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SANTA MARIA DETACHMENT, MCKINLEY DIVISION, FAIT
NAME OF UNIT

MARIANO de los Santos
UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

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1. Complaints
2. Investigating Officer's Notes
3. NFC/DL ltr dtd 8 Mar '48
4. NFC/DL ltr dtd 26 May '48

REMARKS:



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G-3 File No. GSCFU 091 FI		Date 25 May 48
SUBJECT: Further request for recognition FROM : Mariano de los Santos		Type of Comm Letter
FOR ACTION BY:	CONCURRENCES	
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OFFICER TAKING ACTION (and initials)		
1st Lt George E Kemper <i>G EK</i>		
Policy : Non-Policy :Recommending		
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TO: <i>MC</i> FOR <i>G EK</i>	<i>new</i>	<i>177</i> <i>12</i> MAY 25 1948
MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD		

Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

1. Basic, ltr fr Mariano de los Santos to CG PHILRYCOM, dtd 12 Apr 48, further concerning the request for recognition of the Santa Maria Detachment which could not be considered inasmuch as it failed to comply with the closing date of 15 Mar 46 for the acceptance by this headquarters of unit claims for recognition.

2. Mr de los Santos is informed that his reasons for requesting late acceptance of his unit are insufficient to warrant an extension of the closing date of 15 Mar 46 and he is further informed that this headquarters received no inclosures to his letter of 12 Apr 48.

George E Kemper
1st Lt George E Kemper

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



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PHILIPPINES-RYUKYU COMMAND

GSCFU 091 FI

APO 707

26 MAY 1948

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Mr. Mariano de los Santos
Tahing Baked
Santa Maria, Bulacan
Philippines

Dear Mr. de los Santos:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 12 April 1948, further concerning the request for recognition of the Santa Maria Detachment which could not be considered inasmuch as it failed to comply with the closing date of 15 March 1946 for the acceptance by this headquarters of unit claims for recognition.

This headquarters regrets to inform you that your reasons for requesting late acceptance of your application for recognition of your unit are insufficient to warrant an extension of the closing date of 15 March 1946. For your further information, this headquarters received no inclosures to your letter of 12 April 1948.

Sincerely,

Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

NORMAN L. QUIGG
CWO, USA
Asst Adj Gen

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1st Lt George E Kemper

Concur: Capt E R Curtis
Chief, Unit Branch

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HEADQUARTERS
 FIL-AMERICAN IRREGULAR TROOPS
 COMMANDER COLONEL HUGH STRAUGHN USA 02515
 SOUTH CENTRAL LUZON AREA

SANTA MARIA DETACHMENT
 Tabing Bakod, Sta. Maria, Bulacan

12 April 1948

The Commanding General
 PHILRYCOM, APO 707

Dear Sir:

In connection with your letter dated 8 March 1948, giving us it's due comments regarding the status of our guerrilla Unit as being unable to comply and without any submitted records enclosing request for recognition on or prior to the deadline set by the office of the AFWESPAC; this, we claim were the results of our weak judgment and views, and particularly on our having relied on a high degree to Mr. Pablo de la Cruz, to whom we have entrusted to handle this matter with PHILRYCOM, or the former office of the AFWESPAC.

We regret to inform you of our belated desire to request a reconsideration, which we now know as not in conformity with your announced policy in relation to the closing date of accepting request for guerrilla unit recognition. But we still hope and have the impression that the following circumstances, datas, and correct evidences of our Unit's active participation in the resistance movement during the Japanese occupation and up to the liberation of the Philippines would in our conviction be sufficient, in your changing or to further extend the deadline of 15 March 1946; they are

- a. Chronological history of the Organization.
- b. Photo-static copy of authorization to organize
- c. True copies of Communication, vouchers, etc. used during the existence of the Unit.

And upon receipt of your kind consideration, we will furnish you more supporting evidences to show the genuineness of this guerrilla organization.

Trusting that the foregoing datas will warrant your most favorable attention, I beg to remain

Very respectfully,

MARIANO DE LOS SANTOS
 Major, Commanding

INCLU:

- 1-Photo-static copy/Doc Evidences/signed Col H Straughn.
 - 1-Photo-static copy/Doc Evidences/signed Col Crosby.
 - 1-Chronological history of the Organ'.
- And some of the other old Records.

no inclosures received.

