Officer.
- 14. GUYSAYKO, Crisanto, Jr., 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer.
- 15. DIOS, Servillano de, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Liaison Agent, Bulacan Military Area Guerrillas.
- RAMOS, Amado, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Liaison Agent, Colonel Lapham Guerrillas.



- 17. BERNARDINO, Juan B., 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Asst. Financial Officer, liaison officer, guerrilla intelligence agents at large in the Manila area.
- 18. TINSAY, Amadeo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, liaison agent, 1st Tarlac regiment guerrilla army. In field action under American invasion forces in the Tarlac and Pampanga area.
- PULIDO, Dominador, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Marking's Guerrillas, Cavité Section.
- 20. DOTE, Dionisio (real name, YDIESTRA), lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer and contact agent with Philippine Scout guerrillas in Southern and Central Luzon.
- 21. LAPUT, Casiano, 1st Lieut., OIC, news dissemination for the Supreme Court and other offices of the Government in the Manila area, and contact man with the Anderson guerrillas in Nueva Ecija.
- 22. SISON, Claro P., 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, and OIC, Clerical unit.
- 23. IGNACIO, Felix J., 1st Lieut., (Deceased), Intelligence Officer. Killed in action in the Manila Area while on a mission to contact the Commanding General, 1st. Cavalry Division.
- 24. BAUTISTA, Francisco, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer, liaison agent, guerrillas at large, Nueva Ecija sector.
- 25. PIÑAFLOR, Salustiano, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Manila Area. Responsible for the dissemination of the famous letter of Governor Tomas Confesor of Panay to Puppet Mayor of Iloilo City, stating reasons why he (Confesor) could not collaborate with the Japanese.
- 26. SALUDO, Pastor, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, news disseminator for the Batangas-Tayabas sector.
- 27. VALLE, Anuncio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, liaison agent, Tarlac-Pangasinan Guerrillas, attached to the American invasion forces (Counter-Intelligence Corps), during the landing at Pangasinan.
- 28. VALLE, Crisostomo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 29. GALANG, Emilio, 1st Lieut. (3rd Lt. PA Res), Intelligence Officer at large.
- 30. PATRICIO, Agustin, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 31. BOND, Edgar, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 32. LUCHICO, Federico, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, at large.

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- 33. ALMANDO, Proceso, 1st Lieut., deceased, Intelligence Officer, killed in action while on a mission, South District of Manila.
- 34. ALEGRE, Basilides, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, liaison agent, 45th Infantry Division attached to 1st Cavalry Division, U. S. Army.
- 35. ARGUELLES, Adolfo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 36. BAHIA, Ernesto, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, contact man with Ramsey's guerrillas.
- 37. BALMACEDA, Ramon, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 38. BUENCAMINO, Alfredo, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 39. CAABAY, Sofronio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large, liaison agent, various guerrilla units in Luzon and Visayas.
- 40. CASTRO, Natividad, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 41. LACONICO, Luis, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 42. DADO, Luis, Jr., 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 43. DIWA, Heraclito, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer and liaison agent, Cavite guerrillas.
- 44. FAUSTO, Serafin, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 45. GONZALEZ, J. Salvador, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer and liaison agent, Ramsey's guerrillas.
- 46. LAGMAN, Oscar, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, OIC news dissemination, Pampanga sector.
- 47. LAPIÑA, Ramon, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 48. LAUREL, Godofredo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, OIC news dissemination, Batangas Area.
- 49. ILAGAN, Consolacion, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 50. LOPEZ, Hermenegildo, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large and contact agent, Batangas-Laguna sectors guerrillas.
- 51. MARIANO, Jose, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 52. NIETO, Manuel, 1st Lieut., deceased, Intelligence Officer.
- 53. PASCUA, Emigdio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.

- 54. PEÑA, Augusto, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 55. ROSARIO, Jose del, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 56. SISON, Juan, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 57. TESORO, Angel, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer.
- 58. TOPACIO, Abelardo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer.
- 59. VERZOSA, Antonio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer and liaison agent, Pangasinan guerrilla units.
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- 61. GERALDEZ, Ambrosio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
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- 63. DEBLOIS, Ricardo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 64. ZENAROSA, Trinidad, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 65. ROMERO, Jose, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 66. DIVINAGRACIA, Julito, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer, killed in action during a secret mission in Intramuros, Manila in February, 1945.
- 67. ZEÑADA, Pedro, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer, killed in action during a secret mission in Intramuros, Manila, in February, 1945.
- 68. PAYUMO, Juan, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 69. SANTOS, Enrique de los, 1st Lieut., Medical officer and Intelligence agent.
- SUACO, Dalmacio, 1st Lieut., medical officer and intelligence agent.
- 71. REYES, Rosalino, 1st Lieut., medical officer and intelligence agent.
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- 73. QUIBILAN, Guillermo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer. Killed in the Northern provinces in 1944.

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- 74. BAUTISTA, Genaro, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
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In support for the recognition of the Philippine Underground Unit as a guerrilla organization, the following evidences are hereby submitted:

- Exhibit 1 Envelope containing news broadcasts from American and other Allied Stations during the period of 26th January, 1942 to 31st December, 1942.
- Exhibit 2 Envelope containing news broadcasts from American and other Allied Stations during the period 1st January 1943 to 31st December 1943.
- Exhibit 3 Envelope containing news broadcasts from American and other Allied Stations during the period of lst January 1944 to 31st December 1944.
- Exhibit 4 Envelope containing news broadcasts from 1st January 1945 to 30th January 1945.
- Exhibit 5 Envelope containing Propaganda Materials against the Japanese Armed Forces in the forms of periodicals, pamphlets, and other matters.
- Exhibit 6 Guide Map in following up the progress of the war operations.
- Exhibit 7 Radio Receiving Set, Belmont Brand, and earphone attachment, used in hearing the news referred to in Exhibits 1, 2, 3, and 4. (Not submitted herewith. Will be presented upon request).

The exhibits referred to above are the only records of the activities of the PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT saved from the war operations, and it is requested that

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said exhibits be returned to this organization as soon as the purpose for its submission is accomplished. This request is made in order to codify these papers in a readable form and properly classify the evidence submitted in support of the recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement.

Very respectfully,

JOAQUIN PARDO DE TAVERA Col., MI Commanding Officer

ATTESTED:

SALVADOR D. IA CUNA Captuin, MI Executive Officer

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GEO. F. MOORE Major General, U. S. Army Commanding

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13 August 47

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#### DISCUSSION:

- 1. The Philippine Underground Movement (Intelligence Unit) was not favorably considered for recognition on 28 April 1947. Investigation revealed that the unit failed definitely to satisfy the requirements for recognition. (Report of investigation attached as Tab C)
- 2. In view of the fact that guerrilla units previously not favorably considered for recognition have not received any formal acknowledgement of their activities in the form of a certificate of merit, or any other certificate or decoration, it is recommended that no exception be made in the case of the Philippine Underground Movement (Intelligence Unit), as this unit is not considered worthy of such special consideration.
- 3. The policy of awarding a "Certificate of Consideration" was rejected by the Commanding General on 6 December 1946.
- 4. If the Commanding General desires to rescind this previous decision, it will involve 892 units, representing a total strength of 906,539 individuals. It is estimated that less than 10% of these units could satisfy the requirements for such consideration.
- 5. It is the opinion of the Guerrilla Affairs Division that to single out any number of unfavorably considered units for special consideration would only tend to open old grievances and further aggrevate the question of guerrilla recognition. A tremendous volume of correspondence would descend upon this headquarters and thus retard the closing of the Guerrilla Affairs Division.

### RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That no change in our present policy be made.
- 2. That the attached letter (Tab A) be approved for the signature of the Adjutant general and returned to this section for dispatch.

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Tab A (Proposed reply)

2 - Tab B (Ltr fr J. Pardo de Tavera)

3 - Tab C (Report of investigation)

S. E. FAINE Colonel, GSC



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File No. Certificate of Merit for Underground Organization. Subject 25 JUL 1947 TO : AG THRU: DC and C/S 23 July 47 (1) FROM: OCG Mr. de Tavera hand-carried inclosure to the Commanding General. The Commanding General desires to know if the "Philippine Underground Movement" is eligible for some type of formal recognition of their activities. It appears the Guerrilla Affairs Division has information on this unit. R. BROWN 1 Incl: Lt. Col., GSC Exec. Officer Ltr to Gen. Moore fr J. Pardo de Tavera, w/2 incls, dtd 16 July 47. 25 JUL 1947 (2) 25 JIII 1947 TO: G-3 FROM: AGAD

Forwarded as a matter pertaining to your office.

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JOHN R SPARK MAJOR AGD

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GEO. F. MOORE Major General, U. S. Army Commanding



#### Report on the Philippine Underground Movement, Intell Unit

- 1. Its Raul Diaz de Rivera and Pete C Breaz inspected the unit file of the Philippine Underground Movement. Intelligence Unit on 16 April 1947.
  - 2. ALLEGED HISTORY: (See attached Unit File).

