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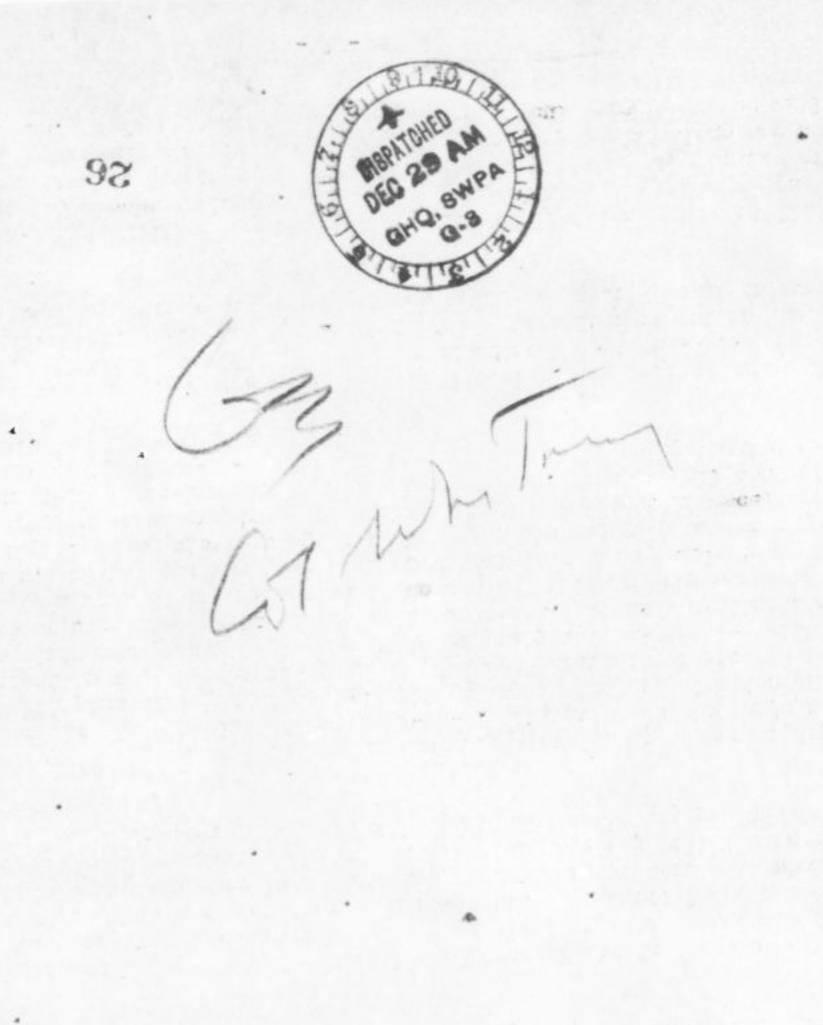
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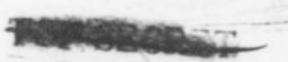
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File No.:

Subject:

From: Major Lee A. Telesco

To: General Wm. E. Chambers

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Date: 23 October 1944

- 1. In reference to attached memorandum, the following information is submitted:
- a. Demolition Parties were dispatched to VOLCKMAN, LAPHAM and ANDERSON with the following equipment equally distributed to each. (Incl 1)
  - b. Demolition Parties located. (Incl 2)
- 2. The plan in setting up these parties was to organize teams of saboteurs to send into the several areas with well balanced demolitions to there organize and train further local teams to assist the Area Commander in sabotage activities.
- 3. Copies of BUICK and FORD Plans as forwarded this Headquarters by Major Anderson are attached for information. (Incl 3)

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Incl 1. List of Demolition Equipment

