

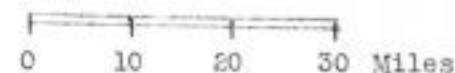


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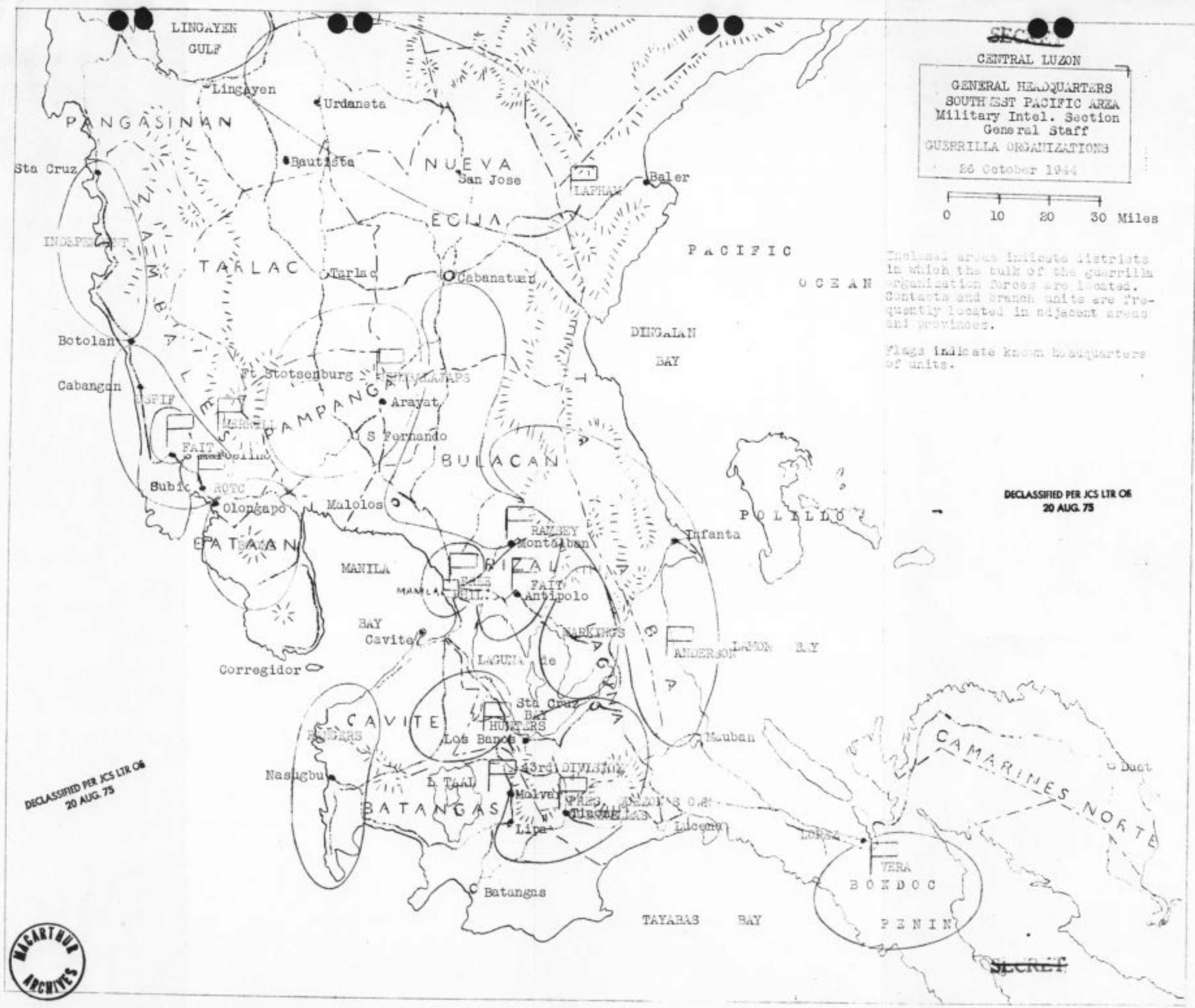


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2. Merrill, Hunters, POG are contacted only through Anderson.
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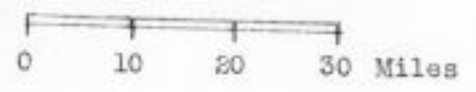




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VALDEZ, Col Alejo	Possibly with MARKINGS, though doubted by VILLAMOR.	
VALIENT, Col Eric B.	AG, FAIT.	
VELASQUEZ, Jose	HUNTERS representative to Pangasinan & all northern provinces.	11
VER, Miguel	Ex-PMA '42, CO HUNTERS.	10
VERA, "Gen." Gaudencia (VEYRA?)	Leader of guerrilla group, Bondoc Peninsula.	12
VILLA, Col	C/S, HUNTERS; of wealthy Manila family; known & liked Manila & Rizal.	
VOLCKMANN, Lt Col Russell	Guerrilla leader N Luzon	2
WICK, Helen	American attached with MARKINGS?	
YUSON, Restituto	Dr, University of Sto. Tomas, connected with F.P.	7

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ROCES, Rafael, Jr.	Manila business manager connected with F.P.	
ROGERS, Col Eadie	Former Secy to Adm. HART. Good intel agent for MARKINGS in Manila. Pro-American.	
ROSA, Alfonso de la	HUKBALAJAP Political Director in Manila.	4,5
ROSA, Col Armando de la	Contacted by Negros agents '43; connected with Lt NAVARRO; IG of MARKINGS.	
ROSA, Lope de la	Member of Military Committee, HUKBALAJAPS.	
SALVADOR, Col Teofilio Z.	Lt, PA, CE. Well known & liked in Cardona, Rizal. Leads active band 150 MARKING guerrillas. Pro-American.	
SAMBANG	1 of 5 controlling HUKBALAJAPS.	4
SAN AGUSTIN, Maj Antonio	PQOG officer, Batangas.	11
SAN AGUSTIN, Lt Primitivo	PQOG officer, Batangas, liaison to Mindanao.	
SANDICO, Maj	Bicol guerrilla leader.	8
SAN DOVAL Casiano	Dr, connected with F.P.	7
SAN JUAN; Col A.	MARKING Regt CO, Cardona, Rizal; pro-American.	
SAN JUAN, Francisco	G-2, HUNTERS.	11
SANTIAGO, Maj Juan	Leader of Anilao, associated with MARKINGS.	9
SANTILLA, Capt B. M.	Officer with WLGf.	
SANTOS, Capt Alejo	Guerrilla leader in Bulacan Prov.	6
SANTOS, Pedro Abad	HUKBALAJAP leader.	6
SENERES, Col Salvador	Educated, with FAIT; with MARKINGS after capture of STRAUGHN. Raises funds for MARKINGS.	
SHAEPFER, Lt John Paul	US mining engr; with VINSONS, Camarines Sur '42; with MARKINGS '42-44 then to ANDERSON. Now on Mindanao on special mission.	
SIA, Gualberto	Guerrilla leader Olongapo & Botolan, Zambales.	2
SILVER, Maj	Bataan veteran, pro-American with MARKINGS.	
SMITH, Lt Col C. M.	Guerrilla leader Samar	3
SORIANO, Col Onezimo	Educated, with FAIT; with MARKINGS after capture of STRAUGHN; raises funds for MARKINGS.	
STRAUGHN, Col Hugh	Leader of FAIT in Rizal; captured '43.	1,2,8,10,12
TANADA, Lorenzo	Attorney, connected with F.P.	7
TANYAG, Lt Col Bienvenido S.	Senior officer PQOG.	
TARUC, Luis	1 of 5 controlling HUKBALAJAPS	4
TAYAG, Maj Mermonigildo	Contact in Central Luzon for Pres. Quezon's Own Guerrillas.	12
THORP, Col Claude	Central Luzon guerrilla leader; captured '42.	1,2,5,6,10
TIMBAN, Emetrio	Chief of Management (Chief Supply Officer) of HUKBALAJAPS.	
TORRES, Lt Enrique	Sent from SWPA mid-44 with supplies for and to assist LAPHAM intelligence.	2
TUGGLE	US mining promoter; with MERRILL.	
UMALI, Lt Col Godofredo	Senior officer PQOG.	
UMALI, Maj Juanito	Senior officer PQOG.	
UMALI, Maj Mariana	Senior officer PQOG.	
UMALI, Vicente	Leader of Pres. Quezon's Own Guerrillas.	11,12
UNSON, Salvador	QM, HUNTERS.	