#### 3. FINDINGS:

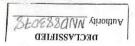
a. No field investigation was deemed necessary after a careful examination of the unit file and an interview with the following named persons:

Col Justiniano Estrella

CO, II Army Corps, FAIT CO, Hunters Guerrillas

Col Eleuterio Adevoso

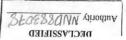
- b. Record of service was not substantiated by sufficient acceptable evidence. A study of the unit file revealed that the unit was not in active existence as a guerrilla organization. The members are mostly investigators and minor employees of the Division of Investigation (DI), Department of Justice of the defunct Commonwealth of the Philippines. They stayed on their jobs during the Japanese occupation, supposedly on orders of the CO, Joaquin Pardo de Tavera, at present Chief of the Division of Investigation, Republic of the Philippines. Among the activities claimed by the unit was the destroying of all confidential papers in the Division which might have aided the enemy. These papers (see page 3, Unit History) were destroyed, not because they were guerrillas, but, as a part of their work in the Division of Investigation.
- c. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field in opposition to the enemy, Par. 4, page 2 of the unit history clearly states that ... "members were also allowed, and in fact, encouraged to serve the combat units of other organizations..."
- d. A definite organization was not established by this unit. A complaint letter was received from Mr. Juan Bernardino, a member of the unit (see enclosure #1), stating among other things, that ... "Most of the members did not even know that they were commissioned officers of the said organization. There are no appointments issued to the alleged members, all they know is that their names appear in the roster after the papers were sent to AFWESPAC for recognition..."
- e. Performance of the unit did not indicate adequate control by its leaders. Members were allowed to join other organizations indicating that whatever control the CO had, was ineffective, which is indicative of a loosely organized unit.



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- f. Unit did not show satisfactory continuity of activity and organization. Unit cannot show evidence of active service accomplished during the occupation. A few members were engaged in propaganda and claimed to have circulated no less that 50 sets of typewritten news. For all purposes, the unit was non-existent during the Japanese occupation.
- g. Col Estrella (David) and Col Adevoso of the Hunters Guerrillas stated that they had never heard of the unit.
- h. No useful purpose will be accomplished by further investigation of this unit. The unit suffered no casualties.
- 4. POLITICAL ASPECTS: This unit does not appear to have any political affiliations nor aspirations.
- 5. RECOMMENDATIONS: It is recommended that the Philippine Underground Movement be not favorably considered for recognition.

PETE C. BREAZ 2nd Lt, INF RAUL DIAZ DE RIVERA 2nd Lt, FA





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UNITED STATES-PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES
PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT
(INTELLIGENCE UNIT)

450 Santander St., Sampaloc, Manila 16 July, 1947

Major Gen. George F. Moore Commanding General, PHILRYCOM, A.P.O. 707

Subject: Philippine Underground Movement

My dear Gen. Moore,

Reference is made to above subject on its request for recognition by your Headquarters for patriotic services rendered during the Japanese occupation of the Philippines.

Your Office, in its letters dated 28 April, 1947, 24 June, 1947, and 7 July, 1947 (signed by Thomas J. Brown, CWO, USA, Adj. Gen.) has consistently denied favorable reception of the evidence submitted by the above Unit in its application for the recognition of its services to the Allied cause, especially during the darkest hours of the Allied war efforts. A perusal, for instance of Exhibit 1, submitted on 30 January, 1946, to the Guerrilla Affairs Section, PHILRYCOM, is in itself a complete justification for the Unit's existence as one of the first, if not the first underground movement to counteract permicious enemy propaganda. This is a complete collection of Allied war news, taken personally by a member of our Unit from American, British, and other Allied broadcasts for dissemination to the Philippine people. This news courier service began in January, 1942 until January 30, 1945. The risk in picking up these news, coupled with the greater risk in disseminating the same, had been assumed by our Unit during the period of the Japanese occupation. It is therefore, earnestly requested that you please take a personal look at this exhibit in order that you may have a better appreciation of the services rendered by the Philippine Underground Movement during the Japanese occupation.

For your further information, members of the Philippine Underground Movement, were mostly Department of Justice Agents under the Philippine Commonwealth of which the undersigned is the Chief. The undersigned and other members of this Unit were imprisoned in Fort Santiago precisely on charges of the Unit's activities



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on counter Japanese propaganda and other anti-enemy activities contained in this letter. These agents and other personnel are now comprising the investigative and technical staff of the National Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, with the undersigned as Acting Director. It is therefore preposterous to assume that we are requesting recognition based on unacceptable evidence.

The Philippine Underground Movement is requesting recognition of its services rendered to the Allied cause, not as a guerrilla organization, which it has never claimed to be, but as a resistance movement entity. We do not aspire to or claim for any kind of monetary reward and would not accept same even if offered. It is our belief that patriotism cannot be appraised in terms of money or other pecuniary consideration. It is our desire, that, based on evidence submitted, the Philippine Underground Movement's humble services to the Allied cause be acknowledged by your Command as having performed acts which contributed to the liberation of our country through the granting of a Certificate of Merit to the Philippine Underground Movement.

Yours very gespectfully,

J. PARDO DE TAVERA
Commanding Officer



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#### UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT INTELLIGENCE UNIT

Headquarters: 450 Santander. Sampaloc, Manila June 23, 1947

The Commanding General Philippine-Rykyukus Command U. S. Army, Manila

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Reference is made to our letter dated 8 May, 1947, regarding request for reconsideration in the recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement, an underground unit during the enemy occupation. We would appreciate it very much if a reconsideration of our petition could be made at your earliest convenience.

Submitted hereunder is a casualty list of this unit for your consideration:

1. Julito Divinagracia 2. Pedro Senada

3. Guillermo Quibilan

4. Felix J. Ignacio

5. Proceso Almando

6. Manuel Nieto (died of natural ailment after liberation).

A revised list of the composition of this unit is herewith submitted:

1. TAVERA, Joaquin Pardo de, Colonel, CO, 2. LACUNA, Salvador D., Capt., Executive Officer, and OIC, Finance Section,

3. NICOLAS, Alipio, Capt., OIC, Technical Section,
4. SILLONA, Gaudencio, Capt., (AUS), Ex-USAFFE,
Bataan Veteran, Philippine Scouts, OIC,

news dissemination for Malacanang Offices

and the Ilocos provinces,

5. CALMERIN, Eulalio, Capt., (1st Sgt., P.S. AUS),
In charge, news dissemination for P.S. units
and guerrillas in Rizal province,

6. ABIOG, Antonio, Capt., (1st Lt., PA, USAFFE, Bataan Veteran), contact man for Anderson's Guerrillas,

7. VILLEGAS, Epifanio, Capt., OIC, news dissemination for Colonel Ramsey's Guerrillas,

8. ARANJUEZ, Florencio, 1st Lt., Asst. Finance Officer and OIC, news dissemination, Bicol

regions, 9. BAUTISTA, Primitivo, lst Lt., Asst. Technical

Officer, 10. PENALOSA, Miguel, 1st Lt. Asst. Technical Officer.

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- 11. TORRES. Horacio, 1st Lt., Asst. Technical
- Officer, 12. GUYSAYKO, Crisanto, Jr., 1st Lt. Intelligence
- Officer, 13. DIOS,
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- 16. FULIDO, Dominador, 1st Lt., Intelligence Of-ficer, Marking's Guerrias, Cavite Section, 17. DOTS, Dionisie (real name, YDIESTRA), 1st Lt., Intelligence Officer and contact agent with Philippine Scout guerrillas in Southern
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Mr. J. Pardo de Tavera 450 Santander Sampaloc, Manila Philippines

7 JUL 1947

Dear Mr. Pardo de Taveras

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 23 June 1947, requesting reconsideration of the unfavorable decision rendered by this headquarters on 28 April 1947 with regard to the request for recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of letter, this headquarters, dated 24 June 1947, which was forwarded in reply to a similar request for reconsideration from your executive officer, Mr. Salvador D. Lacuma,

The letter to Mr. Salvador D. Lacuma constitutes final determination of and action upon the claim for recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement,

Sincerely,

1 Incls L'er to Mr. Salvador D. Lacuna this hq, dtd 24 June 47

THOMAS J. BROWN CWO, USA ASST ADJ GEN

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Basic, ltr fr Mr. J. Pardo De Tavera to CG PHILRYGOM, dtd 23 Jun 47, requesting reconsideration of the Philippine Underground

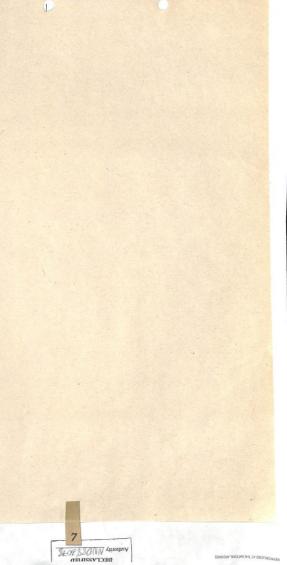
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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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APO 707

23 JUN 1947

Mr. Salvador D Lacuna 450 Santander, Manila Philippines

Dear Mr. Lacuna:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 8 May 1947, in which you request reconsideration of the unfavorable decision rendered by this headquarters on 28 April 1947 with regard to the request for recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement.

