

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA  
OPERATIONS DIVISION, G-3  
PHILIPPINE SUBDIVISION

1 July 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL CHAMBERS.

1. Suggest that attached copy of msg nr. 136 of 30 June from Major Smith now in the Bicol Region be referred to G-3 planning for information. It might be pointed out that Major Smith is a direct representative of this headquarters and both reliable and conservative in his views. It may be considered advisable that his info be developed in further detail.

2. Original of message is being processed in accordance with usual procedure.

COURTNEY WHITNEY  
Colonel, Air Corps  
Operations Division, G-3  
Chief, Philippine Subdivision

Incl:  
msg 136 fr  
Smith



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6 July 1944

G-2

8 STAHL.

In re American POW escapees.

None.

**Action taken:**

U.S.A.F.F.E. advised.

**Action recommended:**

None.



S.J.C.

G-3

AG, USAFFE  
thru AG, GHQ

8 July 1944

1. Favorable action on attached radiographic recommendation from the  
CO, 10th Military District is recommended.

S.J.C.

Incl.  
Mesg. NR 437 from Fertig.



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3 JULY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PERALTA

NR 358 2 JULY

REQUEST YOU BROADCAST IN CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS IN USE  
OF SULFA DRUGS FOR TREATING SICK AND WOUNDED WITH SPECIAL  
EMPHASIS TO PHILIPPINE CONDITION. IF GRANTED REQUEST FIVE  
DAYS ADVANCE NOTICE AS TO DATE AND TIME OF BROADCAST.

(TIME DECODED 021640/Z)

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18 JUL 1944  
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G.P.O.

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12 JUN 44 PM  
8-4  
G.M.O. S.W.P.A.

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File No.:

Subject:

From: G-3

To: G-1  
Thru: Chief Surgeon

Date: 8 July 1944

1. Recommendation contained in attached message from the C.O. 6th Military District appears to have merit.

2. With each medical supply shipment to the Philippines instructions have been dispatched concerning the use of such drugs as those of the sulfa group, but the proper dissemination of such instructions throughout the areas concerned is impossible. It is believed desirable that all available means of communication be utilized with a view to bringing at least the doctors in the several areas of the Philippines reasonably abreast of modern medical progress in the treatment of diseases common to the Philippines, i.e. dysentery, malaria, beri-beri, worms, tropical ulcers, etc for most of which specific medicines are being sent in in increasing quantities.

3. To accomplish this purpose a few minutes on the broadcast and a page or two in FREE PHILIPPINES might be devoted to great advantage. To be effective such instructions as are given should be simplified.

Incl:  
Msg 358 from  
Peralta

*M.E.C.*  
S.J.C.  
*CW*

From: Chief Surgeon

To: G-1

Date: 12 July 44

- 1. Concur.
- 2. If approved I will make the necessary arrangements for the broadcast.

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20 AUG 75

*[Signature]*  
C.W.R.

Incl: n/c

G-1

C/S

12 July 1944

Recommend approval.



*B.F.F.*  
B.F.F.

Incl: n/c

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From: C/S

To: G-3

Date: 12 July 1944

Approved, subject to the condition that no information will be broadcast that will be of benefit to the enemy. Necessary check must be established to censor each broadcast from this point of view.

R.A.S.

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File  
CW

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G-3 SECTION C I. Q.  
ROUTING SLIP

13 July 44

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Maj D G Sherrard		___
Maj R B Steele		___
Lt Comdr N E Weaver		___
Maj F E Anderson		___
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do it parallel to  
broadcast the information  
desired and not benefit  
the enemy? etc.  
JHW

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28 JULY 1944

CW/rs

TO : FERTIG  
FROM : MACARTHUR  
NR : 464

ADVISE PROGRESS IN DISPOSITIONS TAKEN TO EXTEND INTELLIGENCE  
NET TO TO AREAS REFERRED TO IN OUR NUMBER FOUR THIRTY

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20 AUG. 75

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C O P Y  
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8 JULY 1944

CW/esh

TO : FERTIG  
FROM : MACARTHUR  
NR : 443

THE GREATEST ASSISTANCE WHICH YOU AND YOUR FORCES CAN RENDER AT PRESENT IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANS FOR RECONQUEST LIES IN THE CONTINUED AGGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT OF INTELLIGENCE OF ENEMY DISPOSITIONS AND ACTIVITY AND THE GEARING OF YOUR SYSTEM OF SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS TO PROCESS SUCH INTELLIGENCE NOW AND EVENTUALLY SERVE THE MORE IMMEDIATE REQUIREMENTS OF OFFENSIVE ACTION PAREN MACARTHUR TO FERTIG IN RE MESSAGE NUMBER FOUR TWO THREE PAREN THE RESULTS OF YOUR WORK IN THE PAST HAVE PROVED OF INVALUABLE AID TO ME IN THE PLANNING OF FUTURE OPERATIONS AND IT IS MY DESIRE THAT YOU TAKE SUCH DISPOSITIONS AS ARE POSSIBLE TO AGGRESSIVELY CONTINUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTELLIGENCE SOURCES WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS AT PRESENT ON THE AREAS DELINEATED IN MY NUMBER FOUR THIRTY PD YOU SHOULD CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE MOBILITY FOR YOUR POSITION AND A FLEXIBILITY IN YOUR SIGNAL CONTROLS TO THE END THAT YOUR COMMUNICATIONS NET WILL NOT SUFFER FROM LACK OF CONTROL NOR COMMUNICATION WITH THIS HEADQUARTERS BE INTERRUPTED DUE TO ENEMY ACTION AT ANY ONE PARTICULAR POINT PD MEANWHILE I SHALL DISPATCH TO YOUR AREA SUCH ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES AS THE CIRCUMSTANCES WILL PERMIT

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20 AUG 75

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28 JUNE 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG  
NR 366 26 JUNE

REFERENCE YOUR 430:

A. HAVE ESTABLISHED ONE ADDITIONAL LOOKOUT ON WEST SIDE OF DAVAO GULF, ANOTHER PLANNED. HAVE ANOTHER ON EAST SIDE THAT GIVES EXCELLENT COVERAGE OF ANCHORAGES. CAN ADD ONE MORE.

B. ROAD FROM BALUT, COTABATO PROVINCE TO MALABANG, LANAOS NOT USED.

C. POSSIBLE

D. REURAD TO BOWLER.

E. HAVE ONE ATR FOUR ENROUTE NOW, ANOTHER LATER.

FIVE ADDITIONAL OPERATORS AND MINIMUM OF SIX ADDITIONAL ART FOURS (HAVE BATTERIES IMPROVED?) OR FOUR SUITCASE SETS COMPLETE WITH BATTERY CHARGERS AND BATTERIES (EXCELLENT UNIT).

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20 AUG. 75

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(TIME DECDED 280030/Z)



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*Col. W. H. ... - re radio to ...  
radio stations etc.*

~~PRIORITY~~

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*Draft by  
Seymour ...*

TO: FERTIG

Request your needs in personnel and equipment to establish chain of radio stations along Sayre Highway, Davao Gulf (west side), road Cotabato to Kabacan, road to Malabang, Koronadal-Sarangani area. Planning establish four posts along Davao Gulf south from Davao to Malalag, three parties in Malabang-Cotabato area, 1 party near Buayan, 2 posts along and near road Cotabato City-Kabacan and 2 posts along road from Kabacan to Malaybalay. For the present these posts will develop information as outlined in P.I. Guide and current instructions. They will form the basis of an intelligence system to report enemy movement along road nets and will be part of your present radio net.

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20 AUG 75

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29 July



General Chambers:-

Herewith are the following documents

(a) Draft of a message prepared and submitted to me by Col. Melnick, designed to cover all requirements in the intelligence plan for Mindanao which General Willingby's suggestions were "brushed off"

(b) Message which I, in turn, prepared to serve the purpose and which Col. Melnick approved prior to dispatch. (original msg m 430 - 25 June initialed by Col. Melnick) in Fertig's file.

(c) Copy of Fertig's msg m 366 - 26 June replying to our above mentioned msg m 430

(d) Copy of our message m 443 - 8 July re-emphasizing the intelligence requirements of above mentioned msg m. 430

(e) Copy of our msg m 464 - 28 July calling for a progress report on compliance with our msg m 430

I believe the magazine is fully loaded. CW

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Col Whitney said that Gen  
Chambers should see these papers  
tonight.

These  
Memoranda to be  
submitted to Col. W.  
at the 2nd Army meeting



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ROUTING SLIP

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*Admnd. Thanks.*

*w.c.*

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1 AUGUST 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : CUSHING

DECLASSIFIED PER JCS LTR ON  
20 AUG. 75

NR 84 27 JULY (PARTS 1 AND 5 OF MSG MISSING)



.....ORIENTAL, WHERE WE SENT THEM TO WORK IN THE AIRFIELDS. THEY CAME BACK, MANY ILL WITH MALARIA AND BRINGING TALES OF BAD TREATMENT. SOME OF THOSE WE SENT WERE PRISONERS. SOME HAVE DIED, OTHERS ARE ILL. I HAD TO FURNISH THESE WITH MEDICINE AND RICE TO ENABLE THEM TO RECUPERATE. A FEW WEEKS AGO, UPON THE INVITATION OR REQUEST OF YOUR OFFICE, THE GOVERNOR AND I WENT PERSONALLY TO MACTAN TO SPEAK TO THE SIX OR SEVEN THOUSAND LABORERS, INVITING THEM TO GO TO CAGAYAN TO WORK IN THE AIRFIELD. ALL THOSE WHO MAY HEAR THE STORY OF THESE RETURNEES NATURALLY WILL NOT CARE TO GO TO MINDANAO. IT WILL DISCREDIT AND HAMPER OR OBSTRUCT OUR WORK AND OUR EFFORTS IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE AIRFIELDS. THE SICK AND THE ILL-TREATED MAY TELL HOW THEY WERE ILL FED, BEATEN UP, UNPROVIDED WITH CLOTHING OR COVER TO STAND THE DAMP AND THE COLD IN THE MOUNTAINS, RESULTING IN THEIR LOW VITALITY AND CONTRACTING MALARIA AND ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO RECEIVED MUCH.....

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file  
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(P-2 OF FERTIG'S NR 553)

TESTED SUCCESSFULLY WITH V I X O TO BE SURE OF SIGNAL. YOU  
NEED AIRCRAFT WARNING TRAFFIC IN 10 MINUTES BUT CONTACT WITH  
K A Z IN LESS THAN 15 MINUTES CONTINUOUS CALLING CONSIDERED  
EXCEPTIONAL. USUALLY TAKES MUCH LONGER. WE ARE PREPARED TO  
GIVE NECESSARY SERVICE THIS AND OTHER URGENT TRAFFIC BUT YOUR  
TIME REQUIREMENT CANNOT BE MET UNLESS K A Z AVAILABLE  
CONTINUOUS AND IMMEDIATE CALL UP. WE WILL CONTINUE ATTEMPT  
CONTACT WITH K A Z IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT EACH AIR WARN-  
ING FLASH BUT IF CONTACT UNDER 10 MINUTES IMPOSSIBLE WE WILL  
SUMMARIZE AND SEND DAILY.

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31 JULY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 553 30 JULY

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20 AUG. 75

WE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT YOUR NR 466. WILL CONFORM WITH PROCEDURE AS OUTLINED. ALL PERSONNEL HERE REALIZE IMPORTANCE SPEED AND ARE COOPERATING. ALL POSTS WERE TOLD THESE REPORTS PRIORITY OVER ALL OTHER DUTIES, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND UNDERSTANDING OF PROCEDURE AND IMPORTANCE SPEED RECEIVED FROM 15 STATIONS. REPORTS HAVE REACHED US QUICKLY. DELAY REACHING YOU CAUSED BY LENGTH TIME NECESSARY CONTACT K A Z. SUMMARY EIGHT AIRCRAFT WARNING MESSAGES BEING SENT YOU TODAY. NOT SENT AT TIME RECEIPT DUE INABILITY REACH K A Z. INITIAL CONTACT EARLY TODAY AFTER 10 MINUTES CALLING K A Z. WORKED ROUTINE TRAFFIC AND THREE AIR WARNINGS DURING MORNING. AT 0320/Z ASKED K A Z TO STAND BY SO WE COULD WORK INCOMING OPERATIONAL PRIORITY MESSAGE. AT 0345/Z WE HAD SEVEN AIR WARNING MESSAGES FOR YOU. CALLED K A Z FOR OVER HOUR ON REGULAR AND EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES WITH NO RESPONSE. K A Z NOT HEARD DURING THIS TIME. SAME TRANSMITTER DURING THIS TIME

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

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File No.:

Subject:

From: G-3

To: C. Sig. O. - GHQ

Date: 31 July 1944

Attached message from the C.O. 10th Military District is brought to your attention for such corrective action as may be deemed appropriate.

Incl:  
Msg 553 fr Fertig

*W.H.*  
S.J.C.  
CW

C Sig O

G-3

3 August 1944

1. The situation outlined in attached message was reported on 31 July to Major Brown of this office who is now at KAZ.
2. The following message was received at this office from KAZ on 2 August:  
"DIFFICULTY IN PICKING UP MLX (FERTIG) DURING LAST THREE DAYS DUE TO HIS BEING OFF FREQUENCY. SET TO RIGHT PLACE THIS MORNING AND HOPE BETTER LISTENING IN FUTURE." LT QUINTO
3. Subsequent reports indicate that no further difficulties are being encountered.

Incl: n/c

*F.M.F.*  
F. M. F.  
Actg. Exec.

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3 Aug 44

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*Wm*

File No.:

*Operations*

Subject:

From: G-3

To: G-2

Date: 3 August 1944

Reference message number 551- 30 July from 10th M.D. and similar reports of naval movement in same area, do you wish such information developed along more specific lines?

*N.D.A.  
7 n.s.J.C.  
CW*

*Noted by  
& circ  
[Signature]*

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FROM: G-2

TO: G-3

Date : 4 Aug/44

Noted. The above message was in response to our request for weekly shipping. However, I am reluctant to be too specific, on certain areas, of operational significance, because of the security angle. We will develop specific inquiries, as required.

CAW/nrb

Information Copies:

*[Signature]*  
C.A.W.



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17 AUGUST 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 625 17 AUGUST

DAVAO REPORT. DAVAO AIRDROME HIT BY FOUR 500 POUNDERS.  
AIR ACTIVITY SLACK SINCE THEN. BOMBS LANDED STA ANA, LASANG,  
MATINA AREAS. NIP ARMED CIVILIANS PATROL DAVAO CITY STREETS  
UNTIL 0700/H.

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20 AUG. 75



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
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File No.:

Subject:

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 17 August 1944

Herewith is first direct report on DAVAO bombing. FERTIG message number 625 just received.

Incl:  
Msg nr 625  
fr Fertig

H. D. W.  
S.J.C.

CW

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(P-3 OF ANDERSON'S NR 68)

ENEMY AIR FORCE RADIO STATION IN WESTERN WING MANILA  
HOTEL. ALL THREE LARGE CINES IN INTRAMUROS USED AS ARMS AND  
MUNITION DUMPS. MAPS OF ENEMY INSTALLATIONS WILL BE FORWARDED  
WITH FIRST TRANSPORTATION.