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MERRILL, Lt Col Gyles O-7402	American NE of San Marcellino, Zambales.	2,3,7,12
HILLER, Lt George	American, attached MARKINGS.	
MILLS, Ralph E.	28th Bomb Group, now with ANDERSON.	
MORGAN, L. C.	A.C. of S., G-2, RAMSEY organization.	4
MOSKAIRA, Col Roger	MARKING Guerrillas.	
NAGALAN, Dr. Demetrio	Medical Officer, HUNTERS.	
NAYLOR, Lt Charles Lawrence	FA, with THORP mid-42. Possibly near Baler mid-44.	
NEIGUM, Cpl Gotrieb	31st Inf, escaped PW; attached MARKINGS as Col until Apr '44, now with ANDERSON.	
NEPOMUCENO, Ricardo	Judge, connected with F.P.	7
NERA, Catalino	HUNTERS CO, Sto Tomas, Batangas Town.	11
NERI, Lt Loreto	Asst G-2, F.P.	
NICOLAS (alias Ellen)	Attorney; Socialist leader & political advisor in Bulacan.	
NOHANAN, Daud (Sp?)	Independent guerrilla leader, San Mateo, Laguna; well known and liked.	
NOVALES, Vicente	Junior officer, HUNTERS.	
OCAMPO, Bvt Lt Col Emanuel	HUNTER CO, Lumbang-Pallita Laguna area; former PA reserve; well known and liked.	11
ORTEGA, Col	Leader of McKINLEY Brigade, assoc- iated with MARKINGS.	9
PANLILLO, Yay	Woman, backbone of MARKING guerrillas.	9
PARPAN, Ernesto	Junior officer, HUNTERS; ROTC Phil School Arts.	
PAULINO, Juan	Attorney connected with F.P.	7
PENARANDA, Col Lucie	Ex-convict? Attached MARKINGS near Tenay, Rizal; not liked.	
PENGUIN, Col E.	Assumed name possibly used by Maj. Edwin P. RAMSEY.	
PERALTA, Col Macario	CO, 6th MD.	3,8,13
PEREZ, Ricardo	Leader of guerrilla group, "43rd Div" in Batangas.	13
PERING, Maj.	Leads MARKING band near Antipolo, Rizal. Pro-American.	
PETTITT, 2nd Lt Bert E.	US officer to Mindanao June '44, still there; belongs ANDERSON command.	
PIA, Tereso	C/S, HUNTERS.	11
POBLETE, Jose	Alias Maj Jose BANAL; HUKBALAJAP CO Pampanga.	
POLICARPIO, Maj	6th MD representative with HUNTERS.	
POLICARPIO, Silva	HUKBALAJAP Regimental Inspector Nueva Ecija & towns of N Bulacan.	10
POYATOS, Lt Juan	With MABUNGA, Pangasinan, cap- tured June '43.	
PRAEGER, Maj	Northern Luzon, captured '43.	3
RAMA, Capt Mario	PQOG officer, liaison with Mindanao.	
RAMIREZ, Col	Connected with HUNTERS.	10
RAMSEY, Bvt Maj Edwin P.	Guerrilla leader in E Central Luzon	1,3,5 6,7,12
REDOR, Col Ponciano	Leader of Fil-American Guerrillas, associated with MARKINGS.	12
REGALADO, Rufino	Chief Div of Investigation, HUK- BALAJAPS; formerly mayor of Calumpit.	
REYES, 1st Lt E. C.	Aide to RAMSEY.	
REYES, Francisco de los	Alias CIO-12	6
REYES, Jose B. L.	Attorney, connected with F.P.	8
ROBLES, Ramon	Alias; HUKBALAJAP CO, Bulacan town W of line Meycawayan to Balinag.	5

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HARDER, M/Sgt Benjamin	Member of PHILLIPS' party; with RAMSEY near Manila.	3
HASIM, Carlos	Alias; leader of HUKBALAJAP organization in Laguna (Nr 12) near San Antonio	5
HENDRICKSON, Pfc Albert S.	Sig C, LAPHAM guerrilla leader W Tarlac early '44. Assumed rank Capt.	2
HUA, Chai Chian	Vice CO Chinese Anti-Japanese guerrilla force.	7
HUNT, Sgt Ray C., Jr 6288064	21st Pursuit Sqn. Reported first '42, then in early '44 to be hiding W Tarlac. Assumed rank Capt.	
INGLES, Gustavo	Ex-PMA, adjutant of HUNTERS.	10
JAMMANDER, Lt Juan	In Pangasinan, captured June '43.	
JELLESON, Cpl	31st Inf, in LAPHAM command.	
JONES, Gen E. R.	Assumed name used by Maj Edwin P. RAMSEY.	
JONES, Capt Thomas S. O-336942, 26 Cav	Possibly MERRILL's adjutant.	3,7
JOSE, Pacifico	G-1, HUNTERS.	11
KADEL, Capt R. C. O-239912	Ordnance, with MERRILL, Zambales.	
KERLY, Lt	10th Sig Ser Co; in LAPHAM area mid-44	
LAPHAM, Capt Robert B. O-379114, Cav	Guerrilla leader in Pangasinan, Nueva Ecija.	1,2
LAPUS, Maj Ismael	Contact in Manila & vicinity for Pres. Quezon's Own Guerrillas.	12
LARA, Hilario	See LAVA, Francisco.	6
LASAT, Capt Faustino	Senior officer, PQOG.	
LAVA, Francisco	Said to have organized HUKBALAJAPS.	6
LAVA, Dr. Jesus	HUKBALAJAP Political Director, Bulacan Province.	6
LAYOG, Lt Col Basilio	Senior officer, PQOG.	
LEEDS, Maj	Hiding W Zambales early '44.	
LIM, General	-	8
LLANEZA, Lt E.	Manila, attached ECLGA.	
LUNA, Maj	Of wealthy Manila family; ex-PMA '42; HUNTER leader	
MABUNGA, Capt Pedro	Pangasinan guerrilla leader, captured June '43.	
MAGTANGOL, Col Terry	Alias; assumed name of leader of HUNTERS (See ADEVOSO, Eleuterio).	
MALAN, Jose	To LAPHAM from Australia in '44.	
MANGKON, Col Daud	Leader of Batanguenos, associated with MARKINGS.	9
MANZANO, Capt James H.	G-2 ANDERSON until Aug '44.	
MANZANO, Lt Col Narcisco	Connected with F.P.	7,8
MAPA, Col Jose	Leads group 125 MARKINGS in Rizal, Laguna; one of best MARKING combat leaders. Pro-American.	
MARCOS, Col Ferdinand E.	Leader of the Northerners (Maharlika).	12
MARKING	See Marcos Villa AGUSTIN.	
MATA, Col.	Leader in E Tayabas & Camarines.	6
MATA, Col.	Leader 150 MARKINGS at Cardona, Rizal. Ex-convict? Well known Laguna & Rizal and pro-American.	
McGUIRE, Capt Ralph	Guerrilla leader Zambales; killed by natives '43.	2
McKENZIE, Harry	US mining engr, Laguna; commissioned Lt by ANDERSON '42, not confirmed.	
MENDOZA, Col	Leads MARKING unit near Infanta, Tayabas; irresponsible and not liked.	