During the initial investigation of this unit, full and just consideration was given to all pertinent records and substantiating evidence submitted in support of the unit claim for recognition, and a careful analysis was made of all other available information of the activities of the unit from its inception. As a result of this investigation, the unit was not favorably considered for recognition.

In view of your request for reconsideration, a thorough review has been made of all the information on which the original decision of non-recognition was based, and a detailed examination was made of the additional evidence submitted with your letter of 8 May 1947. This study has failed definitely to reveal any material which would justify additional consideration of your organization. In view of the complete absence of any basis for reconsideration, it is felt that no useful purpose would be served by any further investigation.

We therefore regret to inform you that your request for reconsideration of the Philippine Underground Movement cannot be accepted.

This letter constitutes the final determination of and action upon the claim for recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement.

Sincerely,

Sol Gerard F. Millard:

THOMAS J. BROWN

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UNITED STATES-PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES
PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT
INTELLIGENCE UNIT

Headquarters: 450 Santander, Manila 8 May 1947

The Commanding General Philippine-Ryukus Command U. S. Army, Manila

Sir:

Reference is made to the attached copy of letter of your Office (Sgd. Thomas J. Brown, CWO, USA, Asst. Adj. Gen.) dated 28 April, 1947, wherein recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement, to quote, "is not deemed to be warranted". Reasons adduced to warrant unfavorable action were stated, as quoted from attached letter, as follows:

- 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. A definite organization was not established.
- d. Performance of the unit did not indicate adequate control by its leaders.
- e. Unit did not show satisfactorily continuity of activity and organization.

Reference (a) above - At the time the Philippine Underground Movement was organized, (Dec., 1941) the idea of keeping a written roster of organization was not considered favorably in view of the great risk involved in case said roster should fall into the hands of the enemy. However, in view of the small membership of the organization and the compactness of its composition, it was deemed, for all practical and expedient purposes, to maintain within the brains of the members, the composition of the Unit, in addition to other subscribing members who presented their affiliations to the undersigned. The best evidence of records of service of the organization is a complete record of broadcasts relayed from Allied Stations, notably, KGEI (San Francisco) picked up by this organization's listening post during the period January, 1942 to January, 1945 and distributed to guerrilla units as well as to the Filipino people and marked Exhibit 1 submitted on 30 January, 1946 to the Guerrilla Affairs Section, Philippine Army Division, G-3 Section, AFWESEAC, It is requested that this evidence be looked into again in order that a just appreciation of the record of service of this Unit may be evaluated properly.

Reference (b) above - The Philippine Underground Movement was maintained in the field in opposition to the enemy to counter act Japanese propaganda thru dissemination of Allied news to the Philippine people at large. For a better appreciation of this allegation, it is respectfully requested that reference be made to Exhibit I of the Philippine Underground Movement on file in your Office.



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Headquarters: 450 Santander, Manila 8 May 1947

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Reference (d) above - The best evidence that the performance of the Unit was under adequate control by its leaders is the fact that J. Fardo de Tavers as Commanding Officer and Salvador D. Lacuma as his Executive Officer assumed effective operation control of the Unit in its varied counter-espionage and counter propaganda activities. This is evidenced by the members of the Unit, who, before performing their assigned white softices and Executive Officer. These instructions from these officers, invariably, have been complied with during the duration of the Unit's activities against the energy.

Baffeense (e) above - Continuity of activity of the Philippine Underground Novement is proved satisfactorily by Exhibit 1 referred to above. A perusal of this Exhibit 1 shows that Alled information on war operations and other vital matters had been in continuous receipt of the Philippine Underground Novement from Jamesry, 1942 to January, 1943, e period of three beautiful principles of the Philippine phologround Novement From January 1943 to the Philippine people and Guerrilia fighting forces as soon as released by the Philippine Underground Novement headquarters.

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We would like to emphasize that the request for recognition is not premised on financial or monetary considerations and benefits but a recognition of the patrictic work and serrifices made by the Philippine buseground Movement and its defices that the property of the property of the property States and the Philippines in particular and the Allies in ceneral in the war operations against the common energy.

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1. The "Philippine Underground Movement, Intelligence Unit", consisting of				
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nized. This is an initial investigation.				
2. This unit does not fulfil the requirements of the five basic points for recognition. See attached Team Leader's Report.				
3. No useful purpose will be accomplished by further investigation of this unit.				
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Hr. Joseph Perdo de Tevere c/o Hr. Selvedor Leann 450 Sertender, Sempleo Hedle, Fhlippinso

Dear Mr. de Teveres

The Committing General has directed that you be informed that the Fhilippine Underground Housens, purporting to be a guarafilm organisation under your menical control, is not inversely considered for recognition as an element of the Fhilippine Army.

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3. Concurs It Col S J Poles Chief, Unit Branch

## Report on the Philippine Underground Movement, Intell Unit

- 1. Its Raul Dies de Rivers end Pete C Breas inspected the unit file of the Fmilippine Underground Movement, Intelligence Unit on 16 April 1947.
  - 2. ALLEGED HISTORY: (See attached unit file)
  - 3. FINDINGS:
- a. No field investigation was deemed necessary after a careful examination of the unit file and an interview with the fellowing named persons:

Col Justiniano Estrella Col Eleuterio Adevoso CO, III Army Corps, FAIT CO, Hunters Guerrillas

- b. Record of service was not substantiated by sufficient acceptable evidence. A study of the unit file revealed that the unit was not in active existence as a guerrilla organization. The members are mostly investigators and minor employees of the Division of Investigation (DI), Department of Justice of the defunct Commonwealth of the Philippines. They stayed on their jobs during the Japanese occupation, supposedly on orders of the CO, Jeaquin Pardo de Tavera, at present Chief of the Division of Investigation, Republic of the Philippines.

  Among the activities claimed by the unit was the destroying of all confidential papers in the Division which might have sided the enemy. These papers (see page 3, Unit History) were destroyed, not because they were guerrillas, but, as a part of their work in the Division of Investigation.
- c. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field in opposition to the enemy. Par. 4, page 2 of the unit history clearly states that ...... "members were also allowed, and in fact, encouraged to serve the combat units of other organizations...."
- d. A definite organization was not established by this unit.
  A complaint letter was received from Mr. Juan Bernardino, a member of the unit (see enclosure #1), stating among other things, that ... "Mest of the members did not even know that they were commissioned officers of the said organization. There are no appointments issued to the alleged members, all they know is that their names appear in the roster after the papers were sent to AFWESPAC for recognition..."
- e. Performance of the unit did not indicate adequate control by its leaders. Members were allowed to join other organizations indicating that whetever control the CO had, was ineffective, which is indicative, of a leasely organized unit.



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h. No useful purpose will be accomplished by further investigation of this unit. The unit suffered no casualties.

4. POLITICAL ASPECTS: This unit does not appear to have any political affiliations nor aspirations.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Philippine Underground Sovement be not favorably considered for recognition.

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United States-Philippine Islands Forces
PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT
450 Santander, Manila

March 17, 1947

G-3 # 141

Office of the Commanding General United States Army Forces, Western Pacific, APO 707

(Att'n: Thomas J. Brown, CWO)

Sir:

on 28 October, 1946 we wrote you a letter requesting the recognition status of the Philippine Underground Movement, USFIF. This letter was answered by your reply letter dated 25 November, 1946 wherein you stated that inquiries on the matter be deferred for at least 60 days, presumably from the date of your letter.

The 60 day period has already elapsed but as yet no information has been received from your office regarding the status of the application for recognition of the Fhilippine Underground Movement, USFIF. It is therefore requested that this unit be informed of whatever action you have so far taken regarding its recognition.

Very respectfully,

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SALVADOR D. LACUNA

Executive Officer

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March 17, 1947

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Mr. Salvador D. Lacuna 450 Santander, Manila

Dear Mr. Lacuna:

Your letter dated 25 October 1916 requesting the status of the Philippine Underground Movement, USPIF, has been received.

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Your application for recognition has been filed in this headquarters pending further investigation. A great number of similar applications requiring investigation has been received and a considerable delay is to be expected before final action in your case. However, your application will receive attention at the earliest practicable date and you will be informed promptly when a decision is reached.

It is suggested that you defer further inquiry regarding the status of your application for at least 60 days. Such inquiries are neither necessary nor decirable because the time consumed in additional correspondence and interviews serves to delay final disposition.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS J. BROWN CWO, USA ASST ADJ GEN

Lt Col Hugh L. Carnehans

Receipt acknowledged of letter from Salvador D. Lacuna, dated 28 October 1946, requesting the status of the Philippine Underground Movement, USPIF.

Maj George W. Titus



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United States-Philippine Islands Forces
PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT
450 Santander, Manila

28 October 1946

The Commanding Officer Guerrilla Affairs Branch (Philippine Army Section) AFWESPAC, APO 707

sir:

Request that this organization be informed as to the action taken by your office in the application for recognition of this Unit and further instruction necessary in order to meet requirements for recognition.