Incl 2. Map showing location of parties

Incl 3. Copies of BUICK and FORD Plans

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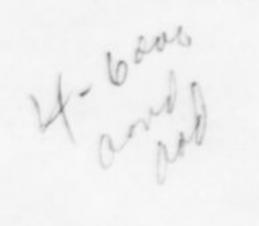
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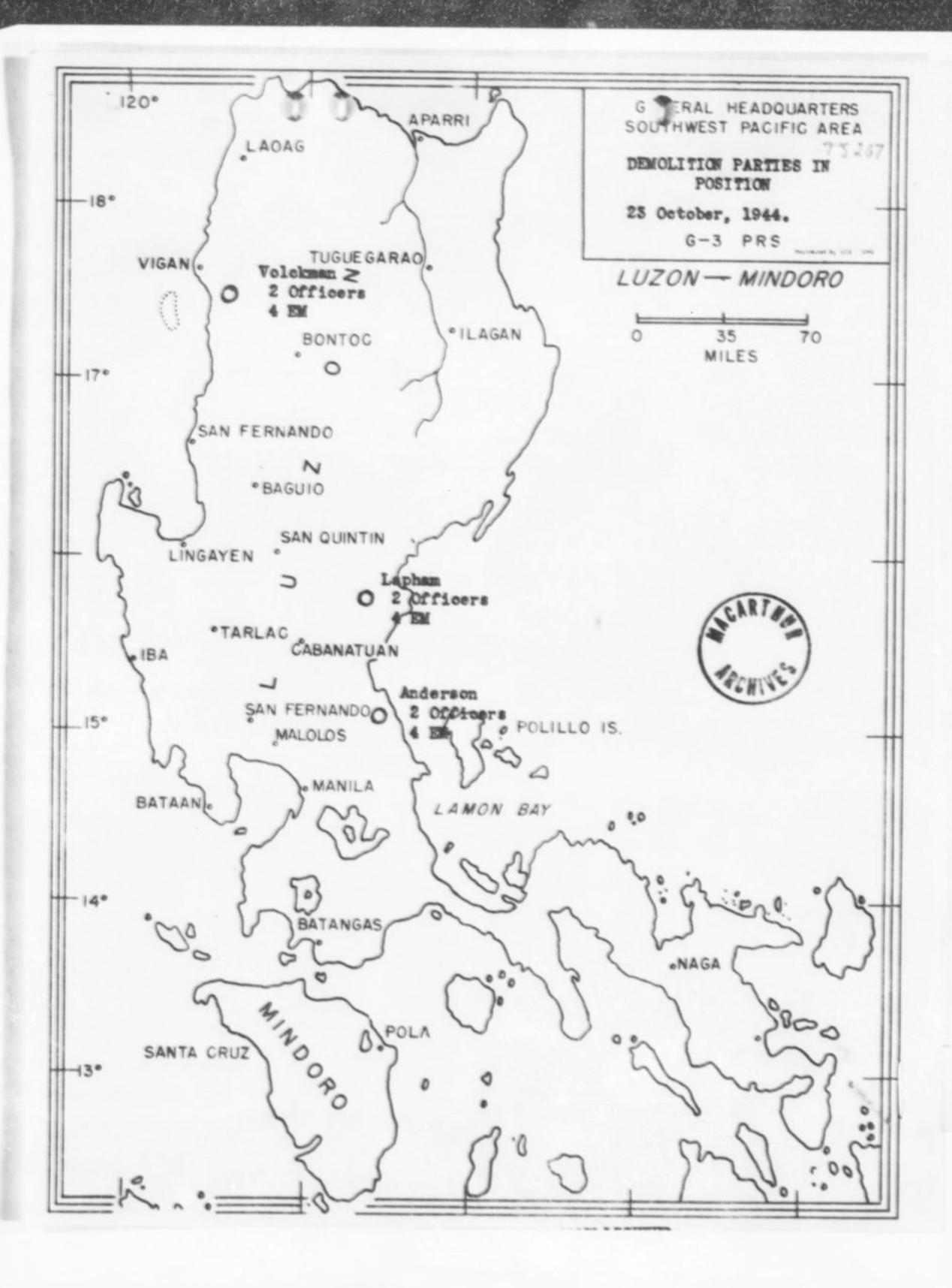
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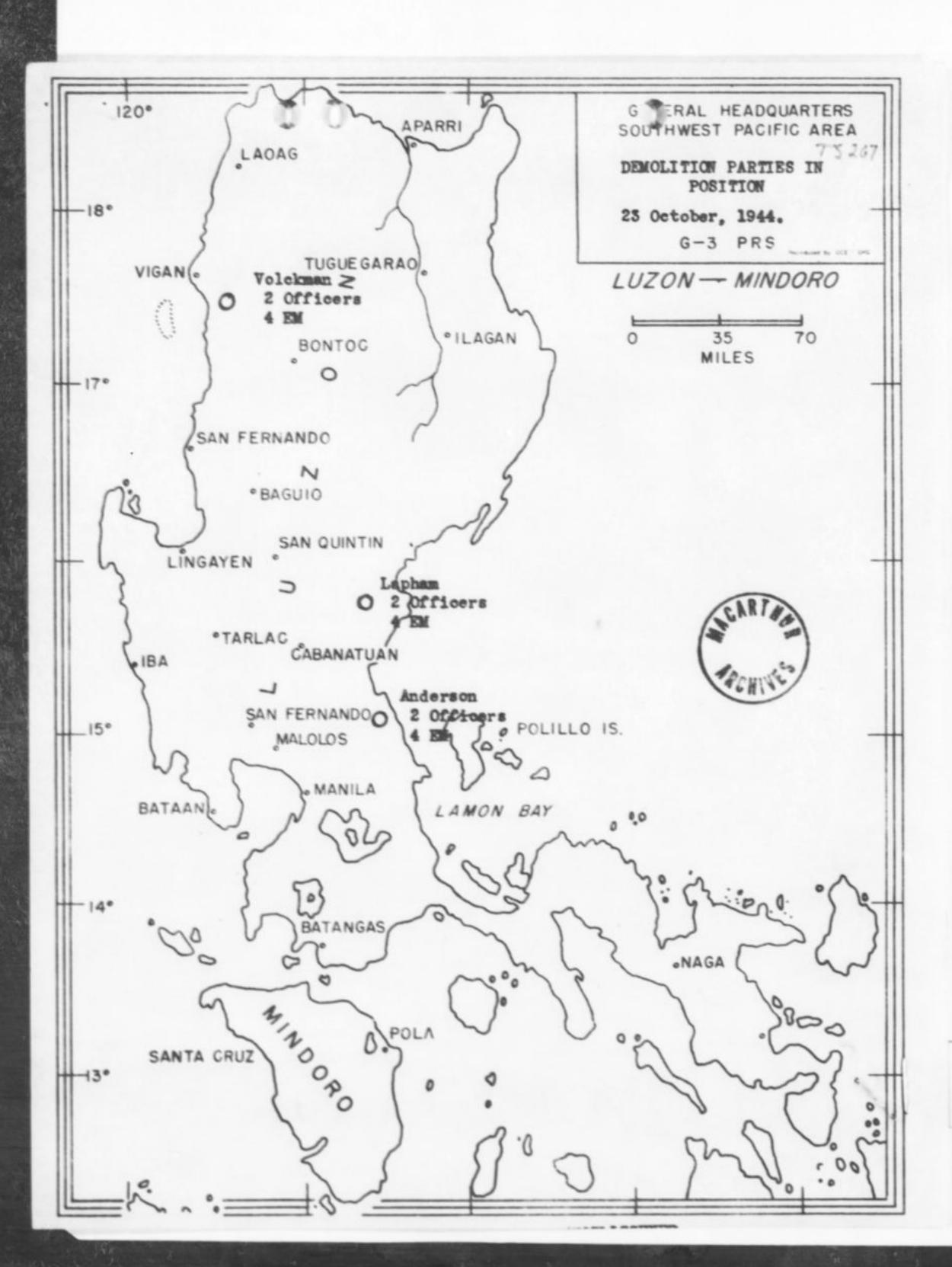
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# UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLAND FORCES Headquarters Kalayaan Command

