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DATE	TIME	UNIT NUMBER	GRADE	ORGANIZATION	NAME	STATION HOME OR CURRENT NO. OR A.P.R. NO.
MORNING REPORT LOCATOR CARD						
<p>GAINS</p> <p>A PROMOTED - assigned & joined.</p> <p>B PROMOTED - assigned not yet joined.</p> <p>C PROMOTED - assigned & assignment, from other station or in camp, etc. legal outside cont. US.</p> <p>D PROMOTED - in military service from changed by MNO.</p> <p>E PROMOTED - arrival & assignment from the cont. US.</p> <p>LOSSES</p> <p>1 TRANSFERRED - within cont. US or within theater.</p> <p>2 TRANSFERRED - cont. US to outside cont. US/over theater.</p> <p>3 SEPARATION - death, discharge, missing/captured/ death.</p> <p>4 SEPARATION - other than by death or battle casualty.</p> <p>5 SEPARATION - in theater (incl. MIA) after M. action.</p> <p>6 SEPARATION - assigned from rolls of MNO.</p> <p>7 TRANSFERRED to the cont. US from outside cont. US.</p> <p>DETACHED SERVICE</p> <p>1 PROMOTED AND ASSIGNED - within or to.</p> <p>2 PROMOTED - not yet assigned.</p>						REMARKS
<p>OTHERS</p> <p>1 PROMOTED - from duty to MNO.</p> <p>2 PROMOTED - arrival in duty from MNO.</p> <p>3 PROMOTED - arrival at new station, transfer of an initial unit within the cont. US theater.</p> <p>4 PROMOTED - via.</p> <p>5 PROMOTED - from not yet joined/assigned not.</p> <p>6 PROMOTED - departure to TO/CI from cont. US or theater, or between theaters.</p> <p>7 PROMOTED - returned from TO/CI.</p> <p>8 PROMOTED - departure to US - within cont. US or within theater.</p> <p>9 PROMOTED - departure on TO/CI to the cont. US from outside the cont. US.</p> <p>NOTE - "Theaters" includes bases & despatching.</p>						
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FORM 1 NOVEMBER 1954

ENGINEER CORPS, BMD, BCLGA

NAME OF UNIT

VERGEL DE DIOS

UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

1. Complaints
2. Investigating Officer's Notes
3. Request for Recognition dtd 29 Jan 46
4. NFC letter dtd 6 Jun 47 w/TLR by Lt Bromley Jr

REMARKS:



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G-3 Form No. 2 : HEADQUARTERS : SEQUENCE NO.
 PHILIPPINE-MOUNTAIN COMMAND
 OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF : RADIO CTR
 OFFICE RETAINED RECORD

G-3 File No. GSCP U 091 PI : Date: 5 June 47
 SUBJECT: Recognition, Request for : Type of Communication
 FROM : Vergel de Dios : Letter

CROSS REFERENCES

FOR ACTION BY: (file symbol & div)	SUSPENSE DATE	CONCURRENCES		
		File Symbol	Initial	Date
GSCPU				
OFFICER TAKING ACTION (and Initials)				
2nd Lt Bruce Bromley Jr				
Policy	Non-Policy	Recognition	Approval	
(File Symbol)	(Action)	APPROVED		
TO: <i>MC</i>	F.P.: <i>D</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>		

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Col G. F. Lillard:

- The Engineer Corps, Bulacan Military District, ECLGA, consisting of 19 men, has not been favorably considered. No members have previously been recognized.
- This unit does not fulfil the requirements of the five basic points for recognition. See attached Team Leader's report.
- No useful purpose will be served by further investigations of this unit.
- There are no members worthy of recognition and the unit suffered no casualties.

Bruce Bromley Jr
 Lt Bruce Bromley Jr

S. C. Buchanan
 Concur: Capt S. C. Buchanan
 Chief, Southern Luzon Sec

Concur: Maj C. H. Wentzell
 Chief, Unit Inv Sec

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

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HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES-RYUKYU COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

GSCFU 091 PI 1174

APG 707

6 JUN 1947

Mr. Vergel de Dios
Bureau of Public Works
Office of the District Engineer
Balanga, Batangas
Philippines

Dear Mr. de Dios:

The Commanding General has directed that you be informed that the Engineer Corps, Bulacan Military District, ECLGA, purporting to be a guerrilla organization under your nominal control, is not favorably considered for recognition as an element of the Philippine Army.

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

- a. Record of service was not substantiated by sufficient acceptable evidence.
- b. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field in opposition to the enemy.
- c. Activities of the unit did not contribute materially to the eventual defeat of the enemy.
- d. A definite organization was not established.
- e. Adequate records were not maintained (names, ranks, dates of enlistment or joining, dates of promotions, and necessary related information).
- f. Rank of members was considered to be too high for the actual size of the command maintained in the field.
- g. The number of officers, commissioned and non-commissioned, was excessive and not reasonably proportionate to the United States Army or to pre-war Philippine Army tables of organization.

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h. Performance of the unit did not indicate adequate control by its leaders.

i. Unit did not show satisfactory continuity of activity and organization.