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SECRET
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In connection with your letter dated 2 November 1948, regarding the proposed exchange of prisoners of war, the Department of State has been advised that the Government of the United States is unable to accept the proposal as it stands. The Department is unable to accept the proposal as it stands because it would require the release of American prisoners of war in exchange for the release of Chinese prisoners of war. The Department is unable to accept the proposal as it stands because it would require the release of American prisoners of war in exchange for the release of Chinese prisoners of war.

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G-3, GUERRILLA AFFAIRS DIVISION

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TO	DATE	REMARKS
Units	MAY - 5 1948	5 _____ M/C
Sgt M	5/5/48	Status _____ Ell
Capt Curtis	5/5/48	Sir, Unit is NFOEL on 8 March 48. Ltr was sent to: Mr. Mariano delos Santos Tubing Bekod Santa Maria, Bulacan, P.I. SM
H Kumpen	21/5/48	5 _____ Ell
AMM	21/5/48	T-10 _____ OK
H Kumpen	24/5/48	1 - 8 _____ Ell
Capt Curtis	24/5/48	1 - 8 _____ K.
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 : OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3 : RADIO CITE
 : OFFICE RETAINED RECORD :

G-3 File No. *GSCPU 091 FI* : DATE : *1 Mar 48*

SUBJECT: *Information concerning a request for recognition* : Type of Communication
 FROM : *Mariano de los Santos* : Letter

FOR ACTION BY: : CONCURRENCES
 (File Symbol Only: SUSPENSE DATE :

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OFFICER TAKING ACTION (and initials):

1st Lt George E. Kemper :

Policy: Non-Policy: Recommending :
 : Approval : *mal* : *MAR 6 1948*

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TO: _____ FOR: _____ :
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

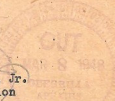
1. Basic, letter from Mariano de los Santos to CG, PHILRYCOM, dated 30 Jan 48, requesting information concerning a request for recognition of a Santa Maria Detachment, McKinley Division, PAIT.

2. This headquarters has no record of a Santa Maria Detachment. Mr. De los Santos has been informed of this fact and also of the three closing dates for the acceptance by this headquarters of all types of guerrilla claims.

George E. Kemper
 1st Lt George E. Kemper

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

Concur: 1st Lt L. W. Pierce, Jr.
 Chief, Records Section



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HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES-RYUKYU COMMAND

GSGFU 091 FI / 305

APO 707

8 - MAR 1948

Mr. Mariano de los Santos
Tabing Bakod
Santa Maria, Bulacan

Dear Mr. De los Santos:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 30 January 1948, requesting information concerning a request for recognition of a Santa Maria Detachment, McKinley Division, Fil-American Irregular Troops.

A thorough search of the files of this headquarters has failed to disclose a request for recognition of a claimant guerrilla unit by this name presented either as an independent unit or as a subordinate unit of a larger command. This headquarters has no record of the rosters and supporting papers which, you state, were to be submitted by Mr. Pablo de la Cruz of the McKinley Division, FAIT.

It is desired to inform you that a special press release from the Public Relations Office, Headquarters, AFWESPAC, dated 1 February 1946, announced the closing date of 15 March 1946 for the acceptance by this headquarters of unit applications for recognition. Inasmuch as this closing date received wide dissemination throughout the Philippines by press, radio and municipal agencies, it is considered that all concerned had ample opportunity to prepare and submit unit applications prior to the announced closing date.

For your further information, a special press release from the Public Relations Office, PHIBRIGCOM, dated 8 January 1947, announced the closing date of 15 March 1947 for the submission of individual claims for non-casualty recognition. A further press release from this headquarters, dated 15 June 1947, announced the closing date of 31 July 1947 for the submission of all types of claims for casualty recognition.

In view of the above-mentioned closing dates, no claims of any type for guerrilla recognition can be accepted by this headquarters.