Very respectfully,

SALVADOR D. LACUNA
Executive Officer

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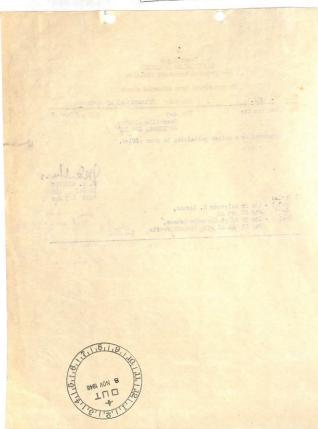
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# UNITED STATES-PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT INTELLIGENCE UNIT

Headquarters: 450 Santander, Manila

TO: The Commending General Guerilla Affairs Section Philippine Army Division G-3 Section, AFWESPAC.

Subject: Letter of transmittal.

Transmitted herewith are the following papers reference request for recognition of the Intelligence Unit, PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT, United States-Philippine Islands Forces, i. e.;

1. Historical Background of the organization 2. Supporting evidences, Exhibits I, II, III, IV, V, and VI.

Request that the exhibits mentioned in No. 2, paragraph 1, be returned to the Unit Headquarters as soon as the purpose for which they may be used is terminated.

J. PARDO DE TAVERA Colonel, MI

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Incls .- As stated above.

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UNITED STATES - PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES
PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT
(INTELLIGENCE UNIT)

Headquarters: 450 Santander Manila, 30 January 1946

## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Submitted herewith is a brief historical background of the Intelligence Unit, PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVE-MENT, United States - Philippine Islands Forces, during the period January 1942 to 30 January 1945.

This organization, which was formed under the auspices of the major part of the pre-war personnel of the Division of Investigation of the Philippine Department of Justice, was made up largely of officers and employees of the said Division with whom were affiliated a number of outside elements for purposes of convenient contacts.

The aims of the organization were (1) to conduct extensive espionage work and (2) to keep up the public morale and the people's faith in the United States and the Commonwealth of the Philippines.

On 28 December 1941, when hopes of saving the country from the enemy's occupation were fast beginning to fade as a result of the successive reverses suffered by our forces in the fields and the impending surrender of the capital, the undersigned saw that it was his clear duty to his beloved country, to follow the footsteps of his father who also served faithfully his country and suffered therefor imprisonment in Fort Santiago and exile in Guam in the hands of the Spaniards after the Cavite Revolt of 1872 and to do his utmost to offer resistance to the invading forces. The undersigned instructed a number of his agents to form an underground unit from the rank and file of the Division of Investigation to spy on the activities and movements of the enemy and his collaborators and see that the results of their work find their way into the hands of our defending forces.

This line of service was particularly chosen by the undersigned as the most suitable field in which the undersigned and his men could render maximum service and results, by reason of the technical training they have had precisely along this line of activity and of the fact that long before the outbreak of the war the entire force of the Division had already been working on Japanese espionage activities in the Philippines. Their findings then were all made known to the Intelli-

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gence Service of the United States Army at Fort Santiago. By way of verification, reference may be made to Colonel Evans and later Major Reynolds, both of G-2

During the first few weeks since the march of the Japanese forces of occupation on Manila, it gradually became apparent that the Japanese high command, by a series of unequivocal moves, aimed at a rigid censorship of the press and of all forms of communications calculated to crush the morale of the people and to cut off the bonds that had long united them with the mother country and the fatherland. The enemy took over the control of the press, the radio, the mails, etc. and started a systematic propaganda resorting frequently to glaring falsehoods and exaggerations.

If such state of affairs were allowed to go on unchallenged, it surely was to work out very harmful effects upon the cause of America and the Commonwealth and poison the minds of the Filipinos. Nobody in the ranks of the Philippine Underground Movement was willing to allow this to occur to our people. It was, therefore, unanimously decided to counteract the Japanese propaganda by means of a similar counter-propaganda.

For this purpose we have circulated typewritten news from the front as received through the radio and tried to bolster the morale of our people by any available means. No less than fifty sets of such news were secretly circulated in Manila and the neighboring towns through the members of the unit. It is unfortunate, however, that not a single copy is now in existence due to raids made by the Japanese military police upon the dewellings of certain members of the association and upon the very building occupied by the Division of Investigation at 124 Arzobispo Street, Intramuros, in the latter part of February, 1942, and in the second half of March of the same year, resulting in the seizure of eight copies and the arrest and torture of some of the members, particularly the undersigned, and because of the strict surveillance under which the members of the organization had been placed thereafter, which did not cease until the very end of their stay in the city. We were, however, successful in preserving practically all the handwriting original notes of later broadcasts from America, Australia, and other Allied nations, the dissemination of which took on this time a more careful These later radio news records were circulated by means of the original to the members and by word of mouth to the public.

It must be mentioned in this connection that while remaining as an integral part of this unit, the members were also allowed, and in fact, encouraged to serve in the combat units of other organizations if by so doing they could be of greater service to the common cause. No less than one third of the members actually fought and died in the service of other guerrilla units.

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When upon the entry of their armed forces into Manila at the opening of the year 1942, the Japanese high command issued orders to the effect that the public functionaries of the outgoing government should stay in their respective posts, the leadership of the Philippine Underground Movement saw an opportunity for misleading the military authorities about the real character of the members. It was feared that if they stayed outside of the government, after having been told to remain, suspicion would be cast upon them as rebels or guerrillas. And this suspicion could be all the more strengthened by their having no apparent means of livelihood. Therefore, the members decided after consulting with the undersigned, to continue with their old jobs. However, the undersigned, personally and with the help of trusted members of the PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT, destroyed all confidential records of the Office of the pre-war Division of Investigation which might have been of aid and importance to the enemy. Among these papers were:

- 1. A complete roster of Reserve Officers of the Philippine Army kept in the Office of the Division of Investigation. In this roster were listed Philippine Army officers on active duty, both as intelligence agents of the USAFFE and those assigned in the fighting services at Batan and Corregidor.
- A complete list of Japanese nationals subjected to espionage investigation by the Division of Investigation, Department of Justice.
- Copies of D-I intelligence reports procured by 1st Lieut. Trinidad Zenarosa, regarding Japanese military activities in the Philippines previous to the enemy invasion.
- Intelligence reports of D-I agents on cases involving Japanese holdings in various parts of the Philippines.
- Intelligence reports on fascistic elements in the Philippines prior to the outbreak of the war.
- 6. Other incriminating papers of military value to the Axis powers.

Their continuance in the government service at such a time redounded to great advantage to the interests of the organization, for not only did the ruse thus set up prove successful in warding off military suspicion, but that the unit was enabled to make use of the D-I building at Intramuros as its headquarters and meeting place -- a very ideal place for that purpose --, and the members were afforded a means for a living and for financing the expenses of the organization, without

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really earning it. For during the period of three years in which the Division of Investigation was in existence under the enemy, the office personnel had done essentially nothing but receive their salaries when due.

This official inactivity was due to three main reasons: first, due to the refusal of then Judge Lt. Col. Sixto de la Costa (a member of this underground unit), then the head of the Bureau of Justice under which the Division of Investigation was placed during the first two and a half years of the occupation, to put the Division to work; secondly, the habit of feighing sickness and other imagined causes on the part of the employees whenever given any definite assignments; and thirdly, the absence of funds set aside for traveling and other expenses of personnel making the performance of their field assignments impossible.

The risk to life undergone by the members of the organization in those days of terror cannot be underestimated. For as early as March 2, 1942, the head of the organization was arrested on a charge of espionage, of news dissemination and many other serious charg-He was confined in Fort Santiago where he was tortured in an effort to obtain from him a confession of guilt and to disclose the names of hia associates. Eight most incriminating papers were seized in his possession after a rigid search of his house and the office of the Division of Investigation. These papers included some of those news releases mentioned in the earlier part of this report. He was also charged for being a liaison officer between the occupied areas and President Quezon. He had been tortured, mangled and imprisoned for a period of about sixty days, but due to his insistent denials of said accusations and although sentenced to death twice, he was finally released due to his very serious physical condition, having among other injuries, a broken nose and lost hearing on the left ear. Later he entered the Philippine General Hospital where he remained six months and had to undergo two major operations. As an inevitable consequence, his position as Chief of the Division of Investigation was filled by Mr. Higinio B. Macadaeg, formerly a Judge-atlarge.

A month later, while the leader of the organization was yetundergoing the ordeals of torture and punishment, and although he had assumed all responsibility for any hostile acts alleged to have been committed by the agents of the Division of Investigation, four other members of the unit were arrested on a charge of news dissemination. Their houses were searched and they were confined in Fort Santiago, where they were submitted to similar atroctities. These four persons, who were among the active leaders of the movement, are lst Lts. Arturo Xavier, Jose S. Gonzales, Ricardo Deblois, and Claro P. Sison. The failure of the investigators to obtain admission of the charges imputed upon them nor to find incriminating papers in their possession, prompted their release a few days later.

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From these last arrests, the organization found itself in a period of relative peace until the Ameri-No single arrest was made on can landing in Leyte. the membership of the organization, although the surveillance was still on. There was a time, however, when the organization found itself in a great danger of wholesale persecution and its leader in danger of being rearrested, when the San Francisco news broadcasting indiscreetly mentioned, (Referring to the Commonwealth Division of Investigation, Dept. of Justice), the existence in the Philippines of an organized unit patterned after the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the United States, doing underground work against the Japanese. This organization, undoubtedly, was the unit meant, i. e. the Division of Investigation. It is fortunate, however, that the Japanese authorities apparently did not understand or give this revelation its real significance. Then, too, it appeared that the military police were on the trail of two members of the organization, as inquiries were made of their residences and Nothing however developed from this. their activities.