It is desired to emphasize that each claimant member of the unit is considered to have had just and adequate appraisal for recognition when his services were evaluated concurrently with this study of the unit with which he claims membership. Individual requests were not necessary nor appropriate then, or now, as their acceptance would in effect constitute unjustified duplication of consideration of one individual by this headquarters. However, this does not preclude submission for casualty recognition by those individuals who are qualified and feel justified in entering such claims. Upon request by interested individuals, appropriate forms will be forwarded.

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

Sincerely,

1 Incl
Executive Order No. 68,
dated 26 Sept 45

THOMAS J. BROWN
CWO, USA
ASST ADJ GEN

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REPORT ON THE ENGINEER CORPS, BULACAN MILITARY DISTRICT, ECLGA

29 May 1947

1. Lt Bruce Bromley Jr, after a thorough study of the unit file of the Engineer Corps, BMD, ECLGA, deemed a field investigation unnecessary and submits the following report herewith for approval.

2. ALLEGED HISTORY: (See attached unit file)

3. FINDINGS:

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

Edwin P Ramsey overall comdr, ECLGA
1st Lt Hollis Godwin.. this headquarters, subject
sector investigator
Maj Robert Lapham. . . this headquarters, former
comdr. LGAF

b. Record of service was not substantiated by sufficient acceptable evidence. Evidence submitted to this headquarters consists of a roster and a certification from 1st Lt W. M. Jackson, CE, C Co., 117th Engr. Bn. to the effect that de Dios, the commanding officer, and another from his unit "cooperated with the 117th Engineers in the areas north of Manila". No other records were forwarded by the subject unit to this headquarters.

c. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field in opposition to the enemy. The presence of other recognized units in the area precludes the possibility of active maintenance in the field of the subject unit. From the BMD, under the overall command of Col Ramsey, three battalions out of each organized regiment have been recognized, including the command staff of this particular area. It is not possible that another deserving unit in the same area remains unrecognized with the present condition of recognition.

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probably*

d. A definite organization was not established by the unit. The roster submitted for consideration contains the names of 19 members conforming to no existing tables of organization, past or present. The ranks of the members are not commensurate with the actual size of the command.

e. Performance of the unit did not indicate adequate

control by its commanding officer. There are no allegations that might possibly support any reputation of this statement.

f. The unit did not show satisfactory continuity of activity and organization. There is no statement, verbal or written, that influences the undersigned to believe that the unit ever existed before the liberation. Activities during the liberation consisted of "cooperation" which should have been the moral obligation of every native during that period. For the fulfillment of this obligation there should be no expectation of any remuneration.

g. Edwin P Ramsey, overall commander of the ECLGA, stated that he had never heard of the subject unit. The impression left upon the undersigned, due to this interview, is one that supports the preceding paragraphs and the following recommendation: To wit, there are enough members of the BMD recognized.

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

5. RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Engineer Corps, Bulacan Military District, ECLGA, be not favorably considered for recognition.

Bruce Bromley Jr.
BRUCE BROMLEY JR
2nd Lt Inf

→ *Maj. R. Lupton* stated that he had never heard of the subject unit.

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Basic: Ltr from Maj Manuel Vergel de Dios, dté 29 January 1946, Subj: Recognition, Request for

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Penetration Investigation

1st Ind

2d Station Complement, Guerrilla Affairs, Camp Murphy
TO: The AC of S, G-1, HPA, APO 501
31 January 1946

1. Forwarded to the CG, AFWESPAC, Guerrilla Affairs Section, for proper consideration and approval.

2. The O and EM in attached roster are all bona fide members of the ECLGA.

F. S. Alberto

F. S. ALBERTO
Col, Inf
ECLGA

Incl:

n/c

Basic: Ltr. from Maj Manuel Vergel de Dios, dtd. 29 Jan. 46
Subj: Recognition, Request For

2nd. Ind.

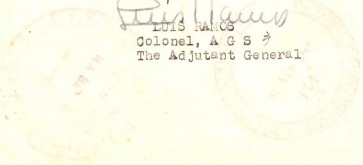
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Headquarters Philippine Army, APO 75 31 January 1946
To: Commanding General, AFWESPAC, APO 707
(Attn: PA Section)

For the Chief of Staff

Luis Ramos

LUIS RAMOS
Colonel, A G S
The Adjutant General



7 Feb 46

Basic: Ltr. from Maj Manuel Vargel de Dios, dated 25 January 1948
Subj: Recognition, Request for

1st Ind

2d Station Complement, Guerrilla Affairs, Camp Campuy
TO: The AC of S, G-1, HPA, APO SOI
21 January 1948

1. Forwarded to the CG, AFMESTAC, Guerrilla Affairs Section, for proper consideration and approval.

2. The O and IM in attached roster are all bona fide members of the MOGA.

F. S. ALBERTO
Col
IMGA

Incl:

n/c

Basic: Ltr. from Maj Manuel Vargel de Dios, dated 25 Jan. 48
Subj: Recognition, Request for

2d. Ind.