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CARREON, Father F.	Chaplain, HUNTERS	
CARSON, Maj Albert	American attached to MARKINGS.	5
CASTILLO, Amado del	In charge of mass organization of HUKBALAJAPS.	
CASTILLO, Mateo del	Highest commander of HUKBALAJAPS.	4,6
CHAVES, Capt Luis de	Senior officer PQOG.	
CHIEH, Huang	CO Chinese Anti-Japanese guerilla force.	7
CID, Cipriano	Exec O of Antonio FRANCISCO guerilla unit in Zambales & connected with F.P.	2,7
CIO-12	Alias; see Francisco de los REYES.	6
CLAUDIO, Anselmo	Manila business manager connected with F.P.	7
CONCEPCION, Norberto	Connected with F.P.	8
CRANE, Capt G. E.	24th FA, with MERRILL, Zambales.	
CRISOSTOMO, Maj Carlos	Leader of Highlanders, associated with MARKINGS.	9
CRUZ, Gabriel	Civilian liaison officer for HUNTERS.	
CURAN, Albert	Escaped PW, with ANDERSON.	
DALTON, Lt Col Primo	MARKING guerrillas.	
DANTE	Alias; HUKBALAJAP CO, Bulacan & Pampanga.	5
DAYRIT, Amado	Connected with F.P.	7
DAYANGDAYANG	Woman, leader of HUKBALAJAP fighting group in Pampanga; recently reported killed.	
ELLSWORTH, Col Elliot P.	Reported responsible for revival of the original FAIT.	8
ERNI, Maj Patricio	Leader of Texans, associated with MARKINGS.	9
ESQUIRA, Capt (Sp?)	G-3, RAMSEY organization.	4
ESTEBAL, Maj Inocencio Y.	Senior officer PQOG.	
ESTARES, Leon	CO HUKBALAJAP Sqn 25, Nueva Ecija	5
ESTRELLA, Justiniano	HUNTER CO, San Pedro, Tuason-Calauan, Laguna.	11
EUSTACIO, Vicente	HUNTER CO, Tiaong-Atimonan, Tayabas.	11
FABIA, Inocencio	G-4, HUNTERS.	10
FARRETTA, Lt Alvin	US mining engr from Baguio, with THORP '42, with HUKBALAJAPS, and then to ANDERSON. Went to Samar early '44 and returned to ANDERSON July '44.	
FILEO, Juan	CO HUKBALAJAPS armed forces	4
FERRER, Juanito	HUNTER CO, Pasey, Pateros-Muntinglupa, Rizal.	11
FERTIG, Wendell W.	CO, 10th MD.	3,8,12
FLORES, Jose	Member of L.O.D. organization, Manila.	12
FRANCISCO, Antonio	Guerrilla leader, Castillejos-San Marcellino, Zambales.	2
FREGINAL, Lt.	In LAPHAM area May '44.	
GALANG, Capt Recardo	Member of PHILLIPS' party; now with RAMSEY.	3
GARDNER, 2nd Lt W.J.	31st Inf, with MERRILL, Zambales.	
GO, Capt	CO, S Luzon Chinese Anti-Jap guerilla force.	7
GONZAGA, Anselmo	Attached Hq HUNTERS.	
GONZALES, Augusto	Advisor, HUNTERS.	10
GOZON, Remigio	Junior Officer, HUNTERS Hq, Rizal College '42.	
GUERRERO	Alias; see BORROMEO, Lt Col Emilio	
GUERRERO, Honorio	Jr officer, HUNTERS Hq ROTC at Jose Rizal College '42.	
GUZMAN, Jose de	Guerrilla leader in Pangasinan.	12

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ADEVOSO, Eleuterio (alias Col. Terry MAGTANGOL)	Exec O, HUNTERS; became CO in Aug 43.	10
ADRIANO, Lt Col	Possibly with MARKINGS.	
AGUSTIN, Marcos Villa	Leader of MARKING Guerrillas.	8
ALBA, Col G.	Was CO of HUNTER unit; killed Apr 44.	
ALEJANDRINO, Jose	Secretary, Military committee of HUKBALAJAPS.	4
ALORA, Col Pablo	Leader of Saboteurs, associated with MARKINGS.	9
ANDERSON, Maj Bernard	Guerrilla leader in Luzon.	1,2,3,5,6,7,9
O-360167, AC		11,12
AQUINO, Col	Leads band of MARKING guerrillas near Cardona, Rizal. Pro-American.	4
AQUINO, Bvt Capt Leonardo	HUNTER contact man, Subic, Zambales.	2
ARJONA, Lt Col Engracia	Senior officer PQOG.	
ARMSTRONG	With MERRILL, Zambales.	
ATWELL, James	Formerly with STRAUGHN; then C/S MARKINGS; now with ANDERSON.	
17019754, AC		
BAGALAY, Amado	HUNTER CO, Manila & Rizal.	11
BAHIA, Manuel	G-2, LAPHAM, Aug 44.	
BALL, Capt	Special mission, Baler, Tayabas.	2
BANAL, Maj Jose	CO HUKBALAJAP Regt Command Nr 1.	5
BARR, Maj Hubert E.	Ex-USN civilian employee, formerly with MARKINGS; now near Infanta, Tayabas.	
BARRARA, Jesus	Judge, Court First Instance, Manila, connected with F.P.	7
BARROS, Maj Russell	Agent for ANDERSON in Bicol.	6
BATAAN, Francisco	Alias for Anselmo GONZAGA.	
BATARA, Col. Ruperto	MARKING Guerrillas.	
BAUTISTA, Antonio	Attorney, connected with F.P.	7
BAUTISTA, Col. Atilona	Alias for Anselmo GONZAGA.	
BELLO, 2nd Lt Antonio	ECLGA liaison officer to 10th MD. To Mindanao Feb 44 & then return via Panay.	
BERNABE, Lt	In LAPHAM area May 44.	
BERNARDO, Col Severino	Alias for Anselmo GONZAGA	
BOONE, Capt John	Leader of Bataan guerrillas	3,12
BORROMEO, Lt Col Emilio (alias GUERRERO)	Connected with FAIT	8
BRANDON, Maj Anthony J.	Attached MARKING Hq.	
BROWN, Stephen	Ex-motorcycle police, Manila. Ordnance officer HUNTERS.	
BURNS, Cpl Robert	31st Inf, escaped PW with RAMSEY; now believed with ANDERSON.	
CABAL, Geronimo	Insp. Gen., HUNTERS.	
CABALHIN, Col Leon Z.	Leader of Oldtimers; reckless, courageous leader of MARKING group, Rizal-Laguna; well known.	9
CABANGBANG, Lt Bartolomeo	ANDERSON's G-2 in Bulacan	6
CABRERAS, Pacifico	Leader of group near Bolinag, Bulacan.	12
CAGNEY, Lt Col James	CO Laguna Unit, FAIT.	
CAGULE (CAPULE?)	Alias; HUKBALAJAP CO Nueva Ecija & towns of N Bulacan.	5
CALIZTO, Guillermo	Alias; see Geronimo CABAL.	
CALYER, Lt Col Peter D.	Exec O to Lt Col MERRILL.	3
O-17116, 26 Cav		
CARREN	See CURAN.	

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USAFFE (General term usually applying to any guerrilla unit.)	
USPIF Unit	2
West Central Luzon Guerrilla Force (WCLGA)	2

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Manila:

Guerrilla Organizations:
L.O.D.: Sabotage
Free Philippines Guerrillas
MARKING Guerrillas
Fil-American Irregular Troops
HUNTERS
Chinese Anti-Japanese Guerrillas

Cavite Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:
HUNTERS: Eastern Cavite
The Rangers
The Texans: West coast

Leading Personalities:

Eleuterio ADEVOSO (alias MAGTANGOL; HUNTERS)
Tereso PIA (HUNTERS)
Major Patricio ERNI (Texans)

Laguna Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:
ANDERSON Guerrillas
Free Philippines Guerrillas
MARKING Guerrillas
HUNTERS: SW Laguna
President QUEZON's Own Guerrillas: Los Banos to Sta Cruz and southward.

Leading Personalities:

Justiniano ESTRELLA (HUNTERS)
Major Inocencio Y. ESTEBAL (PQOG)
Lt. Col. Engracio ARJONA (PQOG)
Lt. Col. Bienvenido S. TANYAG (PQOG)
Major Juanito UMALI (PQOG)
Major Mariano UMALI (PQOG)
Lt. Col. Basilio LAYOG (PQOG)
Col. Jose MAPA (MARKINGS)

Batangas Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:
HUKBALAJAPS
Chinese Anti-Japanese Guerrillas
MARKING Guerrillas (Batanguenos)
HUNTERS
President QUEZON's Own Guerrillas: Central and E Batangas.
PERALTA Intelligence Group: Vicinity Tananan.