File: AA

29 August, 1944

Subject: Offensive Plans

To Commander in Chief,
Allied Forces in the Southwest
Pacific Area

1. Inclosed herewith are the plans this headquarters has been working on with a view to assisting the incoming forces.

2. It is requested that your desires regarding same and other actions that this Command is to take be furnished as early as practicable.

/s/ Bernard L. Anderson Major, U. S. Army, Commanding.

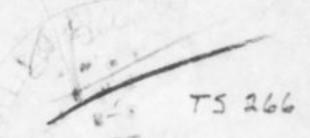
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21 October 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Planning and Operations Sections.

G-2 informs me that the Japanese apparently have taken a disposition in LUZON which may be very favorable to our main attack in LINGAYEN if properly taken advantage of.

deployed in the BICOL PENINSULA, a force of approximately a division seach in the CAGAYAN VALLEY, and a force of unknown strength along the northwest coast between The VIGAN and LAOAG.

If these forces can be held in position during our Central LUZON campaign, it is probable that the Japanese will be unable to find adequate forces to oppose our drive to the South.

These forces might be held in place by one of several methods:

- a. A minor landing at one or more of these places.
- b. Deception mimed at one or more of these places.
- e. Demolition by air to destroy communications at some favorable spot between the point of their concentration and Central LUZON.
- d. Same as c above by the employment of guerilla forces in explosives.