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20 AUG. 75



(DECODED 202000Z)

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(P-2 OF ANDERSON'S NR 68)

EVACUATION ALONG PARANAQUE BEACH COMPLETE, ONLY ENEMY LEFT. SEAWALL 50 METERS SEAWARD FROM MOUTH PARANAQUE RIVER NEARING COMPLETION, BASIN BEING DREDGED. (ALL HOUSES BOTH SIDES MANILA SOUTH ROAD FROM LIBERTAD USED BY ENEMY, MANILA POLO CLUB, LOS TOMARAOS CLUB, VILLAHAR, MCDONOUGH COMPOUND AND REYES APTS. FILLED WITH ENEMY PERSONNEL. DRUMS OF GASOLINE AND OIL BEING BURIED ALONG PARANAQUE BEACH. LARGE GASOLINE DUMP IN AND AROUND VARGAS PARANAQUE HOME.) (GENERAL EVACUATION AREA SOUTH PASIG MANILA UNDERWAY, PEOPLE ALONG TONDO BEACH ORDERED TO PREPARE FOR EVACUATION. PC AND MC BEING DISARMED SOME PLACES, DETAILS TO FOLLOW. BARRACKS VICINITY NICHOLS AND NEILSON FIELD NOT BEING USED AT NIGHT, SOME LIGHTS LEFT BURNING, PERSONNEL STAYING IN ALL HOUSES GENERAL VICINITY AND SAME ARE UNDER TOTAL BLACKOUT. ROXARIO (PASIG) MARIKINA LANDING FIELD BEING EXPANDED TO INCLUDE SAINATIO. ENEMY COMMERCIAL FIRMS TOLD BY ARMY TO FINISH BUSINESS BY AUG. 31. FATHER HURLEY FOUR SISTERS AND ONE MISSIONARY KILLED JULY 29 ON ESPIONAGE CHARGE. SIX SEARCHLIGHTS BEING TESTED NORTHEAST GREATER MANILA SHOW ILLUMINATION GOOD UP TO 1500 FEET. APPROXIMATELY 800 PLANES, ALL TYPES, ON NEILSON AND NICHOLS, COVERED WITH CANVAS WHICH IS PAINTED GREEN, YELLOW AND GRAY.

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21 AUGUST 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ANDERSON

NR 68 16 AUGUST

AUGUST 2ND, 79 SHIPS IN SAN FERNANDO, LA UNION BAY.  
JULY 31, 41 TRANSPORTS, FOUR DESTROYERS 12 CRUISERS IN MANILA  
BAY. GENERAL KURODA TRANSFERS HEADQUARTERS TO MCKINLEY.  
FIELD MARSHAL TERAUCHI (TERAUCHI ?) HEADQUARTERS IN FIL FINANCE  
BUILDINGS, RESIDENCE IN PRESIDENT QUEZON'S PASAY HOME. SANTA  
CATALINA COLLEGE, ANNEX TO SANTO TOMAS OCCUPIED BY WOMEN  
INTERNEES, FOOD SHORTAGE THERE ACUTE, THEY KEEP ASKING WHAT  
PROTECTION WE CAN GIVE THEM, WE ARE GETTING SOME FOOD, MEDICINE  
AND FUNDS TO THEM. TEN NEW TYPE FIGHTER PLANES PARKED ON  
CORNER DEWEY BLVD. AND LIBERTAD, ARE SMALL PLANES WITH IN-LINE  
ENGINE AND ARE PAINTED GREEN. ARMY RADIO STATION WITH 12  
WOODEN TOWERS LOCATED JUST PAST KILOMETER POST 23 MANILA SOUTH  
ROAD, EQUIPMENT IN CONCRETE BUILDING CAMOUFLAGED WITH GREEN  
PAINT. LARGE NAVY BARRACKS WITH 61 NIPA BUILDINGS BETWEEN  
KILOMETERS 18 AND 19 ON MANILA SOUTH ROAD. TWO LARGE FUEL  
TANKS BEING BURIED 15 AND 60 METERS DUE WEST KILOMETER POST 18  
MANILA SOUTH ROAD.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 21 August 1944

1. Attention is invited to attached message, number 68, from Major ANDERSON. The details of the information given reflect the wide opportunities for specific data on the enemy once we have developed our communications system to reach the sources.

2. Note the reported execution of Father HURLEY with four sisters and missionary. Father HURLEY, Father Superior to the Jesuit Order in the Philippines, has given outstanding devotion to our cause during the past two and one half years.

Incl:

Msg nr 68  
fr Anderson

*W.H.*  
S.J.C.

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26 AUGUST 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 675 25 AUGUST

PRIMITIVO SAN AGUSTIN ON AIR AGAIN WITH STATION U A M.  
ADVISED HIM TO PASS INTELLIGENCE MSGS ETCETERA THRU SMITH.  
HE USES PHIL INTELLIGENCE GUIDE.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 26 August 1944

1. Attached message, number 675 from FERTIG, discloses that Primitive SAN AGUSTIN, concerning whom you inquired the other day, is again in radio contact with us from Central LUZON.

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Msg 675 fr  
Fertig

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*Only interest in the  
expressed by Quezon*

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02 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 596 01 SEPTEMBER

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GUESTS AT MANILA HOTEL, 24TH JULY:

ADMIRALS CONDO, KANOSAWA, COMMANDER NAGOI NAKAJIMA, TIRO  
AND NOTOURA.

AS OF 29TH JULY AND 7TH AUGUST:

ADMIRALS D. OKAWAUCHI, T. NAKAJIMA. LIEUTENANT GENERALS  
KINE AYABE, T. NUMATA, S. SUZUKI. MAJOR GENERALS M. KANDA,  
O. KAWASHIMA, G. KIRA, OHAWA, R. TSUKATA, M. YOSHIDA, T. HOJYO,  
H. ITO, Y. KANDA, OGAWA. COLONELS T. IWAKAMI, Y. KAKKO, K. HON-  
ISHI, S. MATSUNAGA, M. YOSHIKI, N. YOSHITOMI, T. YOSHITOMI,  
T. SHIMAMURA, S. MORI, N. HATORI, K. KAWAMOTO, S. TONAMI,  
LIEUTENANTS COLONELS T. KAMIKASA, J. KARAHARA, M. WATSUI,  
K. NAMIMATSU, H. NOZAWA, T. ROADA, H. ONO, K. YAMAKITA, S. WON-  
OGAKI, S. MATSUYAMA, T. NAKATAMI, M. MATSUI, K. IWANI, N. OGAS-  
AWARA, J. TSUZUKI.

MARSHAL TERAUCHI OCCUPIES IMPERIAL SUITE FORMERLY FOR  
MACARTHUR. LIEUTENANT GENERAL KORODA HEADS CAMPAIGN AGAINST  
GUERRILLAS, RESIDES AT QUEZONS RESIDENCE PASAY.

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LAUREL FOR FORCED CIVILIAN EVACUATION OF MANILA IN VIEW LAUREL'S REFUSAL TO DECLARE CERTAIN CHOSEN SITES IN CITY AS MILITARY ZONES. LAUREL OFFERED CITY BE DECLARED OPEN CITY; KURODA REFUSED, AND FOLLOWING PLANS TAKEN UP:

FIRST IN ORDER, EVACUATION OF DISTRICTS NORTH OF PASIG RIVER, AND THEN THOSE SOUTH OF IT. SECOND, FORCED EVACUATION OF ENTIRE MANILA PROPER, RETAINING CERTAIN MALE POPULATION. THIRD, FORCED EVACUATION OF MANILA TO AT LEAST FIVE KILOMETERS FROM CITY LIMITS AND ENFORCEMENT OF MILITARY LAW. LAUREL AGREEING TO FIRST PLAN AND ENFORCEMENT OF MILITARY LAW. LAUREL ALSO ACTING CONCURRENTLY AS MAYOR OF MANILA.

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AT SIBUL SPRINGS, SAN MIGUEL, BULACAN, FORMER PHILIPPINE ARMY TRAINING CAMP THERE CONVERTED INTO CAVALRY CAMP, BELIEVED TO NUMBER 3,000 TO 4,000 MEN. THERE ARE DAILY ARRIVALS OF HORSES, ARTILLERY CARTS AND LIGHT ARTILLERY PIECES. PLACE IS HEAVILY GUARDED. AMMO DUMP AT FORMER PHILLIPPINE ARMY DEPOT.

CONCENTRATION OF 8,000 TO 10,000 REPORTED AT APARRI, CAGAYAN. THREE OR FOUR THOUSAND AT VIGAN, ILOCOS SUR, QUARTERED AT FORMER PHILIPPINE ARMY BARRACKS, WITH THREE AA GUNS AT HILLSIDE.

WORK AT AIRFIELD IN SAN MARCELINO, ZAMBALES, REPORTED FINISHED 15TH JULY. CAPACITY 500 PLANES; SAME LOCATION FORMER FIELD BUT GREATLY ENLARGED.

AGENT OBSERVED SUDDEN DISAPPEARANCE OF JAP SOLDIERS THIS ZAMBALES AREA, AND TOWNS OF SAN MARCELINO, CASTILLEJOS, SAN NARCISO AND SAN ANTONIO EVACUATED.

OLONGAPO NOT FORTIFIED; MAIN ACTIVITY NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BASE FOR WOODEN BOATS, WITH 400 EXPERT SHANGHAI CARPENTERS AND HUNDREDS OF FILIPINO LABORERS IMPORTED FOR THIS WORK. ZAMBALES FOREST AROUND OLONGAPO FULLY EXPLOITED FOR BOAT BUILDING, PRODUCING AVERAGE OF FIVE BOATS MONTHLY, TONNAGE RANGING UP TO 500 TONS. MAIN CONCERN OF NIPS IS HOW TO PROCURE MARINE ENGINES FOR COMPLETED BOATS. FORT WINT (GRANDE ISLAND) NOT REBUILT. FEW TROOPS GARRISONED THERE.

SEAT OF GOVERNMENT PUPPET REPUBLIC TO BE MOVED EITHER TO MALOLOS, BULACAN, OR TO CENTRAL LUZON AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL AT MUNOZ, NUEVA ECIJA. KURODA, JAP COMMANDER, ON 1ST JULY PRESSED

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NEL DEPOSIT FOR ARMS, AMMO AND LIGHT BOMBS, AND AT LEFT OF BUILDING NIPS HAVE INSTALLED LIGHT MUNITIONS FACTORY, TURNING OUT RIFLES AND LIGHT BOMBS. LETRAN COLLEGE BACK PART CONTAINS LARGE QUANTITIES AMMO AND GASOLINE ACTUALLY, THIS PORTION OF BUILDING CAMOUFLAGED AS TRUCK REPAIR SHOP. SANTO DOMINGO CHURCH RUINS CONVERTED INTO AIR RAID SHELTERS USED AS DEPOSITORY FOR AMMO, GASOLINE. SANTA LUCIA BARRACKS AMMO DUMP WITH 2,000 TROOPS GARRISONING IT. BARRACKS WITH 1,000 NIPS AT PORT AREA COMPOUND, NEAR HEACOCK BODEGA, HAS TWO AA 105MM GUNS HAVING MOVABLE MOUNTS. LARGE ARMY SUPPLIES CONCENTRATED AT TUTUBAN RAILROAD STATION, AZCARRAGA.

LANDING FIELD PARTICULARS: SAN MANUEL, TARLAC, HEAVILY FORTIFIED WITH ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS, HAD 170 LILY AND SALLY TYPE PLANES, FORCES BETWEEN TWO AND THREE HUNDRED, EXCLUDING PILOTS AND CREWS, ALL BIVOUACKED IN AND AROUND FIELD. MANIQUIS FIELD, FORMER PHILIPPINE ARMY TRAINING FIELD NEAR CABANATUAN, NUEVA ECIJA, NOW HAS FIVE AA AND 150 PLANES, MOSTLY TRAINER TYPES. CARMEN, ROSALES, PANGASINAN, FIELD HAS 50 PLANES BUT NO REPORTED AA. ZABLAN FIELD AT CAMP MURPHY USED AS AIRBASE, WITH 21 PURSUIT PLANES BASED. AMMO, BOMB, FUEL DUMPS LOCATED AT CAMP MURPHY HOSPITAL, GARAGE AND STABLES. THERE IS ONE LABOR BATTALION HERE COMPOSED OF TAIWAN AND CHINESE UNARMED MEN TO WORK ON FIELD MAINTENANCE, WITH ONE COMPOSITE SERVICE COMPANY OF FULLY ARMED NIPS. NICHOLS FIELD HAS STRONG AA DEFENSES.

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DAVAO 19TH JULY.

FOLLOWING ARE NEW DISPOSITIONS OF TROOPS IN CITY:

GOTAY BODEGA AT SOLER STREET: 3,500 TROOPS COMPLETELY ARMED WITH RIFLES AND MACHINE GUNS.

CORNER REINA REGENTE AND AZCARRAGA NEAR CITY POUND SITES HAS 1,000 KOREANS ARMED.

SINGALONG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 5,000 WELL ARMED.

UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES, 1,500 AND PLENTY TRUCKS PARKED NORTH SIDE.

WALLACE FIELD, 6,000.

CORNER LE PANTO AND PADRE CAMPA, 500 (THIS WAS FORMER JAP SCHOOL AND OFFICERS COME HERE TO MEET OFTEN).

LA SALLE COLLEGE, 1,000, WITH AMMO DEPOSITED LEFT WING OF BUILDING AND FIVE ARTILLERY PIECES INSIDE PREMISES.

SAN JUAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ONE INFANTRY BATTALION.

SANTA MISA NEAR CALLEPUR, ABOUT 200 METERS FROM CORNER, 12 AA GUNS EMPLACED, MANNED BY 150 MEN HAVING 13 MOTOR TRUCKS IN BIVOUAC PREMISES.

HUNDREDS OF TROOPS SCATTERED AROUND MUNICIPAL GOLF LINKS AND IN PORT AREA COMPOUND BACK OF ARCHBISHOP'S PALACE IN WALLED CITY. THREE THOUSAND BIVOUACKED ACROSS PASIG RIVER OPPOSITE MALACANAN PALACE, WITH 12 AA GUNS REPORTED EMPLACED ALONG PASIG SIDE.

UNIVERSITY OF MANILA NEAR SOUTH END OF FORT SANTIAGO HAS TUN-

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02 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : ANDREWS

NR 14 31 AUGUST

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FOLLOWING LUZON INFO UP TO 07TH AUGUST: TRANSPORTS DUMPED 17,000 NIP TROOPS, MOSTLY WOUNDED, BETWEEN 15TH AND 16TH JULY, BELIEVED FROM EITHER GUAM OR SAIPAN.

500 FIGHTER BOMBER PLANES AT NIELSON FIELD. GAS, OIL STORAGE LIMITED IN FIELD AREAS AS GASOLINE DUMPS STORED ALL OVER CITY UNDER SHADE TREES, HOUSES. TRUCKS USED TO HAUL DAILY FUEL REQUIREMENTS TO FIELD. ALL NEW LUNETTA CLOSED TO CIVILIANS, WITH EIGHT AA GUNS PLACED IN LINE.

UP TO DAWN 24TH JULY, THREE AIRCRAFT CARRIERS OBSERVED IN BAY WITH 100 SHIPS, COMPOSED OF DESTROYERS, TANKERS, TRANSPORTS, FREIGHTERS AND FREIGHTER-TRANSPORTS.

TWENTY-THIRD JULY, 200 SINGLE-ENGINED PLANES ARRIVED AND TAKEN TO NICHOLS FIELD. BELIEVED TO BE TORPEDO PLANES AS A TWO-METER, CYLINDRICAL OBJECT WITH FINS OBSERVED UNDER BODY FUSELAGE OF EACH.