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Leading Personalities:

Captain GO (Chinese Anti-Japanese Guerrillas)
Col. Daud MANGKON (MARKING Guerrillas)
Lt. Col. Emanuel OCAMPO (HUNTERS)
Catalino NERA (HUNTERS)
Captain Faustino LASAT (PQOG)
Captain Ricardo PEREZ (PERALTA Intelligence Group)



Leading Personalities: (Cont'd)

Major Bernard ANDERSON
Vicente UMALI (PQOG)
Captain Luis de CHAVES (PQOG)
"General" Gaudencia VERA, south of Lopez.
Col. MENDOZA (MARKINGS)
Col. Ponciano REDOR (East Coast Defense)

Bataan Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:
Captain John BOONE

Pampanga Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:
JONES Guerrillas: Western Pampanga.
East Central Luzon Guerrillas: Eastern Pampanga.
HUKBALAJAPS: Headquarters Mt. Arayat.
MARKING Guerrillas
HUNTERS

Leading Personalities:

ALEJANDRINO (probably alias; HUKBALAJAPS)
SAMBANG (probably alias; HUKBALAJAPS)
Luis TAROC
Pedro Abad SANTOS
DAYANGDAYANG (probably alias; HUKBALAJAPS)

Bulacan Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:
ANDERSON Guerrillas: Headquarters Mt. Kalaoan.
ECLGA: Vicinity San Mateo.
HUKBALAJAPS
MARKING Guerrillas
HUNTERS: Vicinity Talavera.

Leading Personalities:

Capt. Alejo SANTOS (ANDERSON Guerrillas)
Lt. CABANGBANG (ANDERSON Guerrillas)

Rizal Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:
East Central Luzon Guerrillas: Vicinity Montalban.
HUKBALAJAPS
ANDERSON Guerrillas
Free Philippines Guerrillas
Fil-American Irregular Troops: SE Rizal.
MARKING Guerrillas: Antipolo and eastward.
HUNTERS
Chinese Anti-Japanese Guerrillas

Leading Personalities:

Lt. Edwin RAMSEY (ECLGA)
"General" Elliot ELLSWORTH (FAIT)
Amado BAGALAY (HUNTERS)
Juanito FERRER (HUNTERS)
Col. Marcos Villas AGUSTIN (MARKINGS)
Yay PANLILLO (MARKINGS)
Col. MATA (MARKINGS)
Col. VILLA (MARKINGS)
Col. AQUINO (MARKINGS)
Col. T. S. SALVADOR (MARKINGS)
Col. A. San JUAN (MARKINGS)
Maj. PERING (MARKINGS)
Col. L. PENERANDA (MARKINGS)
Col. Jose M/PA (MARKINGS)

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7. Batangas: Col. PERALTA has established a Luzon intelligence center near Tanauan, Batangas. Here are collected local guerrillas under a so-called 43rd Division, possibly under the command of a Ricardo PEREZ. The nature of the organization is not clear but its contacts are known to extend throughout Luzon. The unit is believed to have a radio.

III. SUMMARY OF GUERRILLA FORCES IN CENTRAL LUZON:

Pangasinan Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:

LAPHAM Guerrillas: N and E of Lingayen.

HUKBALAJAPS: S Pangasinan.

Miscellaneous small units near mountains of W Pangasinan.

Zambales Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:

West Central Luzon Guerrilla Force: S Zambales near Castillejos and San Marcellino.

USPIF: Olangapo to Botolan; connected with ANDERSON.

ROTC: Vicinity Subic; connected with HUNTERS in Cavite.

FAIT: Vicinity Cabangan; connected with FAIT, E of Manila.

MERRILL: NE of San Marcellino.

Leading Personalities:

Antonio FRANCISCO (WCLGF)

Cipriano CID (WCLGF)

Captain Thomas S. JONES (JONES Guerrillas)

Gualberto SIA (USPIF)

Captain Leonardo AQUINO (ROTC)

Lt. Col. Gyles MERRILL (MERRILL Command)

Lt. Col. Peter D. CALYER (MERRILL Command)

Tarlac Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:

East Central Luzon Guerrillas

HUKBALAJAPS

MARKING Guerrillas ?

LAPHAM: W Tarlac.

Leading Personalities:

Captain Albert S. HENDRICKSON (LAPHAM Guerrillas)

Nueva Ecija:

Guerrilla Organizations:

LAPHAM Guerrillas: N of San Jose.

East Central Luzon Guerrillas: Southern Nueva Ecija.

HUKBALAJAPS: SW Nueva Ecija.

MARKING Guerrillas ?

Leading Personalities:

Captain Robert B. LAPHAM (Near eastern border, near Baler, Tayabas)

Tayabas Province:

Guerrilla Organizations:

Fil-American Guerrillas

LAPHAM Guerrillas: Vicinity Bder and south.

ANDERSON Guerrillas: Between Mauban and Infanta.

President QUEZON's Own Guerrillas: Vicinity Tiaong.

VERA Guerrillas: Bondoc Peninsula.

MARKING Guerrillas: Infanta area.

East Coast Defense

Leading Personalities:

Captain Robert B. LAPHAM (vicinity Baler)

Captain Robert BALL (vicinity Baler)

Lt. Enrique TORRES (LAPHAM Guerrillas)

Ponciano REDOR (Fil-American Guerrillas)

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Major ANDERSON in Tayabas states that the President QUEZON's Own Guerrillas was founded under Col. STRAUGHN by Vicente UMALI in mid-1942. ANDERSON has had contact with the unit since August 1943 and believes the unit has a high potential value both for combat and intelligence purposes. The unit has been very cooperative with ANDERSON's agents in assisting in the collection of intelligence.

Contacts are:

The NORTHERNERS (MAHARLIKA) Col. Ferdinand E. MARCOS, Mountain and Ilocos Provinces.

The VISAYAS Details of this contact are not known. Some contact is maintained, possibly on Cebu.

Central Luzon Maj. Mermonigildo TAYAG.

Manila and vicinity Maj. Ismael LAPUS.

Miscellaneous Guerrillas in Central Luzon:

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1. Pangasinan: PERALTA agents from Luzon report that guerrillas are active in the towns of Umingan, San Nicolas, Asingan, San Quentin and Tiyng. The guerrillas are based in the cordilleras and come out on raids. Jose de GUZMAN is one of the leaders.

2. Bulacan: A Pacifico CABRERAS is reported to be leading 40 men near Bolinag, Bulacan. Loyalties or connections unknown.

3. Bataan: A Bvt. Captain John BOONE has organized five regiments in this province. BOONE was a corporal in the 31st Infantry. The members of the organization live at home and gather for training or raids whenever opportunity presents itself. Activity and training are limited by close Japanese policing and lack of equipment. Bands of the BOONE guerrillas are believed to have gone into Pampanga to aid in combatting the HUKBALAJAPS in that area. The organization may have some connection with RAMSEY in eastern central Luzon.

BOONE's headquarters are on Bataan, but he moves about continuously. He is married to a Filipina who lives in the southern Zambales area near Col. MERRILL. BOONE goes to MERRILL occasionally for advice.

4. Manila: There is a sabotage unit in Manila known as the L.O.D. The meaning of this is unknown. The organization has been supported by FERTIG on Mindanao and is believed to have done a certain amount of damage through fires and demolition. The only known member of the organization is Jose FLORES who has been to Mindanao several times.

5. Tayabas: The Fil-American Guerrillas are reported to be in the Infanta area under the command of Col. Ponciano REDOR. The group is apparently that previously reported as the East Coast Defense and was founded under the direction of Col. STRAUGHN. ANDERSON had contact with the group until December 1943 but has heard nothing since. In December 1943, REDOR states that his group was forced to join the MARKING Guerrillas to avoid bloodshed. Col. REDOR was apparently 1st Lieutenant, AUS.

6. Bondoc Peninsula: Guerrillas have been operating since mid-1942 on Bondoc Peninsula, Tayabas Province, under the direction of "General" Gaudencia VERA (de VEYRA?). This is a group of soldiers from the Batangas-Tayabas USAFFE forces and was moderately well equipped originally. Reports of the activities of the band have been received irregularly and little is actually known about its strength and organization. The group captured three towns from the Japanese on Bondoc Peninsula in March 1944. Headquarters is near Lopez, Tayabas.