It is desired that the Planning Section make an immediate study (informally) to suggest what might be done along these lines. Particularly, it is desired that a thorough map study be made to determine where the air force may place the weight of its effort in heavy bombing to break communications between the outlying forces and Central LUZON, and the point where guerilla explosives could assist in this same objective. In the latter, it is desired that the Planning Section work closely with the Operations Section so that any conclusions reached can be put into effect by the Philippine Section supplying the necessary explosives and alerting the LUZON guerillas to activate a plan.

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# UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLAND FORCES 75 265 Headquarters Kalayaan Command

Subject: Supplies and Equipment.

30 September, 1944

To

: Captain Russell D. Barros, U. S. A.

- 1. GHQ SWPA has indicated their intentions of delivering supplies and equipment direct to you. In the event you can be prepared to receive same, the first shipment of about ten tons will arrive about
  - 2. Submarine contact points suggested by SWPA are as follows:
    - a. Vicinity of LAMIT ISLAND. b. Vicinity of San Miguel Bay.
    - c. Vicinity of Catanduanes Islands.
- 3. Sontact site must be on coast sheltered from Northeast winds with clear approach, no reefs, channels or sandbars, and water must be deep just off shore to permit vessel coming in close.
- You are to furnish boats for unloading and necessary men to handle supplies after they are landed.
- 5. Recommend you send recos to investigate suggest landing points and notify the undersigned of results as soon as possible. In the event information available indicates same is practicable, take the radio I am sending with this shipment and go to the vicinity of the suggested contact points and then establish communications with this ho.
- 6. Your recommendations regarding other possible contact points ere desired, however, it is believed that the general vicinity of the points suggested in paragraph 2, above, should proove satisfactory and that higher headquarters will readily accept a contact point in this



BERNARD L. ANDERSON. Major, U. S. Army, Commanding.



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# UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLAND FORCES Headquarters Kaleyaan Command

28 August, 1944.

#### THE BUICK PLAN

#### SECTION I - East Coast

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- 1. Plans are made and are being perfected to assist the incoming forces by establishing beachheads and/or assisting with the establishing of beachheads in the following places on the East Coast:
  - a. Baler
  - b. Dingalan Bay
  - c. Infanta Tignuan
  - d. Mauban
  - e. Atimonan



- 2. With the units now organized, it is believed that the cutting of the roads and trails, the only communication lines to these points, can be accomplished.
- 3. In addition, it will be possible to engage and harass the enemy from the rear.
- 4. Large numbers of men and sufficient equipment can be secretly landed and moved into positions with little difficulty in as far as conditions here permit.

#### SECTION II - Bicols

1. It is believed that with the organization or consolidation of the loyal forces in the Bicol Provinces, action of the nature mentioned in Section I, above, will greatly assist the incoming forces.

#### SECTION III - Bondoe Peninsula

1. The cutting of the roads to Unisan and Pitogo in Bondoc Peninsula can be undertaken by units now with this Command.

### SECTION IV - Batangas

l. Units now organised in Batangas are making recos and plans for establishing and/or assisting with the establishing of beachheads. Their plans are expected to arrive this headquarters in the near future and same will be checked and forwarded.

#### SECTION V Zambales - Bataan

1. Details on plans in this area, including points where supplies, equipment and personnel can be landed will be furnished as soon as radio communications are operating from the area. Same will be established soon after the arrival of necessary equipment.

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### SECTION VI - Manila and Vicinity

- 1. Personnel, supplies and equipment can be secretly landed on the East coast and moved to within short distances of their objective.
- 2. Recos have been made and guides and other personnel are now available at this headquarters for missions of the nature mentioned above.
- 3. Muny units in this vicinity are awaiting for orders to harass the enemy.

/s/ Bernard L. Anderson BERNARD L. ANDERSON Major, U. S. Army, Commanding.