ASIDE FROM LARGE COLLEGES REPORTED BIVOUACKED, 11 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDINGS NOW OCCUPIED BY JAP TROOPS. NIP CIVILIANS HAVE POOR MORALE IN CITY. GENERAL KATO, AIR CORPS COMMANDER, LEFT FOR

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To: Chief of Staff

Date: 2 September 1944

Attached messages, ANDREWS' number 14 and PERALTA's number 596,  
disclose information of interest in re MANILA and other parts of LUZON.

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Andrews nr 14  
Peralta nr 596

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01 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 744 03 SEPTEMBER

THREE ENCOUNTERS WITH ENEMY IN CANTILAN KILLED 16 JAPS  
AND CAPTURED 15 JAP AIRFIELD MANUALS. WILL FORWARD NEXT MAIL.

29 AUGUST, ENEMY LEFT MAGPAYANG PLAGER MINE. 60 TRUCKS  
LOADED WITH SOLDIERS AND SUPPLIES LEFT CANTILAN FOR SURIGTO  
CITY. 1400 MEN STILL IN CANTILAN VALLEY. EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO  
EVALUATE NUMBER ENEMY AS 'THEY ARE RUNNING AROUND LIKE CRAZY  
MEN'. A-2. GIGAQUIT CLEAR.



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ENEMY MORALE MEDIUM: ORDERED TO HIDE IN FOXHOLES WHEN PLANES HEARD. EXPECT TO FIGHT DELAYING ACTION HERE THEN TO LUZON AS THEY FEAR GUERRILLAS IN MOUNTAINS HERE. ATTRACTION POLICY DISTRIBUTING SALT AND MEDICINE.

B-2. OUR MORALE FAIR IN NORTH AGUSAN PROVINCE AS 113 INF. BADLY DISORGANIZED AND SOME CIVILIANS SURRENDERED TO ENEMY. UPPER AGUSAN, DAVAO AND SURIGAO MORALE HIGH DUE TO BOMBING DAVAO. REQUIRED CAREFUL HANDLING TO PREVENT PREMATURE UPRISING OF CIVILIANS IN OCCUPIED AREAS.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 742 02 SEPTEMBER



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AGUSAN INFORMATION 31 AUGUST. C-2. 4,000 TO 5,000 ENEMY TROOPS SCATTERED IN GARRISONS ALONG NATIONAL HIGHWAY FROM NASIPIT TO SURIGAO BOUNDARY. LOCATED ADJACENT TO PRINCIPAL BARRIOS AND TOWNS BUT NOT IN TOWN IN FEAR OF AIR RAIDS. 700 AT BANGASI WHERE FIELD IS READY BUT UNUSED. GARRISONS OF 50 EACH ALONG RIVER TO SANTA INES WHERE 200. FEW SUPPLIES ALONG RIVER, LOCAL HEADQUARTERS AT ESPERANZA AGUSAN PROVINCE.

ENEMY PATROLLING DECREASING AS OUR UNITS REORGANIZE.

ENEMY INTENTION TO OPEN TRUCK ROAD OR GOOD TRAIL FROM ALPAYON THROUGH SIBAGAT TO AZPITIA AGUSAN PROVINCE AND SURIGAO (EAST COAST). BRANCH ROADS TO ESPERANZA AGUSAN PROVINCE ANOTHER TO GUADALUPE AGUSAN PROVINCE AND TO SANTA FE AGUSAN PROVINCE. THIS MAINTAINING ESCAPE ROUTE FROM SURIGAO (EAST COAST) AND DAVAO TO MINDANAO, NORTH COAST

COLONEL KAMOTO APPEARS TO BE IN COMMAND, OLD MAN. TROOPS 30 YEARS OR OLDER, WELL DRESSED BUT INCOMPLETELY ARMED. CLAIM TO HAVE SERVED IN NEW GUINEA THEN RABUL.

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31 AUGUST 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 719 30 AUGUST

*(Constabulary)*

RECENTLY SEVEN BAKER CHARLIES SURRENDERED WITH ARMS AND AMMUNITION TO LAURETA. THEY STATE ENTIRE BC COMPANY IS PLANNING ON SURRENDERING SOON. EIGHTEENTH AUGUST DISTRICT SUPERVISOR ORDERED ALL BC FROM SANTA ANA AND CITY TO REPORT TO BC HEADQUARTERS, CITY PROPER. THESE SAID TO HAVE BEEN DISARMED. VERIFYING. QUESTIONING OF SURRENDERED BC'S DISCLOSED THAT NIPS DO NOT TRUST THEM.

ADDITIONAL REPORT THAT ALL BC UNITS OUTSIDE OF DAVAO CITY HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN. EXPECT ADDITIONAL DATA REFERENCE THIS.

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02 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 726 01 SEPTEMBER

INFORMATION RE <sup>(Constabulary)</sup> BAKER CHARLIE OUR NR 719 CONFIRMED. ADDED  
IS INFORMATION THEY HAVE BEEN CONCENTRATED AS NIPS FEAR THEY  
WILL SURRENDER WITH EQUIPMENT TO GUERILLAS. 200 FILIPINO  
LABORERS TAKE ONE FULL DAY TO FILL ONE AMERICAN BOMB CRATER  
MATINA FIELD.

FOUR GOOD LAUNCHES FROM ZAMBOANGA CITY EASTWARD CLOSE TO  
SHORE 31 AUGUST.

UNSENT AIRCRAFT WARNINGS: OVER MALANGAS 30 AND 31 AUGUST,  
TWO PLANES TO NORTH AND TWO TO SOUTHWEST.

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1 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : SMITH

NR 13 31 AUGUST

LUZON AGENT JUST ARRIVED OBSERVED ON FIFTH AUGUST,  
PORTION OF DEWEY BOULEVARD FROM CORTA ITARTE TO LIBERTAD  
INTERSECTIONS CONVERTED INTO AIR STRIP. PARALLEL LANES  
OF BOULEVARD JOINED INTO ONE FORMING A CONTINUOUS STRIP  
OVER THREE KILOMETERS LONG. NUMEROUS AIRCRAFT MOSTLY  
TORPEDO PLANES OBSERVED LANDING AND TAKING OFF. F. B.  
HARRISON STREET SCREENED ON BOTH SIDES TO PREVENT CIVILIAN  
OBSERVATION OF ENEMY INSTALLATIONS ON EITHER SIDE OF ROAD.  
AGENT SAW NUMEROUS ANTI-AIRCRAFT EMPLACEMENTS THROUGHOUT  
THIS AREA.

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STA ANA AND ALL AIRFIELDS. PANAKAN, DUMALAG, AND OTHER QFBRES RECEIVE WARNINGS BY TELEPHONE FROM CITY. SOUND DETECTORS USED. NO INDICATION RADAR INSTALLATIONS. SEARCHLIGHTS HAVE NOW BEEN USED DURING RAIDS. SEARCHLIGHTS PRACTICE 2000 HOURS UNTIL 2100 HOURS NIGHTLY. 11 AUGUST ONE BOMB AT CAGANGAHAN, LASANG. THIS REPORTED BEFORE FELL NEAR FISH TRAP POSSIBLY BECAUSE LIGHTS WERE BEING USED FOR FISHING.

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03 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

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NR 735 02 SEPTEMBER

RELIABLE FROM DAVAO PROVINCE: NIPS HIDE LAUNCHES, MOTOR BARGES, LIGHT TRANSPORTS TALIKUD ISLAND, POINT DUMALAG, KINGKING, PENAPLATA AND SAMAL ISLAND. USE SMALL INLETS.

FURTHER RE DAVAO PROVINCE BOMBINGS: 06 AUGUST RICE BODEGA STA ANA BIT BURNED. AA FIRED SEVERAL TIMES. NO NIP PLANES INTERCEPTED. NIPS AND FILIPINOS GO TO SEPARATE RAID SHELTERS. AT ALL CLEAR SIGNAL ALL LIGHTS GO ON. 07 AUGUST ONE BOMB OLD UNUSED RADIO STATION NEAR CATHOLIC CEMETERY. NO AA, NO PLANE INTERCEPT. 13 AUGUST, NIPS IDENTIFIED PLANES AS B-24'S. BOMB DROPPED DALIO HIT BODEGA OF TORPEDOS. MANY FILIPINOS AND NIPS WOUNDED BY TORPEDO FRAGS. PEOPLE CAUGHT COMPLETELY UNAWARES. NO AA OR PLANES INTERCEPTED. NIP SOLDIERS STATE THEY ARE FRIGHTENED BECAUSE NIP PLANES WILL NOT FIGHT AND BECAUSE AMERICANS WILL LAND DAVAO PROVINCE THIS MONTH. NIP SOLDIERS DO NOT PATROL STREETS AFTER BOMBING BUT STAY THEIR QUARTERS. 14 AUGUST PANAKAN BOMBED, HITS NEAR AA GUNS, PADADA FIELD HIT BUT NO PLANES DAMAGED BECAUSE AT NIGHT PLANES PLACED IN REVETMENTS, DUMALAG POINT BOMBED, THREE NAVY BARRACKS HIT AND BURNED. AIR WARNING SYSTEM IS IN DAVAO CITY,

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03 SEPT 1954

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG  
NR 740 02 SEPT

DAVAO PROVINCE POLITICAL: GENERAL SANTOS FORBIDS ALL  
FILIPINOS TO LEAVE PRESENT LOCATIONS. ASSURES THEM THAT JAP  
ARMY WILL PROTECT THEM. ADMITS JAP CIVILIANS EVACUATED, BUT  
ONLY TO ASSIST IN FOOD PRODUCTION CAMPAIGN. INSISTS ON COMPLETION  
OF ALL MILITARY AIRDROMES. ALSO PUBLISHED STRONG SPEECH ATTACKING  
PRESIDENT QUEZON.

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To: Chief of Staff

Date: 4 September 1944

Attached Philippine messages contain information in which it is believed you will find immediate interest.

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7 msgs.

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S.J.C. *(B)*  
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05 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 755 04 SEPTEMBER

VERIFIED REPORT THAT AMERICAN POW FROM LICANAN BLIND-  
FOLDED AND MOVED OUT AUGUST 20. REPORTED WENT UNAPAN  
DESTINATION FROM THERE UNKNOWN.

REPORT JUST RECEIVED SAYS DAYLIGHT MASS BOMBINGS OF  
FIRST SECOND THIRD SEPTEMBER SEEN AND HEARD BY THOUSANDS  
FILIPINOS. PEOPLE JUBILANT AND MORALE VERY HIGH. RESULTS  
SOON.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 5 September 1944

Attention is invited to attached FERTIG message, number 755, disclosing movement of American PsOW from LICANAN Field and Filipino reaction to mass bombings.

Incl:  
Msg755  
fr Fertig

*M.E.C.*  
S.J.C.  
*(S) CW*



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06 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 762 06 SEPTEMBER

PAGE REPORTS NO CHANGE PREVIOUS INFO BUAYAN. ALLIED PLANES BOMBED TWO ENEMY COASTAL VESSELS AT GLAN AT 1330/Z AND 1745/Z SEPTEMBER, ALSO HIT CARMEN. CORPS HEADQUARTERS REPORTS NIPS QUIET HIS AREA. GRINSTEAD REPORTS FOUR NIPS KILLED, 16 WOUNDED EXPLOSION MARAMAG AUGUST 28. 60 DRUMS GAS, SMALL AMMUNITION DUMP AND ONE TRUCK DESTROYED. NIPS SAY ACCIDENT. GRINSTEAD BELIEVES FOUR BOMBS FROM HIGH PLANE.



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06 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 768 06 SEPTEMBER

OUR PLANES HIT BUAYAN, COTABATO PROVINCE AND  
DADIANGAS 0200/Z, 06 SEPTEMBER. BOTH PLACES IN FLAMES.  
BOMBING STILL IN PROGRESS ONE HOUR LATER. ONE ENEMY  
VESSEL SUNK OFF KAMANGA.

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07 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG  
NR 767 06 SEPTEMBER

RESULTS DAVAO BOMBING:

ONE NIP FOUR ENGINE SEAPLANE SHOT DOWN CRASHED SAMAL  
ISLAND. TWO SAWMILLS TAMBUNGN BURNED. FOUR AMERICAN  
AIRMEN CAPTURED FIRST SEPTEMBER. BROUGHT THROUGH DAVAO CITY  
HOUR AFTER BOMBING. ONE WOUNDED IN ARM.

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07 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG  
NR 766 06 SEPTEMBER

DAVAO BOMBING RESULTS:

01 SEPTEMBER. SEVEN NIP FIGHTERS SHOT DOWN. ONE AMERICAN BOMBER HIT EXPLODED MIDAIR. CREW BELIEVED DOWN WITH PLANE. LIGANAN. 125 AIRMEN KILLED THREE PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND. FOUR GAS DUMPS BURNED. BARRACKS AND HOSPITAL HIT. 20 TRUCKS DESTROYED. BUNAWAN. BARGE FACTORY AND DOCKS DESTROYED, MANY NIPS WOUNDED. ONE SHIP HIT BURNED COMPLETELY. NIPS CONFUSED. SCATTERED IN SMALL GROUPS AWAY FROM AIRFIELDS.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 7 September 1944

Attached messages 762, 766, 767 and 768 from FERTIG report on bombing results in the DAVAO area.

Incl.  
4 msgs from Fertig.

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12 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 799 11 SEPTEMBER

RAID RESULTS SEPT. 9: LUMBIA FIELD ALL BUILDINGS EXCEPT ONE DESTROYED. RUNWAY STILL USABLE. FIRES STARTED GAS AND AMMUNITION DUMPS. AMBULANCE ACTIVITY INDICATES HEAVY CASUALTIES. CERTAIN THREE SHIPS CAGAYAN HARBOR BURNED. UNVERIFIED REPORT SAID NINE DESTROYED OR DAMAGED. FOOD, GAS, AMMUNITION MACABALAN DOCK BURNED. CAGAYAN BRIDGE DESTROYED. BARRACKS BURNED AT PATAG. TWO PLANES DESTROYED RUNWAY CONDITION UNKNOWN. SOME GAS LAPASAN DESTROYED. TIME BOMBS EXPLODED UNTIL MIDNIGHT. NO NIP PLANES AREA SINCE RAID. SEPT. 10 LARGE GROUPS HIT DEL MONTE LEAVING FIRES. SAME DAY CAGAYAN HIT AGAIN. FIRES LARGER THAN PREVIOUS DAY. ONE NIP PLANE OFF LUMBIA BELIEVED SHOT DOWN. KEMPEI AND BC HAVING TROUBLE CONTROLLING FILS.

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12 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 798 11 SEPTEMBER

THREE THOUSAND NIP WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN DARONG AND DALIAO. NIP TROOPS WITH FULL PACKS CONTINUE EVACUATE CITY. REPORTS OF LARGE NUMBER NIPS HIKING FROM CAGAYAN SOUTH THRU KIDAPAWAN, COTABATO. ENGINEER SECTION CAMPED BETWEEN LASANG AND TAMBONGON NEAR RIVER BANK.

TWO TANKERS OFF SAN JOSE SAMAL ISLAND CAMOUFLAGED TO LOOK LIKE ISLAND TERRAIN. SMALL BOATS REFUGE THERE AT NIGHT.

ONE NIP PURSUIT SHOT DOWN BY AMERICANS CRASHED SOUTHERN SAMAL ISLAND. GUN EMPLACEMENTS IN SOLID ROCK THREE METERS FROM SHORE LINE MAIN POINT TALIKUD ISLAND AS SEEN FROM LIMPAO SAMAL ISLAND.