Headquarters Intelligence Army, AIC 75
For Commanding General, ARMA, APO SOI
(Action: No action)

For the Chief of Staff



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Bureau of Public Works
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
Balanga, Batavia

January 29, 1945

Subject: Recognition, Request for
To: COMMANDING GENERAL APWESPAC, APO 707
(Guerrilla Affairs Section)

1. The undersigned, with some members of our Guerrilla Unit request for recognition of our services rendered to the United States Army from the period of September, 1943, up to the liberation of the Island of Luzon.
2. We are bonafide members of a Guerrilla Organization duly inducted by authorized representatives of the USAFFE LUZON ARMY FORCES, and by Col. F.S. Alberto of the East Central Luzon Guerrilla Area, commanded by Edwin P. Ramsey U.S. Army Officer.
3. We continue the guerilla resistance movement in the years specified 1943-44 by combating the enemy, construction of fortifications of the guerilla forces, submitting intelligence reports with sketches and maps, and maintenance of the Guerrilla Outfit commanded by Col. F.S. Alberto in the Province of Bulacan.
4. We have rendered services to the United States Army that of the 117th. Engineers hereto attached.
5. In view of our sacrifices and the loyalty that we have signified towards the Government of the United States we humbly request that our being GUERRILLAS shall be duly recognized by your Command.

Anticipating favorable consideration for recognition.


MANUEL VENQUEL DE DIOS
Major, Engineer, B.M.D.
Commanding

Inclosures :

1. Certificate of Attachment
2. History of Services rendered by COL. F.S. Alberto
3. Other pertinent papers
4. Roster of Members

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26 March 1946

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Major Manuel Vergel de Dios and Capt. Gabriel Valero, both of the Balacan Military Area (BMA) cooperated with the 117 Engineers Combat Bn. Co. "A" in the areas north of Manila.

From sometime now they had been released from active duty from this outfit as their services are no longer necessary.

It is recommended that due recognition of their services in cooperating with the American Forces be granted accordingly.

W. H. ... 1st Lt. C.E.
C. E. - 117 Engrs. (C) Bn.

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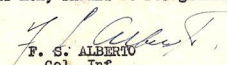
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USAFPE LUZON GUERRILLA ARMY FORCES
East Central Luzon Guerrilla Area
HQ, Bulacan Military District

31 January 1946

SUBJECT: Services Rendered, Certification of
TO : WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

1. The undersigned was the Deputy Commander of the East Central Luzon Guerrilla Area in 1943 and as such had the power and authority to organize guerrilla units and appoint officers and enlisted men under the over-all command of then Major Edwin R. Ramsey.
2. That in December 1943 the undersigned was the Commanding Officer of the Combat Forces in the Province of Bulacan with the aggregate strength of approximately three combat battalions.
3. The following officers, namely, Lt Col Jose de la Rosa, Lt Col Ulpiano Trillana, Lt Col Mariano Exaltacion, Lt Col Narciso Garcia, Lt Col Sebastian Tomacruz, Col Pedro Viudez, Lt Col Enrique Viudez, Lt Col Virgilio Enriquez, Lt Col Adonais P. Macalang, Major Servando Santos were all inducted by the undersigned and further, Major Manuel Vergel de Dios, an engineer and others under his command, were inducted for guerrilla service in Bulawan.
4. This is to certify that the unit of Major Manuel Vergel de Dios was an element of the combat forces under the undersigned and that they had stayed in the mountains of Bulacan fighting the enemy.
5. That in February 1945 when Bulacan was liberated the unit under Major Manuel Vergel de Dios was attached to the 117th Engr Combat Bn, Co "A", and subsequently released 26 March 1945
6. That in view of the services of the above named officers and the enlisted men under them, they have all been recognized except the unit of Major Manuel Vergel de Dios which, in justice to him and his men, should be recognized.


F. S. ALBERTO
Col, Inf
former District CO
Bulacan Military District

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UNIT: 1ST LUZON GUERRILLA ARMY FORCES
East Central Luzon Guerrilla Area
HQ, Bulacan Military District

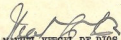
26 March 1945

UNIT ROSTER

DESIGNATION OF UNIT: ENGINEER CORPS, BULACAN MILITARY
DISTRICT

NAME OF COMMANDING OFFICER: Major Manuel Vergel de Dios, CE
Capt Gabriel Valero, Ex O

2d Lt Pilar I. Alberto
2d Lt Alejandro Balarao
T/Sgt Eugenio Bautista
Sgt Luis Vergel de Dios
Sgt Mariano Caluag
Cpl Felix Gonzales
Cpl Emiliano del Rosario
Cpl Gonzalo Vergel
Pfc Pablo Villarta
Pfc Federico Villarta
Pfc Aurelio Carpio
Pvt Benjamin del Rosario
Pvt Enrique Ingosan
Pvt E rsenio Mendoza
Pvt Jose Alejandro
Pvt Felicisimo Gatus
Pvt Leopoldo Esprer
Pvt Cleto Sadino


MANUEL VERGEL DE DIOS
Major, C.E. (GFCP)
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