Fortocoats COFY UNITED STATES PHILIPPINE ISLAND FORCES Headquarters Kalayaun Command 28 August 1944. Oppendy o THE FORD PLAN SECTION I - Reilroad 1. It is believed possible to completely deny the use of all railroads in Luson, to the enemy, at any time orders are received to accomplish same. a. Many of the Filipino employees on the railroad are secretly organised and are waiting for orders to accomplish their assigned mission. (1) Several of the engineers claim that they can derail their trains, in such a manner, that it will take from one to weeks to get the line back in operation with the limited facilities now available. (2) Switchman, yardmen, brakamen and dispatchers feel that they can disable many of main limes and put the main yards in such a state of confusion that the enemy will not be able to utilize the trains. (3) Time bombs can be planted in the few remaining engines and render same completely useless. (4) Many of the station masters are organized so that they will leave switches open and if directed to do so can remove rail spikes. b. Plans have been made for destruction of bridges, removal of rails and other sabotage as a double check to insure the success of denying the use of rail facilities to the enemy. These plans include action in the following places: (1) On the main line from Manila to the South between Cabuyao and Calamba. (2) Between Gamdelsrie and Lucena. (3) Between Pagbilao and Padre Burgos. (4) Between New Aloneros and Ragay. (5) The Batangas line between Tanauan and Lipa. (6) The main line from Manila to the North in the vicinity of Nevotas and Malabon. (7) The Cabanatuan branch in three places: (a) Vicinity of Baliwag, Bulacan. (b) Vicinity of Massim, Bulecan. (c) Vicinity of Penaranda, Nueva Ecija. (8) The Pampanga- Tarlac branch in two places: (a) Butween Calumpit, Bulacan and San Fernando, Pampanga. (b) Between Malolos and Calumpit, Bulscan. c. Plans were made to accomplish this action with facilities available locally. REGRADED UNCLASSIFIED ORDER SEC ARMY BY TAG PER 720354

d. The arrival of munitions, time bombs, etc., will assure the success of all or any part of the action outlined above. e. In the event it is desired that this action be taken, it is recommended that orders and instructions be furnished. It is believed feasible to advise the degree of destruction desired. SECTION II - Roads. 1. Plans for denying the use fo the roads to the enemy include action in the following places: a. On National Road No. 5, between the following places: (1) San Roque and Massim, Bulscan. (2) At Sta. Rosa, Muswa Ecija. (3) Between San Jose, Nueva Ecija and Balete pass. b. The road to Baler to be cut at three places between Bongabon and Baler. c. The road from Laur, Nueva Ecija to Dingalan Bay at two places. d. The road to northwestern Luzon at following places: (1) Between Malolos and Calumpit, Bulacan. (2) Just South of San Formando, Pampange. (3) Between San Fernando and Angeles, Pampanga. (4) Between Angeles and Porac. (5) Between Arayat, Pampange and Cabiao, N. Ecija. (6) Between Dinalupihan and Olongapo. (7) Between Tarlac and Santa Ignacia. (8) At the Villasis Pangasinan bridge. e. The road to Infanta is to be cut at two places between Famy and Tigmuan. Again between Barrios Kupalong and Kiloloron and again between Real and Barrio Gumien. f. The road from Lucban to Mauban is to be cut between Lucban and Sampaloe and Sampaloe and Mauban. g. The read to the Bicol Provinces is to be cut at three points between Pagbilao and Atimonen. h. Plans for cutting roads in the Bicol Provinces are not complete, however, preliminary reces show that there are many temporary structures which will be easily destroyed. i. Plans for Batangas and Cavite are not complete. Details on this gree will be submitted in the hear future. 2. The main method to be used in derying roads to the enemy is destruction of the temporary bridges. 3. Units assigned to these missions are to perform their individual mission and then heress the enemy with available arms and ammunition. SEC AHMY BY TAG PER REGRADED UNCLASSIFIED SECTION III \* Telegraph 1. Many reilroad telegraphers are secretly organized and claim they can cut cubles, destroy switchboards and other equipment in such a manner, it will take the enemy a minimum of one month to put same back in operation 2. The telegraph lines are to be cur at the same places, action is taken to cut the rail movements.

# SECTION IV - Telephone

- 1. Telephone lines parallelling roads and railroads are to be cut at the same places roads and railroads are cut.
- 2. We are still endesvoring to organize employees in the main terminals, but have not been successful to date.

# SECTION V # Bleetric Power

- 1. There have been no plans made for destruction of electric plants and/or transmission lines.
  - 2. The main hydro plants can be destroyed if such action is desired.
  - 3. Main transmission lines can be destroyed.
  - 4. It is requested that your desires regarding this item be furnished.

## SECTION VI - Launches and small bosts

1. Many of the operators of launches, batels and other small boats in the vicinity of Lamon Bay are secretly organized and are waiting for orders to deliver their bosts in good condition, sink or totally destroy same.

> /s/ Bernard L. Anderson BERNARD L. ANDERSON Major, U. S. Army, Commending.