At the time the Battle of Manila was raging, the following members were killed by the military police in Fort Santiago: Messrs. Julito Divinagracia and Pedro Señada. Then Messrs. Felix Ignacio and Proceso G. Almando were killed in action.

Mention was hereinbefore made of the building occupied by the Division of Investigation at Intramuros as the meeting place and headquarters of the members. This was so from the beginning until the merging of the Division of Investigation under the Bureau of Investigation, with office at the City Hall Building. This was a few months before the arrival of the Americans. During the latter period, the headquarters and meeting place was moved to 332 Raon Street, under the guise of a hard-ware store, as there was no longer any privacy and se-curity in the City Hall Building. The Raon headquarters remained as such until the end of the Japanese occupa-The leader of the organization, since his confinement in Fort Santiago, had not been meeting the members openly, although couriers regularly came to him at his residence at 814 M. H. del Pilar, from which he issued his instructions for the compliance of the members, and later at the Philippine General Hospital where he was confined for six months for two major operations resulting from his maltreatment in Fort Santiago. This arrangement was due to the rigid watchfulness to which he has been subjected since his arrest.

With respect to the financing of the organization, expenses were paid at first from contributions regularly collected from the members, generally from their salaries. Later on, however, when the cost of living was making its full weight felt upon everybody, a few more fortunate members volunteered to bear the greatest fulk of the reimbursements. Upon the shoulder of Capt. Salvador Lacuna fell almost all the burden.

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To accomplish the assumed mission of the organization in espionage, messages were transmitted to the Allied forces through liaison agents. The other important findings of the intelligence staff may be found in the files of the CIC in the form of evidences produced by the members of this organization who, upon the arrival of the American forces, were taken into the service of the CIC, which evidences justified the arrests of numerous Japanese collaborators and spies.

Upon organization of the Information Section of the 493rd Counter-Intelligence Corps Detachment, U. S. Army, and recognizing the ability of the members of this unit in investigative work, the following officers were appointed as Special Investigators, namely: Capt. Salvador Lacuna, 1st Lts. Ramon Lapiña, Jose Mariano, Egmidio Pascua, Jose del Rosario, Abelardo Topacio, Arturo Xavier, Ambrosio Geraldez, Ricardo Deblois, Salustiano Piñaflor, Anuacio Valle, Crisostomo Valle, Basilides Alegre, Adolfo Arguelles, Ramon Balmaseda, Sofronio Caabay, Natividad Castro, Heraclito Diwa, Serafin Fausto, J. Salvador Gonzales, Epifanio Villegas, Crisanto Guysayko Jr., Servillano de Dios; Lts. Agustin Patricio, Edgar Bond and Dominador Fulido were employed in the Technical Laboratory of the same office, while Lt. Frimitivo Bautista was taken in the clerical force of the same office. All of the above were appointed after having been vouched for and recommended by the CO of the P. U. M.

Lts. Arturo Xavier and Ricardo Deblois in their capacity as CIC Special Investigators were responsible for the conviction of six (6) Japanese spies and one (1) Filipino spy during the battle between American-Filipino Forces and Japanese troops east of Manila. These spies, sentenced to death and hanged by the Court Martial of the 6th Army, were: 1) Masashi Fujiwara 2) Kinichi Kawamoto 3) Takeo Oshiro 4) Akiji Nakamura 5) Siyoite Yoshino, also known as Shoichi Yoshino, 6) Shigeharu Asano and 7) Francisco Francisco, a Makapili. The first four persons mentioned were arrested at Caloocan on April 17, 1945, at 7:30 a.m. by Cpl. Kuty and Pvt. Dobbin of the 189th Ordnance Headquarters. The last three named individuals were arrested on April 21, 1945 at 7:00 a.m. at Barrio Caingin, Meycauayan, Bulacan. The above-named spies were investigated at the Information Division, 493rd CIC Detachment, U. S. Army, Manila.

For the news dissemination, the organization had purchased in the early part of the Japanese occupation an unreconditioned radio receiving set with earphones, for the purpose of receiving news broadcasts from the Allied fronts. This was the answer of the Philippine Underground Movement to the Japanese decree making it unlawful under severe penalty for any person to listen to Allied news broadcasts or to own a radio set not duly registered with the authorities and properly reconditioned (that is, severed of certain parts so as to make it unable to catch sound waves from the Allied fronts). This apparatus was placed under the charge of Capt. Allipio Nicolas at his house in Navotas, as the sole operator. Lt. Pri-

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mitivo Bautista, Asst. Technical Officer and radio operator checked the news in his unreconditioned radio. After the check-up the news were then disseminated through the intelligence officers and couriers. The news which Capt. Nicolas had regularly taken down in writing would be brought by him daily to the organization's headquarters, re-checked and edited, and passed on to the members for their information. This work, of course, carried incalculable risk on the part of Capt. Nicolas due to the rigid search to which he had been put through on his way by rapacious Japanese sentries whose duties were to search the person of every passer-It devolved upon the members to make the dissemination by word of mouth to their respective districts. All these operations were so carefully done that it had no chance of coming into the intelligence of the Japanese military authorities. Attached are the originals of the news records obtained from radio broadcasts from America, Australia, England, Russia, and other Allied stations, daily for three years.

The composition of the Philippine Underground Movement is as follows:

- 1. TAVERA, Joaquin Pardo de, Colonel, Commanding Officer.
- 2. COSTA, Sixto de la, Lt. Colonel, Asst. Commanding Officer.
- 3. IACUNA, Salvador D., Captain, Executive Officer, and OIC, Finance Section.
- 4. NICOLAS, Alipio, Captain, OIC, Technical Section.
- CANIZARES, Antonio, Captain, OIC, News dissemination, Dept. of Justice.
- 6. SILLONA, Gaudencio, Captain (AUS), Ex-USAFFE Bataan Veteran, Philippine Scouts, OIC, news dissemination for Malacañang Offices and the Ilocos provinces.
- 7. CALMERIN, Eulalio, Captain, (1st Sgt., P. S., AUS), In charge, news dissemination for P. S. units and guerfillas in Rizal province.
- 8. ABIOG, Antonio, Captain (1st Lt., PA, USAFFE, Bataan Veteran), contact man for Anderson's Guerrillas.
- 9. VILIEGAS, Epifanio, Captain, OIC, news dissemination for Colonel Ramsey's Guerrillas.
- ARANJUEZ, Florencio, 1st Lieut., Asst. Finance Officer and OIC, news dissemination, Bicol regions.
- 11. BAUTISTA, Primitivo, 1st Lt., Asst. Technical Officer.
- 12. PENALOSA, Miguel, 1st Lieut., Asst. Technical Officer.
- 13. TORRES, Horacio, 1st Lieut., Asst. Technical Officer.
- 14. GUYSAYKO, Crisanto, Jr., 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer.

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- 16. DIOS, Servillano de, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Liaison Agent, Bulacan Military Area Guerrillas.
- 17. RAMOS, Amado, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Liaison Agent, Colonel Lapham Guerrillas.
- 18. BERNARDINO, Juan B., 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Asst. Financial Officer, liaison officer, guerrilla intelligence agents at large in the Mannila area.
- 19. TINSAY, Amadeo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, liaison agent, 1st Tarlac regiment guerrilla army. In field action under American invasion forces in the Tarlac and Pampanga area.
- 20. PULIDO, Dominador, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer,
  Marking's Guerrillas, Cavite Section.
- 21. DOTE, Dionisio (real name, YDIESTRA), lst Lieut.,
  Intelligence Officer and contact agent with Philippine Scout guerrillas in Southern and Central
  Luzon.
- 22. IAPUT, Casiano; 1st Lieut., OIC, news dissemination for the Supreme Court and other offices of the Government in the Manila area, and contact man with the Anderson guerrillas in Nueva Ecija.
- 23. SISON, Claro P., 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, and OIC, Clerical unit.
- 24. IGNACIO, Felix J., 1st Lieut. (Deceased), Intelligence Officer. Killed in action in the Manila Area while on a mission to contact the Commanding General, 1st. Cavalry Division.
- 25. BAUTISTA, Francisco, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer, liaison agent, guerrillas at large, Nueva Ecija sector.
- 26. PIÑAFLOR, Salustiano, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, Manila Area. Responsible for the dissemination of the famous letter of Governor Tomas Confesor of Panay to Puppet Mayor of Ilcilo City, stating reasons why he (Confesor) could not collaborate with the Japanese.
- 27. SALUDO, Pastor, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, news disseminator for the Batangas-Tayabas sector.
- 28. VALLE, Anuncio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, liaison agent, Tarlac-Pangasinan Guerrillas, attached to the American invasion forces (Counter-intelligence Corps), during the landing at Pangasinan.
- 29. VALIE, Crisostomo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 30. GAIANG, Emilio, 1st Lieut. (3rd Lt. PA Res), Intelligence Officer at large.