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12 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 797 11 SEPTEMBER

DAVAO BOMBING RESULTS 02 SEPTEMBER: TAMBONGAN AND BUNAWAN LUMBER MILLS AND OFFICES COMPLETELY DESTROYED, 15 TRUCKS, SEVEN CAMPS AND LARGE AMOUNTS GAS IN DRUMS BURNED. APPROXIMATELY 1,000 KILLED OR WOUNDED. SASA AND MATINA: AMMO AND GAS DUMPS DESTROYED, COMMUNICATIONS OUT BOTH FIELDS. APPROXIMATELY 200 NIP TROOPS KILLED AT KM TEN BY STRAFING. STRIP ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY PASSING NORTH END MATINA STRIP BEING USED AS RUNWAY. JAPS HIDE IN ABACA AREAS SURROUNDING LICAMAN AND SASA. REPORTS AMERICAN PARACHUTES FOUND, OPERATIVES BELIEVE OUR MEN IN HIDING.

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12 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 794 11 SEPTEMBER

BASSA POINT AIRFIELD SAMAL ISLAND CONVERTED INTO  
FARM. NIPS REPORTED MAKING DUMMY PLANES SANTA ANA SHOPS,  
USED ON VARIOUS FIELDS. NO FILS USED REPAIR BOMB DAMAGE.  
SUPPLIES MOVE AT NIGHT BY TRUCKS AND TRAIN TO NANIO SINCE  
BOMBINGS. TWO HUNDRED TON BOATS BEING BUILT AT TIBONGCO.

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To: Chief of Staff

Date: 12 September 1944

Attached Fertig messages, numbers 794, 797, 798 and 799, deal with results of our bombing raids in the MINDANAO area.

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Chief of Staff

13 September 1944

1. Attention is invited to attached message number 821 from FERTIG advising of the rescue of 25 American PsOW. Effort is being made to evacuate these men by the NAKWHAL slated to move on next voyage past the point at which rescue was effected.

S.J.C.

Incl  
Msg 821 from FERTIG.

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13 SEPTEMBER 44.

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : CUSHING

NR 144 13 SEPTEMBER.

U. S. NAVY BOMBERS IN ACTION. CALTEX HIT. ONE SUGAR BAKER OFF KAWIT, ONE DESTROYER, TWO NLC WERE ALSO HIT.

OTHER OBJECTIVES: NORMAL GROUND AREA, LAHUG LANDING FIELD, OPON LANDING FIELD, TRADILLA AREA, AND ONE FOX TARE CHARLIE OFF PIER TWO. ONE JAPANESE INTERCEPTOR PLANE POSSIBLY SHOT DOWN OFF OPON. TRADILLA, CALTEX AND NORMAL GROUND AREA ON FIRE.



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13 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : CUSHING

NR 143 12 SEPTEMBER

REPORTS DAILY SUMMARY DELAYED DUE TO NO CONTACT. 0029/Z  
TO 0145/Z AND 0340/Z WAVES OF UNIDENTIFIED AIRCRAFTS BOMBED  
EASTERN CEBU. BELIEVED TO BE ALLIES. CITY AND OPON ON FIRE,  
ENEMY INSTALLATIONS HIT. ENEMY ACK-ACK FIRING NEGLIGIBLE.

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13 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 795 11 SEPTEMBER

REPORT JUST RECEIVED SAYS 55 UNIDENTIFIED PLANES HEADED NORTHWEST OVER LANUZA SEPTEMBER 09 AT 0400/Z. SAME DATE APPROXIMATELY 14 PLANES RAIDED SURIGAO CITY 0545 HOURS; BOMBED FOR ONE HOUR, CAME FROM NORTH, WENT SOUTH. 10 SEPTEMBER, FRIENDLY PLANES HIT DEL MONTE ZERO MINUS ONE HOUR 30 MINUTES. LARGE COLUMNS SMOKE OBSERVED. BELIEVED ONE PLANE TOOK AIR.

GOVERNOR SOBRECARY ON 30 AUGUST DECLARED TRAVEL DAVAO PROVINCE PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PASS; SIX MONTHS PRISON OR 1000 PESOS FINE FOR VIOLATION.

UNSENT AW FOR 09 SEPTEMBER: LOVE XRAY 7824 REPORTED TWO XRAYS TO NORTH.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 13 September 1944

1. Attention is invited to attached messages FERTIG 295, CUSHING 143 and 144 in re bombing in the PHILIPPINE area.

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Msg 795 from FERTIG ✓  
" 143 " CUSHING ✓  
" 144 " CUSHING

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : YOUNG

NR 56 13 SEPTEMBER

RE YOUR MSG NR 36 BOMBING AT TANDUBAS DONE BY JAP PLANES DISGUISED AS AMERICAN PLANES ACCORDING TO A WAR PRISONER ESCAPED BONGAO JAPS GARRISON. SAME REPORT CONFIRMED BY REPORTS RECEIVED FROM CAPT STRATAN. PROBABLE CAUSES BOMBING DUE REFUSAL OF CIVILIANS TO HONOR JAPS PAPER MONEY AS MEDIUM OF EXCHANGE. REFUSAL OF YOUNG MEN TO ENLIST JAPS ARMY, SUDDEN CHANGE CIVILIANS ATTITUDE OF HATE TOWARDS JAPS GOVERNMENT AND DUE FURNISHING US WITH FOODSTUFFS AND COOPERATING SECRETLY WITH US.

EXACT CASUALTIES 28 KILLED AND 17 WOUNDED. WE TENDERED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO WOUNDED CIVILIANS.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 14 September 1944

1. Attached message number 56 from Captain YOUNG (TAWITAWI) is in response to our request for further amplification of his message of 7 September reading as follows:

"FRIENDLY CIVILIANS ARRIVING THIS AREA REPORTED THREE UNIDENTIFIED PLANES PAINTED SILVER-GREY BEARING STARS ON WINGS AND FUSELAGE DROPPED INCENDIARY BOMBS ON TANDUBAS VILLAGE NORTHERN TIP TANDUBAS ISLAND AT 0130/Z 03RD SEPTEMBER INFLECTING ABOUT 50 CASUALTIES IN KILLED, WOUNDED CIVILIANS".

Incl  
Msg 56 from YOUNG

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

NR 20 (CONTINUED)

BACOLOD BURNING.

AT 0230/Z FLASH FROM CEBU STATION "CEBU CITY NOW BEING  
BOMBED BY U. S. PLANES!" AM GETTING MORE DATA ON DAMAGE.  
MORALE PEOPLE LOWLANDS TREMENDOUSLY RAISED.

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ANDREWS

NR 20 13 SEPTEMBER

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TODAY RECEIVED FOLLOWING FLASHES FROM OUR NEGROS STATIONS. TWELVE SEPTEMBER SOME 69 AMERICAN PLANES FROM EAST BOMBED FABRICA AND CADUHAAN AIRFIELDS AT 12 NOON. LARGE FIRES BURNING STILL. AMERICAN PLANES NOW BOMBING BACOLOD AND VICINITY. PLANES CAME FROM EAST, SLIGHT ACK ACK FIRE ENCOUNTERED, BACOLOD ABLAZE. BOMBING STARTED 2230/Z TODAY. FIRST HIT MADE AT BANAGO THEN DIRECT HITS AT AIRFIELD. CAN SEE CLEARLY FIVE BIG COLUMNS SMOKE AND SPARKS FROM EXPLOSIONS. DOG FIGHTS OBSERVED OVER GUIMARAS STRAIT. THREE UNIDENTIFIED PLANES SEEN FALLING INTO SEA. HEAVY DETONATIONS HEARD FROM PANAY. ALICANTE AIR FIELD BURNING. TWO UNCLE VICTORS BURNING AT POINT NEAR BAGO. RAIDS CEASED AT 2345/Z AND PLANES NUMBERING OVER 100 PASSED BY HEADING EAST. FABRIC AND CADUHAAN FIELDS BOMBED AGAIN TODAY.

FROM ANOTHER STATION ALSO TODAY, 56 AMERICAN PLANES PASSED THIS AREA. ONE PLANE CRASHED NEARBY WITH PILOTS SAFE. PLANE BORE NUMBER 34, WILL SEND FURTHER DATA LATER. THROUGH OCULAR OBSERVATION FOLLOWING TARGETS HIT: SHIP AFLAME AT PULUPANDAN WHARF, AIRSTRIP AND FUEL DEPOTS

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ANDREWS

NR 21 13 SEPTEMBER

NAVY PILOT OF REPORTED PLANE NUMBER 34 WHICH CRASHED AT GOV MONTELIBANO'S AREA SAFE AND IDENTIFIED AS ENSIGN JOHN W. BREX, SERIAL NUMBER 315721.

FOLLOWING IS MESSAGE OF ENSIGN BREX TO COMMANDING OFFICER VF 15:

"AM SAFE IN THE ISLAND OF NEGROS IN THE HANDS OF FRIENDLY FILIPINOS. PLEASE NOTIFY MY FAMILY, MR AND MRS JOHN A. BREX, RR NUMBER ONE, OSBOM OHIO.

SGD JOHN W. BREX"

BREX NOW AT MONTELIBANO'S STATION WHERE I CAN GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM.

TIMETYPED: 140225/Z



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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : KANGLEON

NR 62 13 SEPTEMBER

GREAT NUMBER OF AMERICAN CARRIER PLANES ATTACKED ENEMY  
INSTALLATIONS AND LANDING FIELDS AT TACLOBAN, DULAG, BURAUEN  
AND ORMOC YESTERDAY AND TODAY. PLANES ALSO HIT ENEMY SHIPPING.  
RESULTS WILL BE REPORTED UPON VERIFICATION.

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 818 13 SEPTEMBER

FOLLOWING NIP UNITS NOW CAGAYAN AREA: YOSIDA, KURADA, HORADA, CHO, KODA, YUSHIZHORA, KATA, ALL NAMES FOLLOWED BY BUTAI, ALSO KOMOZYO BUTAI WHICH IS QUARTERMASTER UNIT.

BOMBING HEARD 12 SEPTEMBER FROM CAGAYAN, MIS. OR., BUT PLANES UNSEEN. VALENCIA BOMBING 10TH DESTROYED GAS DUMP, TWO TRUCKS.

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 817 13 SEPTEMBER

09 SEPTEMBER ANOTHER NIP SUNK OFF CALAMBIGA. SAME DATE 0350 HOURS THE FOUR SHIPS REPORTED BURNING OFF BALITON SUNK. DURING PAST FOUR DAYS ENEMY LIGHT PATROLS ALONG LEBAK COAST GENERALLY NORTH TO SOUTH.

FIVE NIPS AT PORT TAMANAO AND 30 AT MD SAAVEDRA BALUT ISLAND.

NIGHT 10 SEPTEMBER. NO PLANES PATAG LUMBIA OR DEL MONTE EXCEPT THOSE REPORTED DESTROYED. ONE NIP PLANE OVER TALAKAG, BUKIDNON PROVINCE BELIEVED FROM NORTHEAST.

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13 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 812 12 SEPTEMBER

EIGHT SEPTEMBER 2325/Z CONVOY OF SEVEN SHIPS BOMBED BY  
16 PLANES OFF BALITON. THREE SUNK FOUR STILL BURNING LATER  
NINE SEPTEMBER. PLANES WENT SOUTH.

CAGAYAN MISAMIS ORIENTAL AREA 11 SEPTEMBER EARLY MORNING  
NIPS HAD ONE PLANE UP ALSO TWO LATE AFTERNOON PREVIOUS DAY.  
NO INDICATION NIP AIR REINFORCEMENTS. BC REPORTED DISARMED.  
CAGAYAN MISAMIS ORIENTAL REFUGEES UNDER ARREST AT IMBATUG.

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13 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 811 12 SEPTEMBER

DLM TWO, BOMBING RESULTS 10 AND 11 SEPTEMBER. 2 NIP BOMBERS  
ONE PURSUIT BURNED ON GROUND ONE BOMBER SHOT DOWN. BARRACKS AND  
GAS DUMPS BURNED. EXPLOSIONS CONTINUED THREE HOURS AFTER RAID.

DLM ONE, BARRACKS GAS DEPOTS BURNED. DLM SEVEN BARRACKS  
BURNED AND FIVE PLANES DESTROYED ON GROUND.

NINE SEPTEMBER DAVAO CITY FRIENDLY PLANES BELIEVED AVENGERS  
CAME FROM NORTH CIRCLED AREA NO BOMBS DROPPED. DREW ANTI-AIRCRAFT  
FIRE.

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13 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 809 12 SEPTEMBER

CAGAYAN, MIS ORIENTAL, ALFRED NEIL RUFFORM, SERIAL 32106 USNRT KILLED INSTANTLY 10 SEPTEMBER WHEN BAILED OUT PLANE. PLANE DESTROYED. FOUR OTHER PLANES REPORTED LANDED IN ENEMY AREA.

CAGAYAN, MISAMIS ORIENTAL INDICATE JAP RESERVES BEING ACCUMULATED AT KABACAN, COTABATO. SOME SUPPLIES GO THROUGH TO DAVAO PROVINCE.

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13 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 809 12 SEPTEMBER

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13 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ABCEDE

NR 230 13 SEPTEMBER

THIRTEEN SEPTEMBER 0400/Z AND 0500/Z, FLIGHTS OF 62 PLANES WITH LIBERATORS AND HELLCATS BOMBED AGAIN LANOGLANOG AND FABRICA AIRFIELDS. ONE JAP PLANE REPORTED SHOT DOWN IN FLAMES DURING MORNING RAID. WILL SEND MORE DETAILS AS RECEIVED.

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ABCEDE

NR 228 13 SEPTEMBER

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TODAY, SEPT. 13, LOYAL CIVILIAN AND MILITARY POPULATION NEGROS THRILLED AND OVERJOYED REPORTED ALLIED BOMBING ENEMY INSTALLATIONS HERE WHILE PUPPETS AND ENEMY COWERED AT HAND WRITING ON WALL. 0400/Z YESTERDAY, HEAVY BOMBING REPORTED HEARD LOWLANDS FROM FABRICA TO NEGROS. 2240/Z TODAY, OVER 120 MITCHELLS AND FIGHTERS REPORTED HAVING BOMBED BANAGO WHARF AND VESSELS ALONG SIDE, AND AIRFIELDS LACARLOTA, BACOLOD, LACAB, TANZA OR NANGKA, ALICANTE AND CADUHAAN. SMOKE COLUMNS SEEN RISING DIRECTION FABRICA AND AIRFIELD THERE BELIEVED ALSO HIT. DAMAGE: TWO SHIPS NEAR WHARF DESTROYED, WEST HIGH SCHOOL BACOLOD HIT, BACOLOD AIRFIELD HEAVILY DAMAGED. AMMUNITION AND FUEL DUMPS AND AT LEAST FOUR 'NIL' ENEMY PLANES BACOLOD AND ALICANTE FIELDS REPORTED HIT AND BURNED. SMOKE BLACKENED SKIES. 0200/Z AIRFIELDS ALICANTE, CADUHAAN AND FABRICA HEAVILY BOMBED AGAIN. NO ENEMY INTERCEPTION REPORTED. PART RAIDERS SEEN HEADING PANAY-WARDS.