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Chief of Staff	Tereso PIA, ROTC, Jose Rizal College.
G-1	Pacifico JOSE, ex-PMA, 1944.
G-2	Frisco San JUAN, ex-PMA, 1944.
G-4	Inocancio FABIA, civilian.

The field officers after reorganization were:

Commanding Officer, Manila and Rizal	Amado BAGALAY (Cpl, PC), escaped from Bataan.
Commanding Officer, Pasey, Pateros-Muntinglupa, Rizal	Juanito FERRER, ex-PMA, 1944.
Commanding Officer, San Pedro, Tuason-Calauan, Laguna	Justiniano ESTRELLA, ex-town councillor.
Commanding Officer, Lumbang-Pallita, Laguna	Bvt. Lt. Col. Emanuel OCAMPO, ROTC, FEU.
Commanding Officer, Tiaong-Atimonan, Tayabas	Vicente EUSTACIO, ex-ROTC, Jose Rizal College, 1942.
Commanding Officer, Sto Tomas, Batangas Town	Catalino NERA, PMTB.
Hq Representative to Pan-gasinan and all northern provinces	Jose VELASQUEZ, civilian.

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In January 1944, some of the officers of the FAIT in Rizal joined the HUNTERS. Arrangements were also made to fuse or cooperate with a Chinese guerrilla intelligence group in Manila. ANDERSON had contact with the HUNTERS for 13 months but was not able to reach a close agreement with them until August 1944. The HUNTERS were then provided a radio and radio contact has been regular with them since September. Reports were received recently via ANDERSON from the Zambales branch of the HUNTERS and via PERALTA from the Bulacan, Pampanga, Bataan and Batangas branches of the HUNTERS.

In mid-1944, HUNTER units at Talavera, Bulacan joined puppet BC units of the Bulacan area in fighting the HUKBALAJAPS. The HUKBALAJAPS had been attacking civilians in guerrilla held areas and generally disturbing the peace without interference from the Japanese. Earlier in 1944, the HUNTERS and units of the MARKINGS in Rizal were in open hostilities over a supposed shooting case. The feud lasted until April 1944 when ANDERSON intervened in the name of GHQ.

President QUEZON's Own Guerrillas: This unit operates in central Laguna, Batangas and western central Tayabas under the control of Vicente UMALI, former Mayor of Tiaong, Tayabas. The MARKING guerrillas claim the President QUEZON's Own Guerrillas as an affiliate, but this claim is believed false. Nothing was known of the President QUEZON's Own Guerrillas until late 1943 when Lt. Primitivo San AGUSTIN went to Mindanao to establish contact with SWPA. A radio was sent from Mindanao and contact has been maintained with the unit since June 1944. The roster of the unit indicates that there might be as many as 10,000 men in the organization divided into 11 Regiments. It is very likely that these persons are generally living at home and comprise the basis of development when equipment is available. Many of the members of the organization are Bataan veterans.



The HUNTERS: This group is also known as the ROTC and also TERRY'S HUNTERS, after Terry MAGTANGOL, the assumed name of the leader. The group claims that it was founded in January 1942 at San Juan del Monte, Rizal, by about 300 Philippine Military Academy and ROTC personnel who called themselves the "ROTC Lads." It was founded to protect civilians and to cooperate with USAFFE forces on Bataan. Until March 1942 the unit secured arms from civilians and USAFFE remnants, passed Japanese information to USAFFE and did propaganda work in the Manila area.

On 6 April 1942, when it became obvious that the USAFFE would not return from Bataan, the ROTC Lads went into the Antipolo Mountains southeast of Manila and adopted the name of the HUNTERS. They continued to collect arms from civilians and secured 130 Enfields in a raid on the Jap occupied Union College in Manila.

The staff at this time were:

Commanding Officer	Miguel VER, ex-PMA 1942
Executive	Eleuterio ADEVOSO (alias Col. Terry MAGTANGOL)
Adjutant	Gustavo INGLES, ex-PMA

While in the Antipolo Mountains April-July 1942, the unit cooperated with the MARKING Guerrillas in elimination of puppet spies and informers. They also operated a radio set but had to destroy it in June 1942 to prevent its capture. On 4 July, a Jap patrol raided the headquarters and killed Miguel VER. Some of the men became discouraged and left, but new members were recruited and the camp moved further into the Antipolo Mountains and later to Pugad Lawin, Laguna.

In September 1942, the unit affiliated itself with the "34th Division", under Col. RAMIREZ (headquarters in Manila; nothing further known). RAMIREZ was captured and his organization ceased functioning. The HUNTERS then began cooperation with the HUKBALAJAPS (probably the southern branch in Batangas) in October 1942. Negotiations were started to establish cooperation with the remnants of the THORP guerrillas in Pampanga, but were never consummated.

In December, the HUNTERS agreed to organize themselves with the 6th MD. This move broke when Major POLICARPIO, 6th MD representative with the HUNTERS, tried to take over the organization. POLICARPIO was returned to 6th MD in March 1943 but the group still maintained contact with the 6th MD. In July 1943, the HUNTERS agreed to come under the command of Col. Hugh STRAUGHN of FAIT, preserving the integrity of their organization but using supplies and intelligence facilities of FAIT. This agreement achieved unification of the south Luzon guerrillas at that time and Col. STRAUGHN had assumed the title of Supreme Commander of the South Central Luzon Guerrillas. STRAUGHN was captured late in July 1943 and the coordination ceased.

The HUNTERS unit survived the Japanese anti-guerrilla zoning campaign of August 1943 and recommenced negotiations for new unification of command of south Luzon guerrillas. Collaboration of the MARKING guerrillas was attempted in November 1943 but was not very successful. The HUNTERS in August 1943 had members in Rizal, Laguna, Tayabas, Batangas, Zambales, Bataan and Pangasinan under the name of HUNTERS HOME GUARD.

The unit was reorganized in November 1943 with the following staff officers:

Commanding Officer	Eleuterio L. ADEVOSO (alias Terry MAGTANGOL, ex-PMA, 1944)
Advisor	Agusto GONZALES, graduate Culver Military Academy during World War I, served with US Army for several years.

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The stronghold of this group is in the Sierra Madre Mountains in Rizal. The leader of the group is Marcos Villa AGUSTIN, but the backbone of the organization is a woman known as Yay PANLILLO. The identity of AGUSTIN is not known. Yay PANLILLO is a newspaper reporter and she is reported as both pro- and anti-American.

The group is reported by several sources to be unscrupulous in the procurement and character of its membership, and ruthless in its dealings. This seemed to be particularly true up to early 1944. Recent reports indicate that it is the largest and only effective guerrilla unit in Central Luzon. It claims a membership of 200,000 but this figure is queried by the source (considered fairly reliable) of the information. One source reports the arms total 5,000. Supplies have been sent to the organization by Major ANDERSON and letters were sent to SWPA via ANDERSON in August 1944. ANDERSON believes the only objective of the group is the elimination of the common enemy and has reported nothing unfavorable concerning their recent activities.

The headquarters, in Rizal, concerns itself with troops, propaganda, enemy dispositions, etc. Luzon is divided into three main areas which are semi-autonomous so far as operations are concerned:

First Army Corps	Rizal, Laguna, Batangas and Tayabas.
Second Army Corps	Manila, Bulacan and Cavite.
Third Army Corps	From Bulacan north, concentrated mainly in Tarlac and Pangasinan.

The MARKING guerrillas report the following groups to be associated:

The OLDTIMERS	Col. Leon Z. CABALHIN; Laguna-Rizal area. Unit has been attacking units of FAIT.
The BATANGUENOS	Col. Daud MANGKON, apparently located somewhere in Batangas.
The TEXANS	Maj. Patricio ERNI, famous ex-bandit. Spread between Cavite and Mindoro. One source reports this to be a group of 3,000 bandits.
The HIGHLANDERS	Maj. Carlos CRISOSTOMO, location unknown.
The SABOTEURS	Col. Pablo ALORA, location unknown.
The McKINLEY BRIGADE	Col. ORTEGA, location unknown.
The ANILAO	Maj. Juan SANTIAGO, location unknown.