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- 31. PATRICIO, Agustin, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 32. BOND, Edgar, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 33. LUCHICO, Federico, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer, at large.
- 34. ALMANDO, Proceso, 1st Lieut., deceased, Intelligence Officer, killed in action while on a mission, South District of Manila.
- 35. ALEGRE, Basilides, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer, liaison agent, 45th Infantry Division attached to 1st Cavalry Division, U. S. Army.
- 36. ARGUEILES, Adolfo, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 37. BAHTA, Ernesto, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, contact man with Ramsey's guerrillas.
- 38. BAIMACEDA, Ramon, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 39. BUENCAMINO, Alfredo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 40. CAABAY, Sofronio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large, liaison agent, various guerrilla units in Luzon and Visayas.
- 41. CASTRO, Natividad, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 42. IACONICO, Luis, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 43. DADO, Luis, Jr., 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 44. DIWA, Heraclito, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer and liaison agent, Cavite guerrillas.
- 45. FAUSTO, Serafin, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 46. GONZALEZ, J. Salvador, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer and liaison agent, Ramsey's guerrillas.
- 47. LAGMAN, Oscar, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, OIC news dissemination, Pampanga sector.
- 48. LAPIÑA, Ramon, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 49. LAUREL, Godofredo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer, OIC news dissemination, Batangas Area.
- 50. ILAGAN, Consolacion, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 51. LOPEZ, Hermenegildo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large and contact agent, Batangas-Laguna sectors guerrillas.



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- 52. MARIANO, Jose, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 53. NIETO, Manuel, 1st Lieut., deceased, Intelligence officer.
- 54. PASCUA, Emigdio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 55. PENA, Augusto, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 56. ROSARIO, Jose del, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 57. SISON, Juan, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 58. TESORO, Angel, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer.
- 59. TOPACIO, Abelardo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence officer.
- 60. VERZOSA, Antonio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer and liaison agent, Pangasinan guerrilla units.
- 61. XAVIER, Arturo, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large and contact agent for scattered guerrilla units in the Manila area.
- 62. GERALDEZ, Ambrosio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 63. TIPACE, Deogracias, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 64. DEBLOIS, Ricardo, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 65. ZENAROSA, Trinidad, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 66. ROMERO, Jose, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 67. DIVINAGRACIA, Julito, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer, killed in action during a secret mission in Intramuros, Manila, on February, 1945.
- 68. ZEÑADA, Pedro, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer, killed in action during a secret mission in Intramuros, Manila, on February, 1945.
- 69. PAYUMO, Juan, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 70. SANTOS, Enrique de los, 1st Lieut., Medical officer and Intelligence agent.
- 71. SUACO, Dalmacio, 1st Lieut., medical officer and intelligence agent.
- 72. REYES, Rosalino, 1st Lieut., medical officer and Intelligence agent.
- 73. BRION, Ernesto, 1st Lieut., medical officer and Intelligence agent.



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- 74. QUIBILAN, Guillermo, lst Lieut., Intelligence Officer. Killed in the Northern provinces in 1944.
- 75. BAUTISTA, Genaro, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 76. FRANCISCO, Narciso, 1st Sgt., caretaker of headquarters premises.
- 77. SALVO, Alberto, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 78. AUSTRIA, Silverio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 79. FIGUERAS, Herminio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer at large.
- 80. SIMEON, Brigido, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer and liaison agent, Bicol Regions guerrillas.
- 81. NICOLAS, Cornelio, 1st Lieut., Intelligence Officer,
- 82. MADRID, Emilio, Captain (Captain, USAFFE, unsurrendered Bataan Veteran), Intelligence Officer, on Special Detail, Nueva Ecija Tayabas Sector.
- 83. BONZON, Simeon, 2nd Lieut., Asst. Technical Officer.
- 84. VILLEGAS, Antonio, 2nd Lieut., Intelligence Officer and Contact Agent, Ramsey's Guerrilla unit.

In support for the recognition of the Philippine Underground Unit as a guerrilla organization, the following evidences are hereby submitted:

Exhibit 1 - Envelope containing news broadcasts from American and other Allied Stations during the period of 26th January, 1942 to 31st December, 1942.

Exhibit 2 - Envelope containing news broadcasts from American and other Allied Stations during the period 1st January, 1943 to 31st December, 1943.

Exhibit 3 - Envelope containing news broadcasts from American and other Allied Stations during the period of 1st January, 1944 to 31st December, 1944.

Exhibit 4 - Envelope containing news broadcasts from 1st January 1945 to 30th January 1945.

Exhibit 5 - Envelope containing Propaganda Materials against the Japanese Armed Forces in the forms of periodicals, pamphlets, and other matters.

Exhibit 6 - Guide Map in following up the progress of the war operations.

Exhibit 7 - Radio Receiving Set, Belmont Brand, and earphone attachment, used in hearing the news referred to in Exhibits 1, 2, 3, and 4. (Not submitted herewith. Will be presented upon request).



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The exhibits referred to above are the only records of the activities of the PHILIPPINE UNDERGROUD MONEMENT saved from the war operations, and it is requested that said exhibits be returned to this organization as soon as the purpose for its submission is accomplished. This request is made in order to codify these papers in a readable form and properly classify the evidence submitted in support of the recognition of the Philippine Underground Movement.

Very respectfully,

JOAQUIN PARDO DE TAVERA
Col., MI
Commanding Officer

SATVADOR D. LACUNA
Captain, MI
Executive Officer

Exhibit IV

HO. USAFFE LUZON GUERRILLA FORCES

8 Jan. 1944

SUB: IDENTIFICATION TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

1. This will identify the bearer Lt. Antonio C. Abiog, ABK A.U.S. as a member of this commend.

/s/ BERNARD L. ANDERSON
BERNARD L. ANDERSON
Capt. Inf. U.S.Army
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5 May 1947

Exhibit V

HEADQUARTERS USAFFE LUZON GUERRILLA FORCES In the Field

2 March, 1944

Subject: Instructions.

TO : Lt. A. Abiog.

1. Your reports dated 8 February, 1944, received at this headquarters.

2. Report to headquarters as soon as possible. I am very much interested in the Laguna situation, but want to give you detailed instructions, etc., befor you take any action there.

/s/ BERNARD L. ANDERSON
BERNARD L. ANDERSON
Captain, Infantry, U.S.A.,
Commanding

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5 May

EXHIBIT YI

HEADQUARTERS USAFFE LUZON GUERRILLA FORCES In the Field

14 May 1944

To : Vie

1. Report to Lug for duty.

2. The bearer of this order will give necessary instructions.

3. Send all reports thru Luz.

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/s/ BERNARD L. ANDERSON /t/ BERNARD L. ANDERSON Captain, Infantry, U.S.Army, Commanding

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Exhibit VII

UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLAND FORCES
KARAYAAN COMMAND
HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

24 November 1944

SUBJECT: Instruction

TO : Lt. A. Abiog

1. It is desired that you go with the San Isadro Sector to Nueva Ecija and report to Commander Irenec Alberto

By order of the Ex. Officer K.C.

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Lt. C.O. Hq.Co.

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Exhibit VIII

3rd Repl. Bn., APO 75

24 October 1945

Subject : Certification of Guerrila Status

To . To whom it may concern

This is to certify that Lt. Antonio C. Abiog was a member of Southern Mueva Ecija Regiment, Anderson's Guerrilla and served in the capacity of Transportation Officer from las December 1946 up to 10 March 1945.

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s/ Lorenzo Crus t/ LORENZO ORUZ Captain, Infantry 0-42740 Ex-Off. 1st En

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s/ Lorenzo Cruz t/ LORENZO CRUZ Captain, Infantry 0-42740 Ex-Off. 1st Bn S.N.E.S.

Certified true copy: 24 September 1947

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Exhibit IX UNITED STATES OF AMERICA COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES ) 9.8. CAMP MURPHY. RIZAL

## AFFIDAVIT

I, JAIME H. MANZANO, Lt. Col. , Inf. (PA). 23 years old, single, and presently assigned at the Grientation School, Camp Murphy, Rizal, after being duly sworn to according to law, depose, and say:

That I am the Axecutive Officer of Col. Bernard L. Anderson, Co. USAFFE LUZON GUERRILLA FORCES, later the Kalaysan Command, USPIF (Anderson's Guerrilla).

That while the Headquarters of our guerrilla unit mentioned above was in Kabanabanaan mountains near Infanta, Tayabas, Lt. Antonio C. Abiog reported for duty and he was inducted into our command as 2nd Lieut. on 23 December 1943.

That to Abter upon reporting for duty to Headquarters, Kalayaan Command, USPDF, in asanga, Infanta, Tayabas on 12 Movember 1944, was assigned to help in the distribution of arms, equipment and supplies to the different guerrilla units that sent representatives to our Headquarters for supply.

That after the distribution of the arms and supplies, Lieut. Abiog was assigned as platoon leader of the Mq.& Mq Co., Kalayaan Command . USPIF from 17 Nov so 24 Nove1944, training soldiers who later fought in Infanta, Polilio, auban, Tayabas and Camarines.