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : CUSHING

NR 146 13 SEPTEMBER

OF 13 NAVAL LANDING CRAFTS AND NINE ENEMY FREIGHTERS SIGHTED HEADING SOUTH AT POSITION 10 DEGREES 42 MINUTES NORTH 124 DEGREES 04 MINUTES EAST ONE AND A HALF MILES EAST OF CATMON CEBU ATTACKED BY ALLIED PLANES 12 SEPTEMBER FOUR NAVAL LANDING CRAFT SET AFIRE, THREE FOX TARE CHARLIE SUNK, ONE FOX BAKER SET AFIRE AND HEAVILY DAMAGED. AT 0815/Z 12 SEPTEMBER ONE FOX TARE BAKER LOADED WAS SUNK POSITION 10 DEGREES 30 MINUTES NORTH 124 DEGREES 00 MINUTES EAST. AT 0730/Z 12 SEPTEMBER ONE UNIDENTIFIED ENEMY FREIGHTER SUNK AT POSITION 10 DEGREES 04 MINUTES NORTH 124 DEGREES 25 MINUTES EAST. UNIDENTIFIED PLANE REPORTED SHOT DOWN OVER BOCAWE CEBU CITY, VERIFIED TO BE U.S. PLANE MANNED BY LT WILLIAM V. HENNING, USNR-0, T7-42, AC. KILLED. PLANE BURNED AND ARMS AND EQUIPMENTS SALVAGED BY OUR UNITS.



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NR 145 FROM CUSHING (PAGE 2)

COLLEGE DIRECTLY HIT, NAGA CEMENT FACTORY HIT. MORE DETAILS OF DAMAGE INFLICTED BY SEPTEMBER 12 BOMBING AND REPORT OF SEPTEMBER 13 RAID WILL FOLLOW.

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14 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : CUSHING  
NR 145 13 SEPTEMBER

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(A-1) REPORT ON RESULT OF ALLIED AIR ATTACK ON CEBU PROVINCE  
AS OF SEPTEMBER 12:

ONE FOX TARE BAKER SUNK OFF DANA O COAST DIRECTLY HIT, ONE  
FOX TARE CHARLIE SET ABLAZE OFF PIER TWO, CEBU CITY, ONE SUGAR  
BAKER SUNK OFF KAWIT ISLAND, ONE FOX TARE BAKER SUNK OFF KAWIT  
ISLAND, ONE DESTROYER SET ABLAZE OFF CANAL OPENING TO SOUTH  
NEAR KAWIT ISLAND, ONE FOX TARE DOG SUNK OFF CORDOVA, MACTAN  
ISLAND, FIVE NAVAL LANDING CRAFT SET ABLAZE OFF CANAL OPENING  
TO SOUTH NEAR KAWIT ISLAND, FIVE NAVAL LANDING CRAFT DAMAGED OFF  
LILLOAN ESTUARY, ONE NAVAL LANDING CRAFT SUNK OFF LABOGON, CON-  
SOLACION, SS BASILAN HIT BADLY DAMAGED OFF KAWIT ISLAND. ONE  
UNIDENTIFIED PLANE SHOT DOWN OVER BOCAWE CEBU CITY, ONE JAP  
PLANE SHOT DOWN OFF COMPOSTELA COAST. ENEMY INSTALLATION HIT:-  
LAHUG AIRFIELD SET AFIRE AND UNKNOWN NUMBER OF ENEMY PLANES DAM-  
AGED ON GROUND, HUMAYHUMAY AIRFIELD SET ABLAZE WITH UNKNOWN  
NUMBER OF ENEMY PLANES DAMAGED ON GROUND, CALTEX, PHIL REFINING,  
MADRIVAL OIL MILL, SHELL ISLAND FUEL STORAGE SET ABLAZE, LILLOAN  
GARRISON THREE BARRACKS DIRECTLY HIT, TRADILLA DISTRICT, NORMAL  
SCHOOL GROUND, CAPITOL AREA CEBU CITY ALL SET AFIRE, UG JUNIOR

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 14 September 44

✓ Attached messages (CUSHING NR 145, 146, ABCEDE NR 228, 230, FERTIG NR 809, 811, 812, 817 and 818, KANGLEON NR 62 and ANDREWS NR 20 and 21) report on bombing in the Philippine area.

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16 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 839 15 SEPTEMBER

PRELIMINARY REPORTS 53 POW RESCUED OUT OF TOTAL OF 650,  
REFERENCE OUR NR 821 (FERTIG BELIEVES THIS IS LAST GROUP OF  
POW FROM DAVAO PROV., ROSENQUIST SAYS NO MORE THERE). NO  
DETAILS YET. BOWLER SENT POW MCGEE TO SINDANGAN TO GET INFO  
AND TAKE CHARGE OF THEM.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 16 September 1944

1. Attached message 839 FERTIG discloses that from preliminary reports 53 American PsOW have been rescued out of 650 on board enemy ships sunk. Plans are being made to effect their evacuation within the next few days.

Incl  
Msg 839 from FERTIG.

*W.E.L.*  
S.J.C.

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16 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ABCEDE

NR 235 15 SEPTEMBER

FABRICA AND CADUHAAN AIRFIELDS APPARENTLY MORE ALERT AND BETTER WARNED THAN OTHERS, EIGHT ENEMY PLANES IN TWO FLIGHTS WERE SEEN TO PATROL WHOLE DAY OVER THAT AREA PRIOR TO BOMBING. ADL OTHER FIELDS CAUGHT UNAWARES IN FIRST RAID. ADDITIONAL PARTIAL INFO ON DAMAGE DONE---BUILDINGS IN FABRICA ON FIRE, DIRECT HITS ON FUEL DUMPS IN BACOLOD AND LANOGLANOG, AND FOUR ENEMY PLANES SEEN SHOT DOWN SECOND BOMBING LANOGLANOG.

AGUISAN FIELD NOW BEING USED, OSCARS ARE  $\times$  BASED THERE. JAPS AVOIDING USE OF RUNWAY DUMAGUETE FIELD FOR TAKING OFF AND LANDING BUT USE EASTWARD OR LEFT  $\times$  SIDE FOR TAKING OFF AND RIGHT SIDE FOR LANDING ONLY.

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(P-2 OF CUSHING'S NR 147)

ONE MIKE VICTOR AND NINE NAVAL LANDING CRAFTS. APPROXIMATELY 1000 JAP SOLDIERS SURVIVORS OF JAP VESSEL SUNK OFF NORTHEAST COAST OF CEBU WITH ONE-HALF ARMED AND OTHER HALF UNARMED, ALL FAMISHED NOW ENCAMPED AT YAMBANAY DANA0, CEBU. EIGHT HUNDRED JAP SOLDIERS MOVED OUT TO LUTOPAN TOLEDO, CEBU FROM CITY AFTER BOMBING OF SEPT. 12. OTHER JAPS FROM CITY MOVED OUT TO BABAG HILL, CEBU CITY, LAND ON HEIGHTS CEBU CITY. TAA MILITARY POLICE MOVED TO MANDAUE CEBU. OTHER JAP SOLDIERS MOVED OUT TO LILOAN CEBU. BODY OF LT. W. V. (WILLIAM VICTOR) HENNING, ACT 742 USNR--0 RECOVERED AND BURIED WITH HONORS.

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : CUSHING

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NR 147 14 SEPTEMBER

A-1 REPORT, APPROXIMATELY 120 ENEMY AIRCRAFTS UNABLE TO TAKE OFF DURING SEPT. 12 RAID OF LAHUG AIRFIELD INCLUDING SIX TWIN-ENGINE BOMBERS, TWO TESS TRANSPORTS. TWELVE ENEMY AIRCRAFTS TOOK OFF EARLY LAHUG AIRFIELD BEFORE ARRIVAL OF ALLIED AIRCRAFT AND EIGHT ENEMY AIRCRAFTS ESCAPED TO DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS BY HEDGE HOPPING DURING BOMBING. HUMAYHUMAY AIRFIELD WITH COMPLEMENT OF 50 DIFFERENT ENEMY AIRCRAFT ON THE GROUND DURING RAID SEPT. 12, NONE ESCAPED. KAWIT SEAPLANE BASE WITH COMPLEMENT OF SEVEN ENEMY AIRCRAFTS INCLUDING ONE MAVIS FLYING BOAT UNDER REPAIR AND SIX PETE FLOAT PLANES DURING SEPT. 12 RAID: ONE PETE FLOAT PLANE WAS ABLE TO RUN AWAY. FOUR ENEMY AIRCRAFTS SHOT DOWN OVER LAHUG AIRFIELD. MA

A-1 REPORT OF ADDITIONAL ENEMY SHIPS SUNK OFF CEBU NORTHEAST COAST OF SEPT. 12 RAID FOLLOWS: ONE FOX TARE CHARLIE, ONE FOX TARE DOG AND SUGAR BAKER, ONE FOX BAKER,

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 670 15 SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 13:

SOUND OF GUNFIRE HEARD BY COAST WATCH OFF PUCIO POINT  
FROM ABOUT ZERO NINE TO TWELVE HUNDRED HOW. TWO SHIPS  
OBSERVED IN SMOKE.

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 669 15 SEPTEMBER

OBSERVED A.M. SEPT 14TH:

TWO VESSELS IN ILOILO STRAITS IN FLAMES, GAS DEPOT  
BEHIND ILOILO PROVINCIAL BLDG IN FLAMES, NIP QUARTERS AT  
MANDURRIAQ AIRFIELD RAZED TO GROUND. TIRING AND MANDURRIAQ  
FIELDS ATTACKED AM SEPT 14 BY SMALL GROUPS FRIENDLY PLANES.  
STILL VERIFYING DAMAGE.

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PERALTA

NR 667 14 SEPTEMBER

REACTION TO AIR RAID ALARM NOTED ON SEPTEMBER 12:  
PLANES IN TIRING AND MANDURIAO FIELDS TOOK OFF, GROUND  
PERSONNEL TOOK COVER, VESSELS IN ILOILO PORT TOOK REFUGE  
BEHIND BONDULAN POINT AND OTHER PARTS GUIMARAS. PLANES  
RETURNED TO FIELD ONE HOUR LATER.

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PERALTA  
NR 665 14 SEPTEMBER

ALLEGED LIGHT CRUISER BOMBED SOUTH OF TAGUBANHAN ISLAND  
SEPTEMBER 12, EXPLOSIONS REPORT ONLY HEARD BUT RESULTS UNKNOWN.

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PERALTA

NR 663 14 SEPTEMBER

TWO P. SEPTEMBER 13, REPORTED THAT SIX AMERICAN PLANES STRAFED ILOILO CITY, DAMAGED TWO NIP PLANES AT MANDURRIAIO AIRFIELD, SET FIRE TO GAS DEPOT. SAME DATE OR SEPTEMBER 14 (REPORT DID NOT STATE) 20 PLANES IN WAVES OF FOUR STRAFED TIRING AIRFIELD, DAMAGED ALL 11 PLANES ON GROUND SETTING FIRE TO SOME AND ALSO TO PILOTS QUARTERS. NO INTERCEPTION OR AAA FIRE.

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NR 23 CONTINUED FROM ANSREWS:

HAAN AND ALICANTE TRANSFERRED QUARTERS TO MANAPLA TOWN AMIDST  
CIVILIAN POPULATION.

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16 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : ANDREWS

NR 23 15 SEPTEMBER

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DETAILS RECEIVED TODAY REGARDING NORTH NEGROS RAIDS RESULTS.

FABRICA - DESTROYED: 30 PLANES ON GROUND, TWO ACK ACK EMPLACEMENTS, ONE PILOTS OPERATIONAL TENT, THREE FUEL DUMPS, 7,500 DRUMS GASOLINE, ONE SMALL RADIO STATION AND TWO AMMO TUNNELS OUT OF 18 (CAVE HIT). TEN NIP PLANES DESTROYED IN COMBAT AS FOLLOWS: TWO IN CANDIIS, TWO OFF SAGAY, ONE EACH AT SAN ISIDRO, HDALEONOR, HDAMONFORT, CAMPO SANTIAGO, SITIOTINAMO AND DALUSAN. TWO TRUCKLOADS FULLY LOADED WITH DEAD NIPS AND FIVE CIVIE WORKERS. RUNWAY STILL OKAY. TEN PLANES ESCAPED EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING, AREA NOW CLEAR OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT. 250 PILOTS STRANSFERRED TO POPULATED FORMER AMERICAN QUARTERS.

CADUSAAN - FIRST DAY THREE PLANES SHOT DOWN AND 15 WRECKED ON GROUND. SECOND DAY SEVEN DESTROYED IN AIR (PLANE PARTS AND DETAILS ON WAY HERE) AND ELEVEN ON GROUND. THIRD DAY NO PLANES LEFT TO INTERCEPT. 15 CIVIL WORKERS AND LARGE NUMBER NIP CASUALTIES FIRST RAID. RUNWAY COMPLETELY WRECKED. KANDAON SIZE VESSEL AND FIVE MOTOR BOATS SUNK. AT ALIGANTE ONE AMERICAN PLANE DOWNED BY FLAK. FIRST DAY OF RAID GAS AND OIL DUMPS SET ON FIRE AND NIP QUARTERS HIT. ENEMY AT CADU-

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ANDREWS  
NR 22 14 SEPTEMBER

PARTIAL VERIFIED DAMAGED CAUSED BY NORTH NEGROS RAIDS:  
IN CADUHAAN LAST TUESDAY NEARLY ALL BARRACKS AND MANY GASOLINE  
DUMPS HIT, TWO NIP PLANES SHOT DOWN, PLENTY OF NIPS AND SOME  
CIVIES KILLED. YESTERDAY TWO NIP PLANES SHOT DOWN OVER SAME  
AREA, PARTS OF ONE NOW AVAILABLE, WHILE ONE UNIDENTIFIED PLANE  
WENT DOWN IN FABRICA. AT 0400/Z YESTERDAY NAVY DIVE BOMBERS  
HIT GASOLINE DEPOSITS IN CADUHAAN AND AT 0700/Z FABRICA WAS HIT  
AGAIN WITHOUT ENEMY INTERCEPTION ON BOTH RAIDS. IN BACOLOD TWO  
SHIPS REPORTED HIT AT BANAGO WHARF. ESTIMATED 40 NIP PLANES  
DESTROYED DURING THESE RAIDS.

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16 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 830 15 SEPTEMBER

TAMBONGAN NUMBER 2 MILL NEAR SHORE NOW UNDER RUSH REPAIR WITH NEW MACHINERY. TIMBONGCO LUMBER MILL STILL OPERATES. NIPS NEED LUMBER BADLY REPAIR WORK AND NEW CONSTRUCTION.

DAVAO PROV. BOMBING RESULTS SEPT. 6: ADGAO GAS DUMP HIT 1000 DRUMS GAS BURNED. DIRECT HITS ON AMMUNITION GAS AND OIL DUMPS SANTA ANA AREA; MOST HOUSES BURNED MANY CASUALTIES. REPORTS THAT NIPS GIVE CIVILIANS UNTIL SEPT. 20 TO EVACUATE CITY AREA. TWO Q BOATS SUNK PANAKAN. ALL MACHINERY THERE DISMANTLED SENT UNKNOWN LOCATION.

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG  
NR 829 14 SEPTEMBER

FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TO ALL UNITS THIS COMMAND:  
"SEPT. 16TH WILL BE OBSERVED AS ANNIVERSARY OF  
REACTIVATION OF USFIP. TWO YEARS OF STEADFAST RESISTANCE  
HAS BECOME HISTORY. THE HOUR OF LIBERATION IS NEAR BUT  
CONTINUED RESISTANCE REMAINS THE ORDER OF THE DAY. DEATH  
TO THE INVADER AND HIS PUPPETS."