Other groups reported to be associated with the MARKING Guerrillas; no data available:

GID	Up Again Regt	Lowlanders
Hawks	Joe's Boys	A2
Minute Men	Falcons	Tamaraos
Celestial Div.	Bulacan Mt Corps	Eden Kinds Reformed
Sta Fe Brig.	Lost Bn.	Scholars in the Field
Cobras	Santos Regt.	Gonzales Regt.
Dragons	Saint's Regt.	Ladies' Corps
Overseas Mtd	Old Tradition	QM Corps
Hot Spot Unit	Quezon's Unit	Mayon Volcano
Rincanadas	Tarlaquenos	Porch Club

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CONCEPCION, Norberto -

REYES, Jose B. L. Attorney; First Asst Solicitor General, Bureau of Justice.

ROCES, Rafael Jr. Manila business manager.

NERI, Lt. Loreto Asst G-2, F.P.

All are believed to have been members of the former Civil Liberties Union.

Representatives of the Free Philippines contacted PERALTA in June 1943 as possible channel for sending information from Luzon. Later reports indicate that the contacts were not impressed with Col. PERALTA's organization, and Col. MANZANO (a member of the Free Philippines) was sent to Mindanao in March 1944 to contact FERTIG for the same purpose. Col. MANZANO has since been assigned to Mindanao and little has been heard of the group since mid-1944.

A very recent report suggests that members of the Free Philippines group have been discovered and are now under arrest, but this report has not been confirmed.

Fil-American Irregular Troops (FAIT): This group was in the mountains near Antipolo, Rizal, under the leadership of Col. Hugh STRAUGHN, who was attempting to unify the command of the various central Luzon guerrillas. Subsequent information has proven that Col. STRAUGHN may have almost succeeded in his purpose. His contacts extended from the central Luzon area of Bulacan and Pampanga to the tip of the Bicol with Governor ESCUDERO and Major SANDICO. Almost all known organizations in central Luzon were at one time or another working with him. He is said to have been responsible for the founding of the MARKINGS in Rizal, the HUNTERS in Cavite, and QUEZON'S OWN GUERRILLAS in Laguna, Batangas and Tayabas. He assumed the title Supreme Commander of the South Central Luzon Guerrillas and was considered as such by the Japanese.

Apparently some rift developed between the powerful MARKINGS and the FAIT and Col. STRAUGHN was betrayed, some say by leaders of the MARKING guerrillas, in August 1943. The coordination which he had established was lost following his death.

A Col. Elliot P. ELLSWORTH is now reported to have assumed command and has been responsible for the revival of the original central guerrilla body. The identity of Col. ELLSWORTH is uncertain, one report stating he is actually General LIM. General LIM is also reported to have flatly denied any such association. ELLSWORTH is almost certainly a Filipino.

The activities of the group are limited mainly to intelligence and occasional sabotage in Manila and vicinity. A radio set was in operation in charge of Lt. Col. Emilio BORROMEIO (alias GUERRERO) and the unit was attempting to contact Australia. This was never effected and Col. BORROMEIO was last reported to be on Negros. BORROMEIO was also connected with the ENRIQUEZ guerrillas in Mountain Province. The MARKINGS claim that the FAIT has now officially amalgamated with them as of May 1944. Correspondence from the FAIT makes no mention that such a move was contemplated or has taken place. May reports from the Unit have recently been received through PERALTA on Panay.

MARKING Guerrillas: The MARKING Guerrillas were founded in April 1942 and now claim to have contacts throughout Central Luzon and into the Bicol. It appears to be one of the largest single organizations on Luzon. The MARKINGS claim that the Fil-American Irregular Troops near Manila disintegrated and in May 1944 united with the MARKINGS. According to this report the FAIT was founded as a subsidiary of the MARKING Guerrillas in October 1942. On the other hand, the FAIT seems to be still active. Probably a few men left the FAIT and joined the MARKINGS.

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Chinese Anti-Japanese Guerrilla Force: This organization is composed of Chinese in Bataan, Laguna, Tayabas, Tarlac, Nueva Ecija, Pampanga, Bulacan and Rizal with a branch in southern Luzon (Batangas). Its members belong mainly to pre-war Chinese organizations: Workers' Union, Dramatic Clubs, Chinese Cultural Association and the Salvation Association. Its main activities are anti-Japanese propaganda, distribution of news through periodical newspapers, organizing the Chinese in Central Luzon, some demonstrations and "trigger squads." Major ANDERSON has had contact with the unit since July 1942 and states that the organization is loyal to the United States, the Commonwealth of the Philippines and Chungking. Members of the units have often assisted personnel in ANDERSON's organization.

Known leaders of the organization:

CHIEH, Huang	Commanding Officer
HUA, Chai Chian	Vice Commanding Officer
GO, Captain	Commanding Officer S Luzon

The Free Philippines: This organization was formed in the last week of 1941 by a "group of young professionals" in Manila. It was originally a counter-propaganda unit and later furnished guides and funds to assist cut-off USAFFE soldiers to rejoin their units on Bataan. After surrender it became clear to the leaders of the group that a unified command of the guerrilla forces and a central collecting agency for intelligence were essential. The Free Philippines attempted to become a clearing house for intelligence and acted as a liaison office between the various groups. Information received was evaluated by Lt. Col. Narcisco ("Cis") MANZANO, formerly G-2 of the PA under General de JESUS before surrender. Contacts are known to have been maintained with the following guerrilla organizations or persons:

JONES-MERRILL in Zambales
 RAMSEY Unit in Central Luzon
 MARKING Guerrillas in Rizal
 HUNTER Unit in Cavite
 ANDERSON in Tayabas
 RANGERS in Batangas and Cavite.

Known members of the Free Philippines Group:

BAUTISTA, Antonio	Attorney; professor, College of Law, University of Manila.
CID, Cipriano	Attorney; Editorial Dept., Manila Daily Bulletin; now probably in Zambales with a guerrilla group near Subic.
TANADA, Lorenzo	Attorney.
BARRARA, Jesus	Judge, Court First Instance, Manila.
NEPOMUCENO, Ricardo	Judge; Commissioner, Securities & Exchange Commission.
DAYRIT, Amado	-
SANDOVAL, Casiano	Doctor
YUSON, Restituto	Doctor; Asst Professor, College of Medicine & Pharmacy, University of Sto. Tomas.
PAULINO, Juan	Attorney.
CLAUDIO, Anselmo	Manila business manager.

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Other leaders in addition to those already mentioned:

CASTILLO, Mateo del

Political Commissariat, highest commander of the HUKBALAJAPS. Former leader of the Communist Party of the Philippines.

SANTOS, Pedro Abad

Believed to be former head of the Socialist party, and brother of Jose Abad SANTOS, Chief Justice. Pedro is reported to be head of the United Front Party. Now possibly killed.

Francisco LAVA, formerly Professor of Law at the University of Manila (also reported as Hilario LARA, formerly Professor of Medicine at the University of the Philippines, is said to have organized the HUKBALAJAPS originally. His present whereabouts and activity are unknown. Dr. Jesus LAVA is political director of Bulacan. These may all be the same person.

ANDERSON Guerrillas: This unit is located mainly on the east coast of Tayabas between Mauban and Infanta and is under the control of Major Bernard ANDERSON, AC, O-360167, an American officer who escaped from Bataan. After surrender, ANDERSON joined guerrillas under Col. Claude THORP in Pampanga. Col. THORP was then attempting to unify guerrillas in the central Luzon area and sent RAMSEY and ANDERSON to arrange some working agreement with the HUKBALAJAPS. Nothing came of the conference and THORP sent ANDERSON and RAMSEY on to organize guerrillas in the eastern central Luzon area. RAMSEY quarrelled with ANDERSON and the two separated. ANDERSON went to Bulacan and then went to Tayabas early in 1943. He is liked by the Filipinos, is a hard worker and reliable.

It is believed that ANDERSON had a large unit in Tayabas until CIO-12, pro-Jap Filipino agent, obtained the roster of ANDERSON's organization. There was a wholesale purge late in 1943 and the unit has never recovered its original power and area of command. ANDERSON was reorganizing his unit when Visayan agents contacted him in mid 1944. He now has good radio contact with SWPA and has received several tons of supplies, equipment, money and intelligence personnel.