That during the time that Lieut. Abiog was not with us at Hq. in the mountains, he was in Manila and Mueva Beija doing intelligence work.

That from time to time Lieut, Abiog sent or delivered at our He in Tayabas intelligence reports, consisting of information about enemy activities in Manila and Nueva Ecilia.

That on 24 November 1944 I Instructed Lieut, Abiog to report to Commander I.A. Alberto of the San Isiaro Sector, Birth of Victory Command (Anderson's Guerrilla).

That upon reporting to Commander Alberto, the latter assigned Lieut. Abiog as transportation officer of the lat En. B.V. Command, SMES ( Anderson's Guerrilla) with the rank of 1st Lieutenant.

That the name of Lieut. Abiog was not included in the roster of the 1 lst Bn B.V. Command, SNES ( Anderson's Guerrilla) because the said unit was recognized after Lieut. Abiog has already been released.

Further, Affiant sayeth not.

Dated at Camo Murphy, Rigal this 15 day of Tebruary 1946.

/s/ JAINE R. MANZANO /t/ JAINE H. MANZANO

Lt-Col., Inf., (PA)
(lst Inf. En (PA)Composite
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 15 day of Feb. 1946 at Camp Murphy, Rizal.

/s/ SEVERINO DE LEON SEVERINO DE LEON Administering Officer

Lat Lt. (JAGS) Asst SWA

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6 May 1947 HAP, Camp Murphy

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Fxhibit X

UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES B. V. COMMAND SOUTHERN N. E. SECTOR Ho. 1st Bn

10 March 5

Subject: Request for Release

: C.O., Southern N.E. Sector (Thru channel)

- 1. Pursuant to the news item published in the FREE PHILIPPINES dated 24 Febra45, the USAFFE Unit, a section of the U.S. Army is to be revived and to be composed of USAFFE soldiers.
- 2. That, Replacement Battalions are being organized and veterans of Bataan and Corregider are being called to this effect.
- 3. It is requested therefore that the undersigned, be released from this command in order to join the said unit, predicated upon the fact, that I am a veteran of Bataan.
- 4. For your information, I can state that I joined the USAFFE LUZON GUERRILLA FORCES on 23 Dece 43 under major Bernard L. Anderson, now the UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES and was working under his direct command up& to 23 November 1944.
- 5. That, on the 24 November '44, I was instructed by the Executive Officer of the KALAYAAN COMMAND, UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES to report to Commander Ireneo Alberto of the San Isidoo Sector.
  - 6. And that, I never surrendered to the Imperial Japanese Army.

/s/ ANTONIO ABIOG Y CUEVAS /t/ ANTONIO ABIOG Y CUEVAS Lt. Infantry, Army of U.S.

1 st Indorsement

UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLANDS FORCES B.V. COMMAND , SOUTHERN N.E. SECTOR

HQ. 1st Bn Office of the 1st Bn, Santherara, EV. South March' 45, to C.O.

Request for release of Lt. A. Abiog attache.

1st Battlion, Southern N.E. Sector, B.V. COMMAND, San Isidro H.E.

/st/ IRENEO B ALBERTO Commanding 1st Bn.

10 March 45

2nd Indorsement

10 March 145

Approved:

/s/ CONRADO A. ILETO /t/ CONRADO A. ILETO Capt., Usaffe Commanding.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

5 May 1947/ HAP?Camp Murphy

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)

CITY OF MANILA

S. S.

# AFFIDAVIT

I, SALVADOR D. LACUNA, of legal age, Filipino Citizen, married, Attorney by profession and presently assigned as Executive Officer of the D-I, Department of Justice now N.B.I., National Bureau of Investigation, after duly sworn to in accordance with law, do hereby depose and say:

That Atty. J. Fardo de Tavera was the head of the Division of Investigation Department of Justice and I was his executive officer even before the war.

That since D-I, was engaged in intelligence, counter intelligence and investigations works against crimes and even against spies even before the war, Atty. J. P. de Tavera after the surrender of our Forces to the Japanese Army, organized the USPIE. Underground Movement, Intelligence Unit to fight the enemy of which he was the Commanding Officer with the rank of Colonel, and for which he was imprisoned in Fort Santiago several times.

That this guerrilla intelligence unit begun its espionage activities against the enemy from 1942 until the liberation when some of its members were assigned to the U.S. C.I.C. and helped very much in the apprehensions and prosecutions of Japanese soldiers and Japanese spies.

That, I know personally It. Antonio C. Abiog long even before the war he being my town mate and that I knew him to have fought and escaped from the Beath March.

That, on or about 20 August 1942 I me him in Manila and during our conversation, told me about his guerrilla activities as intelligence operative.

That, since I was the Executibe Officer of Col. Tavera (with the rank of Captain) I told Abiog to coordinate our works and we worked together until the middle part of 1944.

That, inasmuch as bt. Abiog has done a very commendable and magnificent job taken into account the vital military information about the enemy he supplied our headquarters, I included him in our unit on 1 October 1942 with the rank of Captain.

That, in 1943 Lt. Abiog in his coordination with other guerrille units in Manila and other provinces, contacted the then Capt. Bernard.L. Anderson, CO of the Anderson's guerrillas in Tayabas.

That, during the time that Lt. Abiog was not with Colonel Anderson in his headquarters, Lt. Abiog was in Manila doing intelligence and propaganda works with other guerrillas.

That, Lt. Abiog furnished us also news broadcasts from U. S. he received from his unreconditioned radio set.

That, I knew Lt. Abiog had men under him to sabotage the Japs installations.

That I lost contact with t. Abiog in the middle part of 1944 and I met him only in the middle part of 1945 when he was already processed in the Philippine Army.

That, Lt. Antonio Abiog is included in our roster with the rank of Captain and this unit is still pending recognition.

Further, affiant sayeth not:

In witness whereof, I hereunto affixed my signature this 20th day of July 1947 at the City of Manila, Philippines

SALVADOR D. LACUNA Attorney at Law

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 20th day of July 1947 at Camp Murphy, Quezon City, Philippines.

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IN WITHESS WHEREOF, I bereunto affixed ay olgunture this 20 M day of September 1947 at Gamp Murphy.

I) ALFREDO A. CASCANTE, Filipino, of legal age, single, a resident of Passy. City of Rizal, after having been duly sworn to in accordance to law, hereby depose and say:

That I was an ex-officer PA, (Glrs) 4th Combat Bn 21st Inf. Regt. MD, 2010A, with the renk of 1st Lieutenant under the Guerrilla Porce of Edvin P. Ramsey;

That I was holding the position of Battalton Lielson Officer of the 4th Combat Bn., 21st Vnn. Regt. sep. 2616a, from the time of my induction dated 20 September 1945, up to the lime of liberation and later processed to the Philippine army until I was discharged dated 15 February 1946;

That I know personally Lt. AMTONIO C. ABIOG even before the war because of our very close friendship;

what in the early part of 1943, Lt. a. Ablog contacted he et w house \$53 Villeruel Int. Passy after and told me about his Guerrille activities as an Intelligence and Propagents Officer under Brig. Gen. Vicente Lim and asked me also about the activities of our unit;

That we had been contacting each other even since I learned that we were on the same mission and for the purpose of coordinating hilly with ours, he furnished us with military informations about the enemy activities, enemy shippings and enemy installation especially in Manila and which were sent to our Regt. HGS. SCLAB;

That in return to the gooperation of Lt. A. Ablog with our unit, I furnished him also military informations we have gathered regarding the enemy;

That Lt. A. Abing deserved commendation for his very valuable services he rendered our outfit for almost three years;

That I med Lt. A. G. Ablog only in July 45 in the 1st PA Gen. Hospital where both of us were confined due to our guerrille activities.

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#### AFFIDAFIT

I, ANCHE S. APIG, 2nd it. Inf. 0-19839 of loyal are, Allipino Jitizen, single, am procently assigned, iditury Intelligence Service, G-2 section any of the Philippines, BMF, Jamp Lurphy, Jucson City, after having been dily sworn to in accordance with law do hereby depose and say:

That I was inducted into the USSFS on 2 September 1941, fought in Batan under the 21st Division, PA, escaped from the "Deth warch" and an unsurrendered officer;

That on 8 August 1942 I joined the General V. Lim's Guerrillas end was inducted by Gol. Juan C. Chicco, Chief of Staff of said unit in his house at Bautista, Jingalong, Lamila and was assigned as Intelligence and Propagandufficer;

That even before joining Col J. o Chicoo, I was already contacting or working with guerrillas of different units in lawva keija and Banila;

That upon induction and on instruction of Sol J. C. Shicco, I gathered as such military intelligence informations about enemy novements, enemy installations, can enemy daily ings and reported these personally from time to the on thight Chias to Sol Poince wherein at those I set and might ranking fillinging of the control of the contro

That Col. J. t. Chioco instructed me also to have men ready at my command to sabotage Jajanese military installations and bill Japanese spies:

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That besides gathering said informations personally, I also posted men to report on enemy tropp novements, truns out of supplies and equipment of Nutuben stition and also men to report on Jamanes Air Force activities at Helson Air Field. Ance reports were also reported to delone! Shicco;

That in order to hasten our fight for freedo., I wont deeper in my underground activities with emiss on from tol. whose and work with or coordinated my work with some units in Lamila, Laguna, Tarnbas, and Hueva Leija as evidenced by affidevits and other exhibits attached herewith as follows:

- (a) Affidavit of 1st Lt. Teodorico Labindao, CO, Intelligence Operative in tanila under the over all command
- of General Perlate in samila under the over all Community of General Perlata, Gil, harked as Emiliot I.