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 827 14 SEPTEMBER

06 SEPTEMBER BOMBING RESULTS. SANTA ANA TWO AMMUNITION  
DUMPS BURNED. BARRACKS BODEGAS DESTROYED. ACK ACK GUN AND  
CAL. 50 MACHINE GUNS EMPLACEMENTS HIT AND DESTROYED. AMMUNI-  
TION DUMP HIT AND BURNED IN TALAOC. TOYO SOYBEAN AND SOAP  
FACTORY IN DALIAO DESTROYED. ADDITIONAL RE TWO SEPTEMBER  
BOMBING. 250 NIPS KILLED CATITIPAN FIELD INCLUDES EIGHT  
HIGH RANKING OFFICERS. BARRACKS WEST SIDE MATINA FIELD DESTROYED.  
ONE WOOD QUEEN BOAT HIT BURNED. 30 FIGHTERS DESTROYED ON  
GROUND CATITIPAN.

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 826 14 SEPTEMBER

09 SEPTEMBER UNSENT AWAY. GRID FX8676 REPORTED HOSTILE BP NORTHBOUND AND ONE XX TO SOUTH. DELAYED TO HERE. WV

SIX NIP BOATS SIZE UNKNOWN REPORTED SUNK BY OUR PLANES NEAR SIPACA POINT 09 SEPTEMBER.

ESTIMATE CAGAYAN, MISAMIS ORIENTAL, CASUALTIES 138 KILLED APPROXIMATELY 200 WOUNDED. 275 FILIPINOS KILLED OR WOUNDED WORKING ON CAGAYAN AIRFIELDS. ALL FILIPINO LABORERS BELIEVED TO HAVE FLED NOW. CORRECTION ERROR PREVIOUS REPORT CAGAYAN BRIDGE WAS NOT DESTROYED. NIPS TAKE COVER OUTSIDE TOWN DURING DAY BUT SLEEP INSIDE. SOME ACK ACK MOVED TO TIBASAK ABOUT ONE ONE HALF KILOMETERS SOUTH CAGAYAN BRIDGE AND ON RIVER.

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15 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 823 14 SEPTEMBER

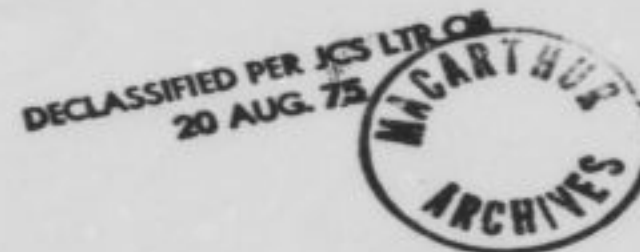
10 SEPTEMBER MORE NIPS ARRIVED MANAY, DAVAO PROVINCE  
GARRISON NOW 300 SOLDIERS 100 CIVILIANS. ENEMY BUILDING  
BIVOUAC AT POINT MANAOL NEAR MANAY LEAVING ONLY OUTPOST IN  
TOWN.

MANY NIP CIVILIANS ENTERING COTABATO PROVINCE FROM  
DAVAO BUT NO REPORT SIMILAR TROOP MOVEMENT.

DURING BOMBING OF GLAN, COTABATO PROVINCE ABOUT 30 NIP  
PLANES ESCAPED AND SAME NUMBER REPORTED DAMAGED OR DESTROYED  
ON GROUND. MANY ENEMY CASUALTIES.

15 BABY TANKS ARMED WITH TWO 20 MM ARRIVED ZAMBOANGA  
AREA RECENTLY.

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To: Chief of Staff

Date: 16 September 1944

Herewith are messages NR 823, 826, 827, 829 and 830 from FERTIG, NR 22 and 23 ANDREWS, NR 663, 665, 667, 669 and 670 from PERALTA, NR 147 from CUSHING and NR 235 from ABCEDE, in re bombing raids in the PHILIPPINE area.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 850 16 SEPTEMBER

NIP OUTPOSTS MAUGPO, BINCONGAN, MADAUM AND PAGESABANGAN WERE EVACUATED 09 SEPTEMBER.

DAVAO PROVINCE BOMBING TARGETS GOOD AS OF 09 SEPTEMBER: BUHANGIN LARGE GARRISON ABOUT 1500 METERS REAR DAVAO CABRE. TIBONGCO ELECTRIC PLANT STILL FUNCTIONS. ONE COMPANY TROOPS, LARGE QUANTITY GAS LOCATED EAST SIDE NORTH ROAD BETWEEN KMS 20 AND 21. PILOTS QUARTERS BETWEEN KMS SEVEN AND EIGHT WEST SIDE NORTH ROAD. 1500 DRUMS GAS DISPERSED FOR 1500 METERS 10 METERS FROM EACH SIDE BARRIO ROAD LEADING TO INTERIOR FROM KM 27 DAVAO PROVINCE NORTH ROAD STARTING 200 METERS FROM NATIONAL HIGHWAY. 500 MARINES GARRISONED ONE KM INTERIOR FROM NATIONAL HIGHWAY BOTH SIDE DAVAO PROVINCE, 10TH MILITARY DISTRICT.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 849 16 SEPTEMBER

DAVAO PROV. BOMBING REPORT AS OF SEPT. 9. ONE THOUSAND TON BOAT SUNK BETWEEN SASA AND SAMAL ISLAND. TWO HUNDRED SOLDIERS KILLED LICANAN FIELD. FOUR TRANSPORTS SUNK BETWEEN SAMAL AND TALIKUD. NEW MARKET, WATARI SHUDAN KEIRIBU OFFICE AND WIRELESS COMPLETELY DESTROYED. MATINA NOW OUT OF SERVICE, BOMB AND GAS DUMPS EAST OF RUNWAY ALL BURNED. FOOD DUMPS WANGAN, MINTAL AND BAYABAS BURNED. MAIN WATER SUPPLY CITY PROPER DAMAGED. CITY EMERGENCY LANDING FIELD WITH PLANES AND GAS DUMPS, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS ALL HIT. KINGKING BOMBED BURNING HOUSES AND DESTROYING RADIO STATION ALONG SINGLE ROAD. MOTOR LAUNCH SUNK NEAR KINGKING. NIPS HAVE EXPRESSED SURPRISE AMERICANS' KNOWLEDGE IMPORTANT TARGETS.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG  
NR 848 16 SEPTEMBER

AUGUST 29, SOUTHBOUND SEVEN SHIP CONVOY PROBABLY LOWER  
END SURIGAO PROVINCE ATTACKED BY LONE BOMBER, THREE SHIPS  
SUNK. RELIABLE REPORT SAYS NIPS LEFT HINATUAN, SURIGAO PROV.,  
BISLIG, SURIGAO, AND LINGIG, SURIGAO, ABOUT AUG. 25. DAVAO  
PROV. TARGETS AS OF SEPT. 9: TOYO FACTORY IN REAR FORMER  
PUBLIC MARKET IS DYNAMITE STORAGE DEPOT; SEVERAL Q BOATS HIDDEN  
NEAR MOUTH DAVAO RIVER; MARINES BARRACK LOCATED CORNER  
UYANGOREN AND CLAVERIA STS., NEAR FORMER PUBLIC HOSPITAL.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 845 16 SEPTEMBER

LICANAN, HOLES IN RUNWAY 1, AND 2 NOT REPAIRED. NIPS USING CONNECTING RUNWAY NEAREST NATIONAL ROAD. ONE THOUSAND DRUMS GAS STORED UNDER COCO TREES ILANG SECTOR BETWEEN KILOMETERS 16 AND 17 AT WEST JUNCTION TRIANGULAR ROAD WEST SIDE OF HIGHWAY. SEPT. 14, FIGHTERS STRAFED WOLFE, MINDANAO, RECODO AND PETTITT BARRACKS. FIRES STARTED EXPLOSIONS HEARD. NO INTERCEPTION. SEPT. 14, DRIBER RAID OBSERVED BY OUR MEN. HIT PANAKAN SASA AREAS. NO NIP PLANES BUT ACKACK VERY ACTIVE FROM SASA. HEAVY GUNFIRE HEARD FAR TO SOUTH 0600H SAME DATE

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG  
NR 843 16 SEPTEMBER

STATION V I M HAS BEEN CALLING US BUT DUE INTERFERENCE UNABLE RECEIVE HIS PRIORITY MESSAGE. DAVAO PROV. TARGETS UNTOUCHED AS OF SEPT. 9. PANAKAN SHIPYARDS 500 METERS EAST SIDE KILOMETER 14 NORTH ROAD NOW BUILDING DUMMY PLANES, TROOP CONCENTRATIONS MALAGAMO TWO KILOMETERS WEST KILOMETER 14 NORTH ROAD ALSO KILOMETER 30 NORTH ROAD AT PANOBO. SEPT. 9, SIX SEAPLANES DESTROYED SASA BY STRAFFING. MATINA FIELD REPORTED UNUSABLE SINCE SEPT. 2. GRINSTEAD SAYS VERY FEW NIP PLANES HIS AREA SINCE SEPT. 10.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 842 16 SEPTEMBER

SEPT. 14, 32 PLANES ATTACKED BUAYAN, COTABATO PROV.,  
ACKACK FIRE BUT NO PLANES SEEN HIT. SEPT. 9, BUAYAN RESULTS:  
SUPPLY DUMP ONE KILOMETER NORTHWEST FIELD HIDDEN IN FOREST  
SET AFIRE; ENEMY ACKACK FROM FOREST AND FROM MAKAR; NO PLANES  
SEEN HIT.

HEAVY ENCOUNTER WITH NIPS SURIGAO PROV. THEIR CASUALTIES  
HEAVY, NONE OUR TEAM. WATERS AROUND SURIGAO PROV. BELIEVED  
MINED AS LAUNCHES MEET INCOMING SHIPS.

FROM BOHOL, RATED C-2: AIRFIELD AT BARRIO DANA0 18 MILES  
FROM TAGBILARAN NOW COMPLETED. DISPERSAL AREA UNDER COCO TREES.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ABCEDE

NR 238 16 SEPTEMBER

RESULTS OF NOON BOMBING SEPT. 14, NEGROS: BACOLOD AND  
LACARLOTA AIRFIELDS HIT, TALISAY SUGAR CENTRAL HIT AND BURNED,  
SEVEN ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ABCEDE

NR 236 16 SEPTEMBER

DAMAGE REPORTED DURING DUMAGUETE RAID BY 50 PLANES FROM 0700/Z TO 0800/Z 12 SEPTEMBER: ALL PLANES EXCEPT ONE DESTROYED ON GROUND. LANDING FIELD, WHARF, BARRACKS, GUY HALL OF SILLIMAN UNIVERSITY AND NURSERY BUILDING SEVERELY DAMAGED. SUPPLY AND AMMUNITION DEPOTS HIT AND BURNED (FIRE AND SMOKE SEEN MILES AWAY). THREE ENEMY VESSELS ALONGSIDE WHARF DESTROYED. ENEMY SUFFERED UNKNOWN NUMBER CASUALTIES. ONE TOWN SIQUIJOR ISLAND REPORTED BOMBED AND BURNED SAME DAY.

HEAVIER DAMAGE WITH BIGGER FIRES REPORTED SECOND DAY BOMBING DUMAGUETE FROM 0000/Z TO 0100/Z 13 SEPTEMBER. WILL REPORT FURTHER DETAILS.

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COMPLETELY DAMAGED. ALL BUILDINGS DESTROYED. CITY PROPER BUILDING BADLY DAMAGED ARE SAN CARLOS COLLEGE. DAIDO, BODEGA, MADRIGAL OIL MILL, BC HQX, SHAMROCK HOTEL BUILDING, FORT SAN PEDRO. PROVINCIAL JAIL, NORMAL SCHOOL, PIER ONE AND THREE, CEBU TRADE SCHOOL, CITY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, SNEED DORMITORY, OPON DRY DOCKS, SAN NICOLAS DRY DOCK. FUEL DUMPS BLASTED ARE CALTEX, SHELL ISLAND, STANDARD, PHIL REFINING. AT NORTHEAST PROLONGATION OF GORO RD OR AVE 350 METERS FROM JUNCTION OF GORO RD OR AVE AND MAIN ROAD TO LAHUG AIR FIELD IS HIDDEN AMMUNITION STORAGE CONCRETE TUNNEL NUMBER ONE OF SIZE FOUR BY TWO BY 30 METERS. TUNNEL NUMBER TWO IS AROUND 200 METERS FROM .....(PART MISSING HERE).....VESSELS. OTHER OBJECTIVE NOT HIT IN CITY IS WIRELESS MANDAWA FUEL DUMP. LAHUG AIRFIELD REPAIR UNDERGOING AT NIGHT.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : CUSHING

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NR 149 15 SEPTEMBER (INCOMPLETE)



B-1 REPORT OF ENEMY PLANES BLASTED AND BURNED ON LAHUG AIR FIELD 70 TO 100 PLANES. HUMAYHUMAY AIR FIELD 40 TO 50 PLANES. KAWIT SEAPLANE BASE SIX PLANES. ADDITIONAL REPORT THREE UNIDENTIFIED ENEMY VESSELS SUNK OFF ALCOY, CEBU SEEN BY NAVAL OP IN SOUTH. ON 12 AND 13 SEPTEMBER BOMBING: ON ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN BESIDES REPORTED FOUR ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN OVER LAHUG AIR FIELD FOLLOWS: TWO JAP INTERCEPTORS SHOT DOWN AND CRASHED ON MANGEAYE CEBU CITY. TWO BOMBERS SHOT DOWN AND CRASHED REAR OF BUILDING AND REPORTED PETE FLOAT PLANE SHOT DOWN AND CRASHED OFF COMPOSTELA COAST. ALLIED FIGHTERS LOST THREE PLANES SHOT DOWN BY ENEMY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE. ONE PILOT OF THREE PLANES SHOT DOWN BAILED OUT AND RESCUED BY COMPANIONS. ENEMY INSTALLATIONS HIT AND DESTROYED FOLLOWS: IN LAHUG AREA, LAHUG AIR FIELD NOT AVAILABLE FOR LANDING AND TAKING OFF SINCE START OF BOMBING. ONE TUNNEL AMMUNITION STORAGE HIT DIRECTLY. OFFICERS QUARTERS DIRECTLY HIT. OPERATION BUILDING DIRECTLY HIT. GANZALES BUILDING BADLY DAMAGED. AVIATION GAS DUMP HIT. HUMAYHUMAY AIR FIELD

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 17 September 1944

Herewith are messages NR 149 from CUSHING, NR 236 and 238 from ABCEDE and NR 842, 843, 845, 848, 849 and 850 from FERTIG in re bombing results in the PHILIPPINES.

*S.J.C.*  
S.J.C.

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17 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 855 17 SEPTEMBER

PRISONER OF WAR MCGEE REPORTS: 750 AMERICANS ON  
PRISON BOAT TORPEDOED OFF LILOY 07 SEPTEMBER. 83 SUR-  
VIVORS, 26 OF WHOM ARE OFFICERS. ALL NOW IN SIMDANGAN.  
30 WOUNDED AND TWO HAVE GANGRENE. DO YOU WISH NAMES OF  
SURVIVORS BY RADIO OR ALL OF FACTS BY PICK UP? INFORMA-  
TION STILL INCOMPLETE.

HAVE INSTRUCTED BOWLER TO RUSH MEDICINE AND DOCTORS  
THERE.

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Date: 18 September 1944

Attached message NR 855 from FERTIG gives the latest information on American PsOW survivors. Arrangements have been made for their evacuation.

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19 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PERALTA

NR 680 17 SEPTEMBER

AT LEAST 200 NIPS KILLED OR WOUNDED IN BOMBING  
ILOILO CITY WITH TWO PLANES VERIFIED DESTROYED AT MANDURRIAO  
FIELD. (SALAMAT PO.)