Sincerely,

R. E. CANTRELL
Capt. AGD
Asst Adj Gen



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HEADQUARTERS, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

HEADQUARTERS
FIL-AMERICAN IRREGULAR TROOPS
UNDER COLONEL HUGH STRAUSSER, USA #02515
SOUTH CENTRAL LUZON AREA

SANTA MARIA DETACHMENT
Tabing Bakod, Sta. Maria, Bulacan

30 January 1948

SUBJECT: INQUIRY, REGARDING UNIT STATUS

T O: OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL, PHILRYCOM

Attention: Guerrilla Affairs Division, G-3

Dear sir:

The unsatisfactory information we have acquired from Lt Colonel Pablo de la Cruz, of the Makinley Division FAIT (Fil-American Irregular Troops), has constrained the undersigned here by to make further inquiry, as follows:

a. Were the roster of troops, and record of activities of this detachment already submitted to CGD, AFWESPAC, by the above mentioned officer. NO

b. Was this unit submitted as an independent unit, or as a subordinate unit of the Makinley Division, FAIT. NO and all

c. Is there any definite decision rendered by ASPAC, AFWESPAC, OR THE now PHILRYCOM, regarding our request for recognition. NO

Enclosed herewith are two (2) copies of communication we have in our possession, emanating from Col P. de la Cruz, Addressed to this detachment, which may probably help you in searching for our unit file.

With the information or reply you may extend to this headquarter will be sufficient to relieve us from our present perplexed situation, will be very grateful for your early response, we beg to remain.

Very sincerely,

Mariano de los Santos
MARIANO DE LOS SANTOS
Major, Commanding

2 Incl:

- 1- Guer Hq 11th Airborne Div. dtd 6 Apr '45
- 1- Ltr dtd 25 Mar '45, By Col de la Cruz.

FIL-AMERICAN IR-REGULAR TROOPS
UNDER COLONEL HUGH STRAUGHN, USA, 02515
DIVISION HEADQUARTERS

March 25, 1945

SUBJECT: Report of Activities

TO: : Captains Fernando Gerona and Mariano delos Santos
Division of Supply, In the field.

1. Prepare a complete and detailed report of your activities prior and during the arrival of the liberating forces. The activities performed by your men prior to the arrival must be certified by you. Activities of your men in support of actual operations with the liberators must be reported in accordance with the attached form. However if the signature of the American Officer in charge of operation could not be secured, you may just as well certify the report.

2. This report must be submitted not later than
March 31, 1945.

S/ PABLO, N. DELA CRUZ
T/ PABLO N. DELA CRUZ
Colonel FAIT
Acting Division Commander

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GUERRILLAS HEADQUARTERS, 11 AB DIV.

6 April 1945

SUBJECT: pil-American Ir-regular guerrillas

TO : C.G. Sixth Army, Attn. special intelligence

1. A number of officers of the pil-American Ir-regular guerrillas x came this headquarters recently asking about their recognitions. Many of them have at one time or another been attached to the 1st Cavalry Division and others. However none of them have ever submitted rosters of their men.

2. They were given all information concerning your letter AG 354 A-2 dated 25 February 1945 by this headquarters and instructed to prepare and turn in rosters to the units to which their men were attached.

3. They have many men who were never attached to a U.S. Army unit but who were active guerrillas before and after our arrival. For the purpose of assistance to in determining their proper recognition.

(SGD) WILLIAMS J. SCHLOTH
Maj. 11th AB DIV.
In chg. Guerrillas

A TRUE COPY:

S/ Pablo dela Cruz
T/ Pablo dela Cruz
Colonel RAIF
Actg. Division Commander

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1. APOLOGY

2. Enclosed herewith is a corrected copy of the letter dated
30 January '66

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TO	DATE	REMARKS
Units	FEB 14 1948	
SPTM	26	Any information? GK
A Kemper	28	No record of unit whether independently or as a component part — See
Mrs M	Mar 1	
Capt Curtis	1/5/48	
Mrs M	2/3/48	Place St Pierre on MR for concurrence. ELL
Capt Curtis	2/2/48	concluded with
St Pierre	2/3/48	for concurrence — ELL
Col Haines	2/3/48	1 — ELL
Capt Curtis	MAR 3 1948	Note rewrite. The way the address was set up on the original letter is very undesirable. I have noticed several cases like that.
Col Haines	4/3/48	1 —
MC	MAR 6 1948	sptch



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