  (b) Affidevit of Johanel Primitivo San Agustin, CC, 1st Regt, President Quezon's Cum Querrillas (PaGG), marked as Emiliot II.
- (c) Worked with Gopt. Salvador Lacuma, Executive Officer of U.5.P.1.7., Philippine Underground Lovement, Incl-12, 1997. The Company of the Co
- (d) Identification and allied papers from Col. B.L. Anderson and other officers marked as Exhibits IV, V, VI, VII and VIII.

Affidavit of Lt. Col. Jaine Lanzano, Ex-Off. of Col. B. L. Anderson marked as exhibit IX.

Release paper of Lt. Antonio C. Abiog from B.V. Com-mand, Southern L. Edja Sector Anderson's Guerrillas dtd 16 Larch 'the marked as Ebchibit X.

That on 23 December 1943 I contacted the them Captain Bernard L. Anderson, CO of the USAF-B BUZGA GURGELLA. ACROSS latter the USAF-Kalayaan Command (Anderson's Guerrillas in the Mounthe UNITY, MARYARO COLMENT (Anderson's Querrillas in the Mountains of layables. I reported to this ether personally or sent cuties of layables. The control of the company officer and where I got my release on 10 march 1945;

That before I lost contact with Jolonel J. Chioco in the middle part of 1944 in Exnila, he received from me also the reports sent to Colonel Anderson (still available for investigationk

That the names I used during the occupation to evade the Javanese authorities were as follows:

- (1) Antonio J. Abiog - used in Res. Jert. April 1982 at
- antonio o. Abroy used an act serv. April 1992 do at Pampanga up to August 1922. Antonio Abiog y Suevas used in intelligence rejort early 1944 to Solonel Enderson. Antonio del .ar used Res. Sort. August 1942 until
- liberation.
- VIC. used in Intelligence deport to Jol. anderson June 1944 to hovember 1944.

That Luz (Julio Cajacom) to whom I reported for duty and submitted by rejorts as per instruction of Jol. ...nderson was latter captured and killed in Fort Santiago by the Japanese in

That I tried my best to contact Col. J. C. Chioco during # the operation in Norther Eucea Scija but I met him only in Gabanatuan, before he was appointed by resident Jergio Usmena to be the Governor of Mueva Scija.

And that the risk to life that I had undergone as an un-surrendered USAFFE officer and as a Guerrilla during the three surrendered USAFF Officer and as a Guerrilla during the three (3) years of the daps countain on an not be underestimated and that on account of my Guerrilla activities I have been hospitalized for about seven months in 311th los itself USA from 3 June to 20 June 1545, and 1st denoral Hospital, F. Hilppine army, from 9 July 1545 to 20 June 1754.

Further affiant saveth not.

In witness thereof, I hereunto affixed my signature this 14th day of September 1947 at Jamp Murphy, Quezon Jity.

2nd Lt. Inf. 0-43639

SUBSCRIBED AND SHORE to before me this /47% day of

September, 1947 at Camp kurphy, Quezon City, Philippines.

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# AFFIDAVIT

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CITY OF MANTIA

I, TRODORIGO LABINDAO, former 1st Lieut. Infantry
ASN 0-27302 of age, married and at present assigned in
the G-2 Section MPC Headquarters, Polo, Bulacan, after
having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby depose and say:

That I was a member of the 6th Military District, a recognized guerrilla unit under the over all command of Gen. H. Peralta, serving under the direct command of Col. Energue Turado with the rank of 1st 4t. upon joining and upon induction on 30 Dec. 41 at Capix, Capix by Maj. These, USA

That on Jan 1943 I was assigned as 4/4/50n4 int Off-by Maj Cesar RockThen Action Action work as Intelligence opera-tive in Manila and in some provinces of Luzon with my in-telligence operative of the 6th MD.

That on 22 June 1943, 2nd it. Antonio C. Abiog, unsur-rendered officer from Bataan was introduced to me by Sgt. Guilermo Sualog one of my operatives, and after an under-standing between us, I inducted him into our unit as one of my operatives, upon which Lt. Antonio C. Abiog worked with us by submitting to me intelligence reports about the acti-vities of the Japanese in Manila and the nearby provinces, which proved to be of great value to the prosecution of our war effort against the energy.

That all intelligence reports of Lt. Antonio C. Abiog together with his induction papers were consolidatively sent and reported to our GHQ in Panay has Col. Jurado &

That on 1908.1944 the HC of Col. Jurado whose custody of said papers was raided by well resulting to the death of Sajot Colone and papers were lost or destroyed on account of that event.

That Lt. Antonio C. Abiog worked continously with our until the latter part of December 1943.

That latter on I discovered that the name of Lt. Antonio C. Abiog was inadvertantly omitted in the roster of our unit.

That I executed this affidavit so as to give justice to Lt. Antonio C. Abiog.

Further, Affiant sayeth not;

In witness whereof, I hereunto affixed my signature this 17th day of Seplember 1947 at Camp Murphy C. Philippines.

x-1st Lieut. Inf.

SUBSCRIBED AND STORM to before me this 17 day of September 1947, at (amp hurph, & C Philippines.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ) )
COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES) S. S.

### AFFIDAVIT

I. FRIMITIVO SAN AGUSTIN JR., Colonal, GSC, ASN 0-1781, of legal age, Filipino citizen, single, and presently residing at 10 Lourdes, Pasay, Rizal City, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law, depose and say:

That I was the Commending Officer of the 1st Regiment, PQOG (President Quezon's Own Guerrilla), an organization duly recognized by AFWESPAG;

That, I personally know Lieut. ANTONIO C. ABICG, who was with me in the 21st Division;

That, on or about 10 August 1942, It A. C. ABIOG went to my house at 10 Lourdes, Passy, Rizal, and manifested his desire to join any guerrilla organization for the purpose of fighting the Japanese;

That in as much as our guerrills organization was still in the process of organization, almost all our work was undercover, I did not immediately induct It. A. C. ABIOG into the organization, but I instructed him to submit to me as much intelligence reports as he could gather and I would see to it that they were sent to the proper authorities;

That, Lt. A. C. ABIGG, from that time, submitted intelligence reports to me of enemy movements, enemy installations, and enemy shipping;

That, up to December 1943, he submitted to me reports of said nature;

That, in December 1943, I lost contact with Lt. A. C. ABICG, because we had to abandon our headquarters in 10 lourdes, Pasay, due to constant raids by the Kempei Tai and he was unable to locate our new headquarters;

That, in March 1945, Lt. A. C. ABICG informed me that he had joined Anderson's Guerrilla when he lost contact with me, hence he was not included in my roster.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT:

PRIMITIVO SAM AGUSPIN JR.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 20th day of April 1946, in Manile, Fhilippines.

(Administering Officer)

Cept. Inf. G-2 Sec. HAP

(Rank & Designation)

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20 June 1946

THE COMMANDING GENERAL Guerilla Unit Philippine Army Division AFWESPAC, G-3 Section

Sir:

I have the honor to bring to your attention an attempt to. deceive and defraud the United States Government by an Organization known as the "Philippine Underground Movement". This outfit was supposed to have existed from 1941 to the end of the Japanese occupation. The papers relative to the said "Philippine Underground Movement were transmittedd to your office on January 30, 1946, for recognition.

The truth of the matter is there was no such guerilla unit known as the "Philippine Underground Movement". The members are mostly investigators and other employees of the Division of Investigation, Department of Justice, of the Commonwealth Government. It has as its comending officer "Colone" Joaquin Pardo de Tavera, the present Chief of the Division of Investigation, and "Saptain" Salvador Lacuma as "Executive Officer". These two persons mentioned above are the ones responsible for the coming into being of this spurious guerilla outfit. Most of the members did not even know that they were commissioned officers of the said organization. There are no appointments issued to the alleged members, all they know is that their names appear in the roster after the papers were sent to AFWESPAC for recognition. I for instance, is the supposed Assistant Financial Officer, Liason Officer, and Intelligence Officer, when I am not even a member of any guerilla unit. Many of the alleged members of the Philippine Underground Movement will testify that they arenot really members. Furthermore there are records that will show the non-existence of the above outfit.

I hope for the immediate investigation of the persons responsible for the anomaly. I will help the investigator so that the good name of the Division of Investigation of which I am a member will be protected. Most of the employeesof the Division are honest so an investigation conducted by AFWESPAC will determine who are the guilty parties. The Philippine Underground Movement'is now the subject of investigation conducted by the Department of Justice.

Very respectfully,

ALL B. BERNARDINO

445 Asturias, Sampaloc, Manile

NOTE; Copy furnished Judge Gregorio Narvasa, the investigator of the Department of Justice.

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