*Thank you, Sir.*

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19 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : SMITH

NR 44 17 SEPTEMBER

SEPT. 10 PLANE REPORT: ON LEGASPI 60 PLANES, TYPES NOT GIVEN. PILI ONE LILY AND THREE ZEKES. BULAN, ASAYAN, PACARACALE (PARACALE ?) AND DAET NO PLANES. SEPT. 13 AT 0630 21 AMERICAN PLANES OVER LEGASPI. DAMAGE REPORTED TO BE HEAVY BY ESCODERO. DETAILS GIVEN ARE AS FOLLOWS: TWO JAP PLANES LEFT BURNING ON FIELD. PATROL BOAT SUNK NEAR RAPU-RAPU ISLAND. HAVE REQUESTED MORE DETAILED REPORT ON DAMAGE.

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19 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 860 18 SEPTEMBER

ZAMBOANGA PROV. INFO. TUNNEL ENTRANCE KILOMETER 4  
PASONANCA ROAD CONTAINS SWITCHES TO LAND MINES ON SAN ROQUE  
FIELD. EIGHT PATROL BOATS USE RIOHONDO, BALIWASAN AND  
RECODO AS ANCHORAGE. FIFTY THOUSAND SACKS RICE STORED  
PASONANCA. AMMUNITION SUPPLY DUMP AT KILOMETER 4. THIS  
INFO OBTAINED SINCE AMERICAN RAIDS.

TWO HUNDRED NIP SURVIVORS STRANDED AT LUGON ON  
MALAPASCUA ISLAND NORTH CEBU. KANGLEON CAUGHT 41 NIP SUR-  
VIVORS NORTHWEST COAST LEYTE.

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19 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 857 18 SEPTEMBER

SASA AIRFIELD SEPT. 14, RUNWAY NUMBER 1 REPAIRED AND  
IN USE. TWO FIGHTER PLANES SEEN LANDING THIS RUNWAY. NIPS  
RETURNED SEPT. 15 SJ GLAN, COTABATO PROV. OUR UNITS  
DEMOLISHED COTA AND FOUND BURIED MILITARY SUPPLIES. ZAM-  
BOANGA PROV. NORTH AND WEST COASTS ALL CLEAR SEPT. 17.

(GARBLED LETTERS POSSIBLY "TO" OR "SW.")

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To: Chief of Staff

Date: 19 September 1944.

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22 SEPTEMBER 44

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 698 21 SEPTEMBER

TOTAL 11 PURSUITS LANDED TIRING AIRFIELD AFTERNOON  
19 SEPTEMBER PARKED EAST SIDE RUNWAY. SEVEN A 20 SEPT-  
EMBER, EIGHT PURSUITS TOOK OFF HEADING NORTH. ENEMY  
REPAIRING BOTH TIRING AND MANDURIAO AIRFIELDS AT NIGHT.

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22 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 694 20 SEPTEMBER

FURTHER VERIFICATION TIRING AIRFIELD:  
SIX PLANES BURNED, 16 DESTROYED. AFTER REPAIR OF  
LANDING STRIPS THREE PURSUITS LANDED MANDURIAO AIRFIELD,  
ONE AT TIRING AIRFIELD LATE AFTERNOON OF 18 SEPTEMBER.

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22 SEPTEMBER

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 877 21 SEPTEMBER

IF RAID EXPECTED NIPS MALAYBALAY HIDE IN FOXHOLES CEMETERY ONE KILOMETER SOUTHEAST FROM NORMAL SCHOOL CENTER TOWN. RUMORED THAT SEVERAL REINFORCEMENTS FROM COTABATO PROVINCE ARRIVED KABACAN, COTABATO, MARAMAG, BUKIDNON AREA. NIPS IN MANAY DAVAO CLAIM THEY HAVE POISON GAS AND WILL USE IN FINAL EMERGENCY. ATTEMPTING INFILTRATE AGENTS FOR VISUAL VERIFICATION.

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21 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FEBTIG  
NR 867 19 SEPTEMBER

FLOATING MINE REPORTED BETWEEN CAMIGUIN ISLAND AND BOHOL. SAME AREA NIPS USING MOROM BOATS CAMOUFLAGED AS BANCAS. ZAMBOANGA PROVINCE BOMBING RESULTS 14 SEPTEMBER: 15 NIP PLANES BADLY DAMAGED UNDER COCO TREES MINDANAO FIELD. EIGHT NIP AVIATORS KILLED. DON LE COUVRE IN ZAMBOANGA PROVINCE HAS ONE CAPTURED JAP SOLDIER.

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20 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MA CARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 866 19 SEPTEMBER

THREE PETERS, 10 BAKERS DESTROYED AT LOWER SOUTH SIDE  
NUMBER 1 RUNWAY SASA SEPT. 9 RAID. ON SEPT. 11TH, THIS  
RUNWAY UNUSABLE, NUMBER 2 RUNWAY OK. RUSHED LABOR NIP  
SOLDIERS FILLED EIGHT CRATERS LICANAN NUMBER 1 RUNWAY MAKING  
IT SERVICEABLE ON SEPT. 15. THAT DATE TWO FIGHTERS, ONE  
BOMBER ON FIELD. REPAIRS BEING RUSHED MATINA BUT STILL OUT  
OF SERVICE ON 15TH.

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NR 67 (CONTINUED)

AND SET AFIRE OFF SAN ISIDRO TOWN. ONE TRANSPORT TAIHE MARU BOMBED AND SET AFIRE OFF WEST COAST LEYTE. ONE VESSEL STRANDED AT TAANCAN POINT ON SOUTH END LEYTE AFTER IT WAS MACHINE GUNNED BY TWO PLANES. THE VESSEL WAS BURNED BY YOUR TROOPS AND SURVIVORS ROUNDED UP AND ACCOUNTED FOR. ANOTHER VESSEL BEACHED AT BARRIO AGUINALDO, MACROHON AFTER IT WAS MACHINE GUNNED BY TWO PLANES. THE VESSEL WAS DESTROYED AND SURVIVORS ROUNDED UP BY YOUR TROOPS. 21 SEACRAFT WERE SEEN INTERCEPTED BY CARRIER BASED PLANES ON WATERS BETWEEN LEYTE AND CEBU. ONE ENEMY BOMBER WAS SHOT DOWN BETWEEN BURGOS AND LIMASAWA ISLAND.

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22 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : KANGLEON

NR 67 19 SEPTEMBER

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PARTIAL REPORT OF DESTRUCTION AND DAMAGE DONE TO ENEMY  
INSTALLATIONS BY CARRIER BASED PLANES 12 AND 13 SEPTEMBER:  
AT CATAISAN LANDING FIELD, RUNWAY WAS DAMAGED. OF FUEL DEPOSIT  
HIT AND SET AFIRE. CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. TWO INTERCEPTORS BROUGHT  
DOWN, ONE DOVE INTO SEA AND THE OTHER FORCED DOWN ON TOP HILL  
OF TANAWAN TOWN. AT DULAG LANDING FIELD: RUNWAY DAMAGED, THREE  
PLANES AND ONE TRUCK DESTROYED ON GROUND. 100 DRUMS OF GASOLINE  
AND CRUDE OIL HIT AND SET AFIRE. CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. SAN PABLO  
LANDING FIELD: RUNWAY DESTROYED, TWO ENEMY PLANES HIT AND  
CRASHED DOWN WHERE LANDING. ANOTHER PLANE BLOWN TO BITS WHILE  
TRYING TO TAKE OFF. ABOUT 600 DRUMS OF GASOLINE HIT AND BURNED.  
MALABCA LANDING FIELD: RUNWAY SLIGHTLY DAMAGED AND 150 DRUMS  
OF GASOLINE HIT AND SET AFIRE. 28 NIPS AND NINE FILIPINO  
LABORERS KILLED. SANDIEGO LANDING FIELD: RUNWAY DAMAGED, 80  
DRUMS OF GASOLINE BURST INTO FLAME AND ONE TRUCK TURNED TURTLE.  
CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. SHIPPING: ONE FOX BAKER AND ONE MOTOR  
VESSEL CARRYING SURVIVORS FROM ARMED TRANSPORT MIHARA MARU  
SUNK IN SURIGAO WATERS, WAS BOMBED AND SUNK OFF HILINGOS TOWN.  
ONE VESSEL SEEN BURNING OFF BAYBAY TOWN. THREE VESSELS BOMBED

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NR 151 CONTINUED:

ARMAMENTS WITH TWO ANTI-AIRCRAFT APPROXIMATELY 37 MILLIMETER CALIBRE AND TWO TORPEDOES MANNED BY EIGHT CNEWAPER (CREW PER?) PATROL BOAT. MORE INFORMATION SHALL FOLLOW. JAPS FROM CITY MOVED OUT TO HOUSES ALONG MAIN HIGHWAY FROM MANDAUE TO LILOAN IN THE NORTH AND PARDO TO NAGA IN THE SOUTH.

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22 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : CUSHING

NR 151 18 SEPTEMBER

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ADDITIONAL REPORTS, ENEMY VESSELS SUNK 12 AND 13 SEPTEMBER RAID FOLLOWS:

TWO MINE CRAFT WITH TWO "Q" BOATS SUNK OFF BOLJOON. REPORTED THREE ENEMY UNIDENTIFIED VESSELS SUNK OFF ALCOY VERIFIED TO BE "Q" BOATS. AS OF INFORMATION RECEIVED 17 SEPTEMBER, FIVE NAVAL LANDING CRAFT TAKING REFUGE AT MAILON POINT, BOGO WELL CAMOUFLAGED ALL LOADED AT 0215/Z. REPORTED 1,000 JAP SURVIVORS ENCAMPED IN DANAQ MOVED OUT TO YATE LILOAN IN CIVILIAN HOUSES DAY FOLLOWING ARRIVAL IN DANAQ. ASTURIAS AND BALAMBAN GARRISON COMPLETELY WITHDREW TO TOLEDO, CEBU 15 SEPTEMBER. OU INFORMATION RECEIVED 15 SEPTEMBER, FOUR NIP MOTOR TORPEDO BOATS HIDING IN SPACE BEHIND MARKET TO ESTACA COMPOSTELA, CEBU.

DESCRIPTION FOLLOWS:

LENGTH 50 FEET, BEAM 10 FEET, DRAFT 5 FEET, ALL APPROXIMATION.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 22 September 1944

Herewith are messages, 151 from CUSHING, 67 from KANGLEON, 866, 867, 877 from FERTIG, 694, 698 from PERALTA, in re results of bombing in the Philippine area.

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AG, USAFFE  
Thru AG, GHQ

28 Sept 1944

Herewith copy of message number 46, 20 September from Lieut. Col.  
Charles Smith reporting the death in action of Second Lieut. Luis P.  
Padilla, O-1305300, 521st Reconnaissance Battalion, in SAMAR, Philippines.

S.J.C.



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Thru AG, USAFFE  
AG, GHQ

28 September 1944

For your appropriate action herewith is copy of message number 926, 27 September, from the C.O., 10th Military District reporting the death in action of Captain Fred Fiegal. Mrs. Joan Fiegal has returned to the United States.

S.J.S.



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29 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PERALTA

NR 730 28 SEPTEMBER

MINDORO RELEASED WAR PRISONERS BEING CALLED FOR SERVICE BY JAPS PER RADIOGRAM RECEIVED BY GOVERNOR ABELIDA FROM PUPPET PRESIDENT LAUREL. JAP CIVILIANS IN MINDORO ALSO CALLED TO ACTIVE SERVICE, LEFT FOR LUZON 19 SEPTEMBER. FOREGOING FROM JURADO.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 29 September 1944

1. Attention is invited to PERALTA's attached message number 730 disclosing that the enemy has called up all released PsOW in accordance with the undertaking expressly contained in the parole agreement.

2. This development would appear to bear close watching.

Incl  
Msg nr 730 from PERALTA.

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29 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 735 29 SEPTEMBER

PER NIP MP BULLETIN, ILOILO CITY: PRESIDENT LAUREL  
DECLARED WAR AGAINST UNITED NATIONS 23RD SEPTEMBER, COMPULSORY  
CONSCRIPTION OF ABLE BODIED MEN FROM 18 TO 40 YEARS.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 29 September 1944

Attention invited to attached message number 735 from PERALTA and particularly that part thereof advising of the institution of compulsory conscription.

Incl:  
Msg 735 fr PERALTA

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S.J.C.  
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30 SEPTEMBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG  
NR 951 29 SEPTEMBER

AS REPORTED ENEMY CONTINUE TO WITHDRAW TROOPS FROM SURIAGO AGUSAN. ROSENQUIST ARRIVED FROM DAVAO PROV AND REPORTS MORALE OF JAP ARMY VERY LOW AND WITHOUT MUCH INTEREST IN FORTHCOMING FIGHT. ROSENQUIST WILL REMAIN HERE AT MY HQS UNTIL G 2 REPORTS ARE COMPLETED.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 30 September 1944

Attention is invited to attached FERTIG message number 951 giving further confirmation of low morale of the enemy in DAVAO Province.

Incl:  
Msg 951 fr  
Fertig

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05 OCTOBER 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 998 04 OCTOBER

YOUR NR 26 PARAPHRASED AND FORWARDED TO ALL SUBORDINATE  
COMMANDERS FOR ACTION. INSTRUCTIONS HAD ALREADY BEEN ISSUED  
TO CONCENTRATE COLLABORATORS FOR ACTION BY COMMONWEALTH  
AUTHORITIES. THESE INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE BROUGHT INTO  
CONFORMITY WITH YOUR ORDER IF THEY INCREASE PRESSURE AGAINST  
THE ENEMY.

WE AWAIT YOUR RETURN.

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From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 5 October 1944

Attention is invited to FERTIG's attached message, number 998, responding to our message directing development of maximum interior strength through unification of all elements against the enemy and restricting his action against collaborators.

Incl:  
Msg 998  
fr Fertig

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AG, USAFFE  
Thru AG, GPO

7 October 1944

Attention is invited to attached message, number 13, from the Commanding Officer, 10th Military District, reporting additional American personnel still free in LUZON.

Incls  
Msg 13 fr  
Fertig

S.J.C.



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Thru AG, USAFFE  
AG, OMC

7 October 1944

Attention is invited to attached message, number 5, from the  
Commanding Officer, 10th Military District, Philippines, advising of  
the fact that two American POW therein named and recently rescued  
have elected to remain on duty with his Command rather than be evacuated.

Incls  
Msg nr 5 fr  
Fortig

S.J.C.



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involved shall cause me to suspend operations against your military installations in the City of Manila for such reasonable period as may be necessary to permit their removal, neutralization, or destruction, and the evacuation of your military forces to without the city limits. Its rejection will compel me, from considerations of military necessity, to subject such military installations to attack with maximum violence until their complete destruction has been accomplished. In such eventuality you shall bear full responsibility for the unavoidable loss of civilian life and destruction of surrounding public and private property incident to such military operations.

Failure to state your position on this matter within \_\_\_\_\_ days from and after issuance of this call upon you shall be construed by me as its rejection and offensive operations will proceed accordingly.

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR,  
General, U.S. Army,  
Commander in Chief.



**DRAFT**



**To: The Commander in Chief, Japanese Military Forces in the Philippines,  
Field Marshal, Gen. Teruzumi.**

On the 26th day of December 1941 to the end that the City of Manila, as an open and undefended city and its civil population might, under the rules and customs of war, be spared the violence and destruction of air bombardment, as Commander in Chief of the forces engaged in defense of the Philippines, I withdrew from the City all military personnel and removed therefrom, neutralized, or destroyed all military installations, munitions and other stores requisite to the prosecution of war.