ANDERSON's contacts are not clearly known. He has maintained contact with the HUNTERS in Cavite since mid 1943. This contact has been strengthened by recent delivery of a radio to that unit. ANDERSON also has excellent contacts in Bulacan which seems to be the center for Manila intelligence. Captain Alejo SANTOS located near Mt. Kalaonan has organized the province and is well known there. The Bulacan unit claims a roster of 15,000 men poorly armed.

Lt. Bartolomeo CABANGBANG was sent from SWPA to assist ANDERSON in mid 1944. CABANGBANG is now ANDERSON's G-2 and is located in Bulacan with radio. CABANGBANG has sent parties to Rizal, Cavite and the Bicol and is known to have established observer posts at Pozorrubio, Pangasinan, and in the Pandacan RR Station in Manila.

Contact has been maintained with Major BARROS now in the central Bicol region. ANDERSON has sent him a radio and supplies are to be delivered. BARROS probably has not much of an organization but appears to have a wide variety of contacts and is acting as agent for ANDERSON. Some contact is also maintained by ANDERSON with a Colonel MATA and his organization in eastern Tayabas and Camarines. MATA is claimed by the MARKINGS as a member of their organization.

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Juan FELIPE, former head of the Communist Party of the Philippines; and mass, under Armando del CASTILLO, brother of Mateo.

Central Luzon has been divided into Regional Commands, which are in turn believed to be divided into squadron areas and may have individual political, military and mass sections. Known regions and COs:

Reg. Command Nr. 1: Pampanga CO: Major Jose BANAL (alias Jose POBLETE).

Reg. Command Nr. 7: Bulacan CO: Ramon ROBLES (alias) west of line Maycawayan-Balinog.

Reg. Command Nr. 8: Northern Bulacan, Nueva Ecija. CO: CAPULE (alias)

Reg. Command Nr. 11: Batangas (southern Luzon)

Reg. Command Nr. 12: Laguna CO: Carlos HASIM (alias)

Squadron Nr. 25: Nueva Ecija CO: Leon ESTARES

Squadron Nr. 48: Manila (Chinese) CO: Alfonso de la ROSA

Squadron Nr. 77: Boundary Bulacan-Pampanga CO: DANTE (alias)

The organization was first reported in mid 1942 when ANDERSON and RAMSEY, now eastern Luzon guerrilla leaders, went to their HUKBALAJAP headquarters in the Mount Arayat area, Pampanga, to attempt to bring the organization under the command of Col. Claude THORP. They were unsuccessful. Various other guerrilla organizations have attempted to secure their cooperation, all unsuccessfully or without satisfaction. Recently some local units have been seeking to associate themselves with loyal guerrillas to obtain semblance of authority.

The earlier activities of the HUKBALAJAPS were strongly anti-Japanese and they did disorganize the flow of enemy supplies to Manila from the central Luzon area. Recently they have been capturing or betraying Americans, pro-Americans, hacenderos and persons identified with a pro-Commonwealth or American guerrilla movement. They have been attacking guerrilla units and the BC, who have been fighting with the guerrillas to protect the civilians. Food and supplies are secured by looting and commandeering, especially from families connected with guerrilla movements. The Japanese have made no attempt to curb their activities. The HUKBALAJAPS are establishing schools to teach communism, academies to train soldiers and civil government in areas under their control. In a few instances they have raided Jap communications.

Reports suggest that the Japanese are secretly arming the HUKBALAJAPS. Although the Japanese are aware of the anti-Japanese intentions of the organization, the Japanese probably consider support of the HUKBALAJAPS worthwhile as a means of combatting the guerrillas and the BCs who have remained loyal to the Commonwealth and the US. It is possible that the Japs are supporting the HUKBALAJAPS in the hope of causing confusion in the post war period. It is believed that the HUKBALAJAPS will offer no organized resistance to US forces after occupation due to lack of arms and training, and loyalties of the mass members.

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but easy going and very sociable; gets along well with the Filipinos. Resembles an Englishman in character and appearance. Goes often by assumed name General E. R. JONES and possibly Colonel E. PENGUIN.

MORGAN, L. C. Believed to be A. C. of S., G-2 of the organization.

ESQUIRA, Capt. (Sp?) Philippine Army, mobilization officer for Mindoro before the war. Now G-3 of the organization.

GALANG, Capt. Ricardo American Filipino, went to PI from SWPA in late 1943 as second in command of PHILLIP'S party on Mindoro. Went to Luzon with RAMSEY in early 1944 and now with him near Manila.

HARDER, M/Sgt Benjamin American with PHILLIP'S party. Went to Luzon with RAMSEY in 1944 and is now with him near Manila.

HUKBALAJAPS: The work HUKBALAJAP is made up of the initial syllables of the Tagalog words of the title of the organization, "Hukbong Bayan Laban sa Japon", meaning literally "The Peoples' Army to Fight the Japs."

The organization appears to be openly communistic, and is reported to be the military phase of the United Front party, a coalition of members of pre-war PI communist and socialist groups and probably members of the pre-war SAKDALISTAS, an agrarian Fascist movement. The ambitions of the leaders are personal and political and aim to: propagate communism in the Philippines; establish a communistic government in the Philippines when peace comes; fight and not to surrender or cooperate with U.S. forces when peace comes. The HUKBALAJAPS operate in central Luzon and claim a membership of 100,000. Other reports state that there are 2/5,000 armed fighting men. It is believed most of the ordinary members are pro-American and only the leaders violent and anti-American.

The HUKBALAJAPS are governed by a military commission of five members. This commission is apparently only a coordinating and long range policy body. It has little control over the branches and seems to leave the type of activity to the discretion of the regional commanders. Known members of the committee are:

- ALEJANDRINO, Jose Former mayor of Mexico, Pampanga. Secretary to the HUKBALAJAPS.
- SAMBANG Reported 1943 and 1944. Nothing further known.
- TARUC, Luis Reported early 1944. Nothing further known.
- ROSA, Lope de la Former member of the Communist Committee in the Philippines.
- AQUINO Former mayor of Magalang, Pampanga.

These names may all be aliases. Juan FILEO, CO of the HUKBALAJAP fighting units, is also reported to be a member of the committee, possibly one of the above aliases.

The organization is divided into three sections throughout: political, the most important, under Mateo del CASTILLO; military, under

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several units with the main body remaining east of Manila. A branch of this organization still exists in the vicinity of Cabangan with about 400 poorly armed men as of September 1944.

MERRILL-JONES-CALYER: The status of these former officers of the 26th Cavalry with respect to guerrilla activity is obscure. They and several other American officers have gathered in the mountains northeast of San Marcelino. Insufficient data is on hand to connect them positively with any guerrilla organization. It is known that they have not engaged in guerrilla activity during 1944. In September 1944, Lt. Col. Peter D. CALYER, O-17116, ex-26th Cavalry, contacted ANDERSON with the idea of unifying central Luzon guerrilla forces under MERRILL. That mission implies some semblance of control on MERRILL's part over guerrilla forces. MERRILL's hideout is reported to be almost inaccessible, and he rarely sees outsiders. ANDERSON has not been able to establish contact with him. MERRILL probably acts in an advisory capacity to some local guerrilla commanders.

Lt. Col. Gyles MERRILL, O-7402, and Capt. Thomas S. JONES, O-336942, are both of the 26th Cavalry, and have been free on Luzon since 1942. CALYER signs himself as Executive Officer to Lt. Col. MERRILL. JONES was with Major PRAEGER in northern Luzon late in 1942. He is probably MERRILL's adjutant.

East Central Luzon Guerrillas (ECLGA): (Major RAMSEY) This unit is part of the former THORP Central Luzon Guerrilla Force. The leader, Bvt. Major (pre-war 1st Lt.) Edwin P. RAMSEY, O-368746, was sent by Col. THORP to eastern central Luzon with Major ANDERSON late in 1942 to organize and contact guerrillas in that area. ANDERSON and RAMSEY quarrelled over inheritance of the command after the capture of THORP by the Japanese in October 1942. ANDERSON went to Bulacan and then TAYABAS. RAMSEY now has headquarters in Montalban, Rizal, controls guerrillas in the 1st and 2nd Military Districts, the Manila portion of the 4th Military District, and possibly includes an organization on Bataan under Bvt. Capt. John BOONE.

RAMSEY reports his organization is about 45,000 strong with 7,000 arms. The majority of the members are civilians who live at home. Training is limited by close Japanese observation of subversive activity and by lack of equipment. The main mission of the unit is fighting the communistic HUKBALAJAPS in Central Luzon. The RAMSEY organization appears to be fairly stable, but is loosely controlled due to lack of communications and arms.

RAMSEY's outside contacts have been numerous, beginning with PERALTA on Panay in early 1943. This contact proved unsatisfactory and RAMSEY broke off arrangements. RAMSEY men have since contacted all Visayan and Mindanao guerrillas who have sent agents to Luzon. PERALTA, FERTIG and SMITH have sent some supplies to RAMSEY and forwarded his intelligence reports to GHQ. In early 1944, RAMSEY went to Mindoro to contact PHILLIPS but arrived after the Japanese had dispersed that party. He returned to Luzon with GALANG and HARDER, members of the PHILLIPS party.

RAMSEY has had complete freedom of movement throughout central Luzon, and as late as December 1943, was known to have been in Manila. He carries Swiss papers furnished him by a Swiss by name of WEISMAN (spelling questionable) who lives near Manila. A radio belonging to ANDREWS on Negros was sent to Luzon early in 1944. This radio was eventually placed in RAMSEY's headquarters in Montalban, Rizal, and now is in regular contact with Negros.

Known personnel of the organization:

RAMSEY, Bvt Maj. Edwin P. O-368746, 26th Cav.	CO of the organization. American reserve officer called to duty in 1940; went to the Philippines in 1941. Is believed very reliable
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II. CENTRAL LUZON GUERRILLA ORGANIZATIONS:

LAPHAM Guerrillas: (North Central Luzon Sector) These forces are located in Nueva Ecija and Pangasinan north of a line drawn from San Jose, Nueva Ecija, to Lingayen, and are under the command of Captain Robert B. LAPHAM, O-379114, formerly 26th Cavalry.

VOLCKMANN in northern Luzon claims that these guerrillas are a part of his organization, but that due to distance from his headquarters and lack of radios, contact is not satisfactory. Captain LAPHAM went to Baler, Tayabas, in May 1944 and met Captain BALL (intelligence agent sent from Samar by SMITH). BALL gave LAPHAM a radio and LAPHAM is now located to the west of Baler not far from BALL. He claims his organization is independent of VOLCKMANN. This is probably true as VOLCKMANN has several times requested that his control over the LAPHAM organization be officially recognized. LAPHAM claims that he has been working in the 2nd Military District with ANDERSON since November 1943.

Both ANDERSON and LAPHAM had been sector commanders in the Central Luzon Guerrilla Command of Col. Claude THORP in 1942, LAPHAM in command of the North Central Luzon Sector and ANDERSON part of the East Central Luzon Sector. LAPHAM has continued in command of his original area and from his intelligence reports, apparently has his intelligence agencies well under control. A subsidiary unit is located in western Tarlac under Captain Albert S. HENDRICKSON. No data is available on strength or equipment of the organization.

Lt. Enrique TORRES was sent in August 1944 from SWPA to assist LAPHAM particularly on intelligence matters. TORRES reports the LAPHAM organization seems to consider his presence an unwanted intrusion.

Zambales Province Guerrillas:

West Central Luzon Guerrilla Force: The first organized guerrilla resistance in the province started in May 1942 under Captain Ralph McGUIRE, 26th Cavalry. His command controlled the western sector of Col. THORP's Central Luzon Guerrilla Force in Pampanga. McGUIRE carried on as local commander after THORP was captured in October 1942, but at the end of 1942 or early 1943, McGUIRE died.

Japanese pressure increased about that time; many of the men surrendered and the organization disbanded. One group became the USPIF unit in the Botolan-Olangapo area. The other remnants of about 1,000 men remained active around Castillejos and San Marcellino under the command of Antonio FRANCISCO. They are poorly armed and have recently been reported to have some connection with MERRILL to the northeast of San Marcellino. The Executive Officer of this unit is reported to be Cipriano CID. CID has probably had some connection with the FREE PHILIPPINES group in Manila.

USPIF: In early 1943, Gualberto SIA organized a guerrilla group between Olongapo and Botolan, Zambales, from remnants of McGUIRE's force. He attached his group to ANDERSON's command (in Tayabas) early in 1944 and adopted the designation USPIF from ANDERSON. He is reported to have some 6,000 men. North from Botolan to Santa Cruz is a group of 4,000 men possibly connected with the USPIF command. SIA seems to be willing to subordinate this organization to MERRILL should the latter be appointed Zambales commander.

HUNTERS: The HUNTERS (ROTC Jr) guerrilla unit in Cavite sent Bvt. Captain Leonardo AQUINO to Bataan and Zambales late in 1943 to develop intelligence contacts there. He organized a unit of about 400 poorly armed men located near Subic. This unit is still active as a branch of the Cavite HUNTERS.

FAIT: After the capture of Col. Hugh STRAUGHN, leader of the FIL-AMERICAN IRREGULAR TROOPS, in September 1943, his command broke into



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I. GENERAL HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

Following the disorganization of USAFFE during the rapid Japanese advance and the USAFFE retreat into Bataan, many units and remnants of units became isolated from their commands. These units and remnants became the nuclei of guerrilla organizations that formed almost immediately. Prior to USAFFE surrender in May 1942, these guerrilla units harassed enemy garrisons and contained substantial enemy forces. Dwindling supplies and Japanese policing which became more thorough as occupation developed, decreased guerrilla activity. The surrender of USAFFE accelerated the surrender of guerrilla units and dispersed the remainder. Most of the dispersed units did not give up but formed underground groups, many of which have lived on and are still active.

The earliest and most comprehensive of the early commands was that of Col. Claude THORP, with headquarters in the Mount Pinatubo area in Pampanga. He controlled a large part of central Luzon guerrilla forces until he was captured in October 1942. The northern remnants of THORP's group are now under LAPHAM; the western group in Zambales has split into several localized commands, and the eastern group is divided between ANDERSON and RAMSEY. Since the capture of THORP and the senior leaders, no one has been able to unify the command. Difficulties in communication and supply, the presence of pro-Jap civilian spies, and increased patrol activity of the enemy are factors which have so far prevented consolidation of the various commands.

Another large command existed as late as mid-1943 in east central Luzon under Col. Hugh STRAUGHN. His headquarters was in Rizal, east of Manila. Under his leadership, organizations were formed in the Bulacan-Rizal-Manila area, Batangas, Tayabas and in the Bicol provinces. Col. STRAUGHN's unit was the last large coordinated command of any consequence in Luzon. He was captured in August 1943. Remnants of his unit are the FIL-AMERICAN IRREGULAR TROOPS (FAIT) operating east of Manila, the HUNTERS (ROTC) in Cavite and the PRESIDENT QUEZON'S OWN GUERRILLAS (PQOG) operating in Batangas.

Central Luzon now presents a picture of a number of organizations with considerable overlapping in both area and personnel. By far the largest unit in point of view of numbers is the MARKING group. The main operating area of this unit is located east of Manila, but affiliated organizations extend throughout central Luzon. If we may believe the reports of the MARKING's, RAMSEY and the PRESIDENT QUEZON'S OWN GUERRILLAS, there are at least 300,000 guerrillas in the central Luzon area. This number of names may be on the rolls. It is, however, certain that most of this number live at home and are only nominal supporters of the guerrilla movement.

The history of guerrillas in other areas has shown that the civil populace is organized to assist active guerrilla units through planting and harvesting of food crops, moving supplies, and acting as messengers and intelligence agents. The organizations now in Luzon are familiar with the pre-war Military District organization and are attempting to conform to those pre-war boundaries. No coordinated military district commands exist today; recent arrivals of SWPA personnel will undoubtedly clarify the present situation, and promote more harmonious relationships between the various guerrilla units.

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