The Japanese forces now occupying the City of Manila have extensively fortified the same. They have billeted therein military personnel in large numbers and have established storage depots throughout the center of the city for the deposit of munitions, fuel, and other military supplies, utilizing for such purpose churches, schools, office buildings, and private dwellings. Such military dispositions are in complete disregard of the historic practice among military commanders to afford the full measure of protection to such civil edifices and surrounding non-combatants as the military situation reasonably will permit. All such installations are legitimate military objectives of our offensive action and yet due to the location thereof their destruction is impossible without accompanying disaster to surrounding civil communities.

That the City of Manila, its historic and cultural monuments and civil populace may be spared the destruction inevitably to result from our direct attack upon such military objectives, I now call upon you to take action paralleling that taken by me in reference. Acceptance by you of the humanitarian principles

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Chief of Staff

11 October 1944

1. Suggest that call upon the Japanese Commander in Chief be couched in language of the tenor of attached draft.

Incl  
1 draft.

S.J.C.



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Chief of Staff

11 October 1944

1. Attention is invited to attached message, number 89, from SMITH recommending the appointment of a Civil government in SAMAR.
2. The individuals mentioned by Colonel SMITH should be given serious consideration when action upon his recommendation is to be taken, as he has had ample opportunity to evaluate the loyalty of and qualities of leadership possessed by the personalities in SAMAR.
3. It would appear however that this is a matter which might be reserved for the action of the Commonwealth Government when the military situation will permit following its re-establishment on Philippine soil.

Incls  
msg 89 fr  
Smith

S.J.C.



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AG, USAFFE  
Thru: AG, CHQ

13 October 1944

Attention is invited to attached radiographic report from Major Volekman listing Americans on active duty in the Philippines.

Incls  
Mag nr 8 fr Volekman

S.J.C.



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Chief of Staff

13 October 1944

Attention is invited to the attached report of Jurado on the results of the Manila bombing.

Incls  
Mag 750 fr PERALTA

S.J.C.



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Chief of Staff

13 October 1944

1. Attention is invited to attached msgs 770 and 776 from Peralta in re Dean Maximo Kalaw and the family of the President.
2. Recommend no action at this time.

S.J.C.



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Chief of Staff  
thru G-5

14 October 1944

Recommended that attached message be passed to President Truman.

1 Incl.

Radio message NR 69 from Inginiere

S.I.C.



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From: G-3

To: C/S

Date: 15 Oct. 44

Attention is invited to attached message number 1 from Commander Parsons.

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21 OCTOBER

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : FERTIG

NR 129 20 OCTOBER

REFERENCE YOUR SPECIAL NR 12:

ALL EMERGENCY CURRENCY PRINTED PRIOR TO 01 SEPTEMBER 1943 IS COVERED BY COMPLETE RECORDS MAILED YOU IN NOVEMBER THAT SAME YEAR. BETWEEN 01 NOVEMBER 1943 AND 30 SEPTEMBER 1944, 11,321,475 PESOS ONLY WERE PRINTED IN LANA O AND AGUSAN. OF THAT AMOUNT, 10,862,031 PESOS AND 20 CENTAVOS WERE ADVANCED TO USFIP. 1,459,443.80 PESOS WERE EXPENDED BY COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT.

SINCE 01 OCTOBER 1944, 4,166,650 PESOS ONLY WERE PRINTED IN ZAMBOANGA. 3,730,165 PESOS WERE ADVANCED TO THE USFIP. 435,000 WERE EXPENDED BY CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

THIS REPORT IS CORRECT FOR THE 31 OF OCTOBER 1944.

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5 File No.:

Subject:

From: G-3 Philippine Sub-div.

To: G-5

Date: 21 October 1944

1. The attached radiogram from FERTIG, NR 129 dated 20 October is forwarded for your information.

2. Request radiogram be returned for file with this section.

1 Incl.  
Radiogram Nr 129.

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L.A.T.

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17 SEPTEMBER 44

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 852 17 SEPTEMBER

MANZANO IN CAGAYAN AREA REPORTS THAT AFTER AIR RAIDS NIPS GREATLY DEMORALIZED. HE SAYS CONTROL CAGAYAN AREA AND MOST FIELDS COULD HAVE BEEN ACQUIRED WITH VERY FEW TROOPS, PRACTICALLY NO OPPOSITION AT FIELDS.

ARTHUR KING MILLER ASN 17078124, SPECIFICATION NUMBER 3155, ONE OF THREE AMERICAN FLYERS BAILING OUT 01 SEPTEMBER TAKEN TO KEMPEI DAVAO PROVINCE HEADQUARTERS FOR INTERROGATION. NIPS LATER ANNOUNCED ALL AMERICAN AIRMEN WERE DEAD WHEN FOUND. PLANE CRASHED CATALUNAN.

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20 AUG. 75



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File No.:

Subject:

From: G-3

To: Chief of Staff

Date: 18 December 1944

Attention is invited to report of Colonel MANZANO on enemy reaction to recent bombing raids as contained in attached FERTIG message NR 852.

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SERIAL NUMBER.	FROM —	DATE.	TO —	SYNOPSIS.
1	G-3	10 June 44	C/S	Fwding Navy msg disclosing movement south -48 warships and 24 medium loaded transports.
2	G-3	12 June 44	C/S	Navy msg disclosing enemy task force in Davao Gulf on 1 June.
3	G-3	13 June 44	C/S	Msgs. from SMITH re distribution of supplies in spite of great enemy pressure.
4	CW	17 June 44	Gen. CHAMBERS	Msg from Fertig suggests Air Forces should be brought into picture of Airfield construction
5	G-3	21 June 44	C/S	Msg fr Cmdr 7th Fleet to members of coast watcher system.
6	C.W.	25 June 44	G-2	Msg fr PERALTA requesting clarification of msg.
7	C."	1 July 44	Col. Mellnik Gen Chambers	Msg from Smith re Bicolis - should be referred to G-3 planning
8	G-3	8 July 44	AG, USAFFE Thru AG, GHQ	Msg from Fertig recommending commissions .
9	G-3	8 July 44	G-1 Thru: Chief Surgeon	Msg from Peralta requesting we broadcast instructions on Sulfa Drugs.
10	G-3	10 July 44	C/S	Msgs from Fertig re enemy pressure against his and BOWLERS position
11	G-3	12 July 44	C/S	Msgs from Fertig re enemy pressure against his position.
12	G-3	15 July 44	C/S	Msgs from Anderson- Situation in Luzon - Area ANDERSON is responsible for - Re promotions. ANDERSON, BARROS, LAPHAM, PETTITT
13	G-3	22 July 44	C/S Thru: G-1	Re PERALTA-CONFESOR conflict- attempt to adjust differences
14	G-3	31 July 44	C. Sig. O.-GHQ	Msg fr FERTIG fwded for corrective action deemed appropriate.
15	G-3	21 August 44	C/S	Msg. from ISRM discloses Mindoro is again within our communication and intelligence system.
16	G-3	3 August 44	G-2	Re msg 551 from Fertig - Re naval movement - do you desire such info developed along more specific lines.
17	G-3	3 August 44	G-2	Msg fr FERTIG telling he is sending MANZANO to Balingasag.
18	C.W.	3 August 44	Gen. Chambers	Msg. from Rowe discloses his position.
19	G-3	17 Aug 44	C/S	First msg re Davao bombings.

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20	G-3	18 Aug 44	C/S	Msgs from FERTIG requesting he be furnished with food by air drops.
21	G-3	18 Aug 44	G-2	Msg from CUSHING - Asking them to prepare a reply.
22	G-3	19 Aug 44	C/S	Msgs from ANDERSON and LAPHAM re senior officers.
23	G-3	21 Aug 44	C/S	Msg from ANDERSON reflects wide coverage of intelligence.
24	G-3	21 Aug 44	C/S	Msg from ANDERSON discloses shifting of American Internees from Los Banos to Fort McKinley. - Radio to War Department for approval and dispatch.
25	G.W.	29 July 44	Gen. Chambers	Re development of intel. requirements in 10th M.D. Development of roads.
26	G-3	27 Aug 44	C/S	Msg from VOLKMAN discloses radio communication has been established with him. Suggested reply.
27	G-3	27 Aug 44	C/S	Msg fr ANDERSON again raises matter of involved command relationships in Luzon. Cmdr advised to find out what facts he can while there.
28	G-3	27 Aug 44	C/S	Msg fr FERTIG re food drops by air - absence of any determination to tighten belts is disappointing.
29	G-3	28 Aug 44	C/S	Msg fr ROWE - Appointing JURADO C.O. 4th .D. would be absurd.
30	G-3	28 Aug 44	C/S	Suggested msg to ROWE and JURADO
31	G-3	29 Aug 44	C/S	Msg fr CABAIS discloses communication has been established with Dumarán Is. (northern Palawan)
32	G-3	29 Aug 44	C/S	Re party sent to Balabac - Msg re Corpus killing himself.
33	G-3	29 Aug 44	G-2	Msg fr FERTIG advising enemy has left Misamis Occidental.
34	G-3	26 Aug 44	Thru: C/S C/S	Msg fr KANGLEON - Re radio stations in Leyte.
35	G-3	2 Sept 44	C/S	Msg fr FERTIG discloses we are in contact with Primitivo San AGUSTIN
36	G-3	4 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs fr ANDREWS and PERALTA disclose info of interest in Manila.
37	G-3	5 Sept. 44	C/S	Fwding msg from Phil containing info which might be of interest.
38	G-3	5 Sept. 44	C/S	Msg. fr FERTIG disclosing movement of PsOW from Licanan Field Msg for C in C from Gov. CONFESOR

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39	G-3	7 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs. from FERTIG re bombing results in Davao.
40	G-3	9 Sept. 44	C/S	Report on Manila conditions by ANDREWS.
41	G-3	10 Sept. 44	D/S	Msg fr FERTIG, Significance in msg is in his readiness to take over SMITH's net.
42	G-3	11 Sept. 44	C/S	Msg fr Smith to Fertig re his critical position. — Recommend SMITH be promoted to Lt.Col.
43	G-3	12 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs. from FERTIG re bombing results in Mindanao area.
44	G-3	13 Sept. 44	C/S	Difficult to see how an additional P2,000,000 in old currency would remedy situation. PERALTA-CONFESOR.
45	G-3	13 Sept. 44	C/S	Msg. from FERTIG advising of rescue of 25 American PsOW.
46	G-3	13 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs. from FERTIG and Cushing re bombing in Phil.
47	G-3	14 Sept. 44	C/S	Msg fr YOUNG further re planes bearing stars on wings dropping bombs.
48	G-3	14 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs. fr Cushing, Abcede, Fertig Kangleon and Andrews re bombing.
49	G-3	16 Sept. 44	C/S	Msg fr FERTIG discloses 53 Am PsOW have been rescued out of 650.
50	G-3	16 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs fr FERTIG, ANDREWS, PERALTA, CUSHING, ABCEDE re bombing raids
51	G-3	17 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs. fr CUSHING, ABCEDE and FERTIG re bombing results.
52	G-3	18 Sept. 44	C/S	Msg fr FERTIG - report of Col. MANZANO reaction to bombing raids
53	G-3	18 Sept. 44	C/S	Msg fr FERTIG gives latest info on American PsOW survivors.
54	G-3	18 Sept 44	C/S	Msg fr KANGLEON demonstrates manner in which guerillas may be expected to work against retreating enemy forces.
55	G-3	19 Sept. 44	C/S	Msg fr Lapham transmits first intelligence report received direct fr BATAAN.
56	G-3	19 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs fr Fertig, Smith and Peralta re bombing results in Phil.
57	G-3	22 Sept. 44	C/S	Msgs fr CUSHING, KANGLEON FERTIG, PERALTA bombing results in Phil.

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58	G-3	29, Sept 44	C/S	Msg fr Peralta disclosing enemy has called up all released POW
59	G-3	28 Sept 44	AG, usaffe Thru: AG, GHQ	Copy of msg fr Smith reporting death of Lt. Padilla.
60	G-3	28 Sept 44	C/S	Msg from Andrews (Confesor to C in C. Suggest it be filed for further action.
61	G-3	28 Sept 44	AG, usAFFE Thru AG, GHQ	Msg fr FERTIG reporting death of Capt Fiegel.
62	G-3	29 Sept 44	C/S	Msg fr Peralta advising of institution of compulsory conscription.
63	G-3	30 Sept 44	C/S	Msg fr Fertig re low morale of <del>troops</del> enemy troops in Davao
64	G-3	1 Oct. 44	C/S	Suggested msg for Fertig re Collaborators who have collaborated with the enemy or who have failed to collaborate with him.
65?	G-3	2/10/44	C/S	<del>Advising supply mission to Bala / M.D. completed 10 Sept. / 7 evacuees were evacuated. / Complete evacuation of people below 1000.</del>
65	G-3	2 Oct. 44	C/S Thru: G-5	Msg from VOLKMAN reporting on results of our bombing of LaUnion. Reaction of civilian population.
66	G-3	3 October 44	C/S	Recommending a new command known as SAMAR AREA COMMAND be established with SMITH in command.
67	G-3	3 Octo 4	C/S	Msg fr ANDREWS re action to people of Manila to bombing of city.
68	G-3	4 Oct 44	C/S Thru: G-5	Suggested consideration be given to a call upon the enemy high command to remove his forces from the city in order that city may be saved from destruction.
69	<del>G-3</del>	<del>4 Oct 44</del>	<del>C/S</del>	<del>Sanville forces in Cebu are being set. Suggest prior to 4th Cebu forces be notified to increase the enemy. Cushing be advised to dispatch as much of his force to the coast of Luzon as 1st division.</del>
69	G-3	5 Oct 44	C/S	Reply to our msg to FERTIG directing development of maximum interior strength through unification of all elements against the enemy and restricting his action against collaborators.

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70	G-3	7 Oct 44	AG, USAFFE Thru: AG, GHQ	Msg fr VERTIG reporting additional still in LUZON.
71	G-3	7 Oct 44	AG, USAFFE Thru: AG, GHQ	Msg fr VERTIG advising two American escaped POW elected to remain on duty with him.
72	G-3	7 Oct 44	C/S	Msg fr VOLCKMANN advising of the presence of Mrs. Osmena and son in Baguio.
73	G-3	11 Oct 44	G-1	Fwding msg fr Smith for your consideration and appropriate action.
73 1/2	G-3	11 Oct 44	C/S	<i>copy upm Jap Cinc.</i>
74	G-3	11 Oct 44	C/S	Fwding msg fr Smith recommending the appointment of a Civil government in Samar.
75	G-3	13 Oct 44	C/S	Msgs 770 and 776 fr Peralta in re Dean Maximo Kalaw and family of President.
76	G-3	13 Oct 44	AG, USAFFE Thru: AG, GHQ	Report fr Volckmann listing Americans on active duty in Phil.
77	G-3	13 Oct 44	C/S	Msg fr Jurado on results of Manila bombing.
78	G-3	14 Oct 44	C/S	Recommend msg 69 from Inginiero be sent to Pres. Osmena.
79	G-3	15 Oct 44	C/S	Attention is invited to msg nr 1 from Cmdr. Parsons.
80	G-3	15 Oct 44	C/S	Msgs received from Leyte (Parsons, Rawalle, Kangleon during nite).
81	G-3	21 Oct 44	G-5	Fwding msg fr VERTIG for your info.
<del>82</del>	<del>G-3</del>	<del>23 Oct 44</del>	<del>G-2</del>	<del>Fwding documents from Philippines.</del>
<del>83</del>	<del>G-3</del>	<del>23 Oct 44</del>	<del>G-2</del>	<del>Fwding documents from Philippines.</del>
82	G-3	26 Dec 44	C/S	msg. fr. Capt. Miller



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