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FOLDER #1 MOTOR POOL No. SIX

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECUIJA) S. S.
MUNICIPALITY OF CABANATUAN)

I, JOSE S. FUNZALAN, of legal age, Filipino, married to Remedios Capinpin and with residence and postal address at Rizal Street, Bonifacio, Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija, after being duly sworn to in accordance with law, depose and say, freely, voluntarily and without duress, the following:

That I was a licensed driver of the Zaragoza Transit Co., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Philippines, for many years up to the outbreak of the Pacific War, Dec. 7, 1941, when the U. S. Army commandeered the transportation truck, Zaragoza Transit which I was driving at Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija on Dec. 10, 1941;

When I was commandeered together with the truck I was driving, I was placed under the command of the Filipino Officers, Major V. Gomez and Captain Gazman in the 91st Division, Field Artillery, Battery C., 2nd Battalion under whose command I had worked, we proceeded to the East of the town of Cabanatuan at a distance of about twenty one kilometers until we reached Pangasinan on Dec. 24, 1941, when due to the superior enemy forces we had to retreat after a couple of days, under the order of General Stevens of the 91st Division, to Bataan, Trail 9, Km. Post 206, south of Bagak town;

That while we were at this place in Bataan, I was transferred to Motor Pool No. 6 under Major R. Derrick and Lt. R. Hedrick until February 20, 1942 which was the time when I received my first pay of ₱50.00 corresponding for the month of January, 1942;

That due to the continuous bombing of the Japanese planes, my truck which I was driving was directly hit by enemy bomb after I sought cover for safety which was the reason for my transfer to my former unit 91st Div. Field Artillery, Battery C., 2nd Battalion, after asking the consent of my superior officer R. Hedrick;

That under my new assignment, my superior officer was Major Fitch and Colonel Victor Gomez, Battalion Commander of 91st Division, F. A., when again I received my last pay for the month of February, 1942 in March 10, 1942 in the sum of ₱62.00 from Lt. Delfin Magat, Paymaster of 91st Division, FA, leaving the months of March to April 9, 1942 in arrears, which in accordance with the Paymaster and Lt. Galano, the Timekeeper Officer, will be made out in the subsequent voucher;

The list of Officer are:

1. General Stevens - 91st Division, FA, Battery C., 2nd Battalion., C.O.
2. Colonel Victor Gomez -
3. Major Fitch -
4. Lt. D. Magat - Paymaster, 91st Div., FA.
5. Lt. Galano - Timekeeper, 91st Div., FA.
6. Major R. Derrick - Motor pool supervisor, Motor Pool No. 6, US Army.
7. Lt. R. Hedrick - Timekeeper Officer

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed this instrument this 31st day of July, 1947, at Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija.

Jose Fonzalan
JOSE S. FUNZALAN

Subscribed and sworn to by Jose S. Fonzalan this 31st day of July, 1947, at Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija.

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Until Dec. 31, 1947

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ATTENTION: BENJAMIN J. PULLEY
Capt., Inf.
Claims Investigation Service

Dear Sirs:

With reference to your PRO-8195. To the best of my memory, I wish to state the following.

- 1.) As stated in my letter of April 8, 1946, upon assuming command of Motor Pool #6, I entered into the making up and clearing of discrepancies in the payroll of drivers and mechanics.
- 2.) I definitely remember the employment of Mr. Anatolio F. Canubsuban as a driver-mechanic and that the rate of pay was $\frac{1}{2}$ 2.00 daily.
- 3.) As you can well understand, I am not in a position to recall the exact number of days for which he was unpaid. However, in view of the excellent services performed by him during our period in Bataan and also the numerous occasions in which he helped out various prisoners concentrated at Cabanatuan, Camp #1, it is my honest belief that Mr. Canubsuban's claim is honest.

I would be inclined to believe that he had not been paid since January 9, 1942 as, while I cannot recall individual names of those who had received only 30 days payment, I distinctly remember there were quite a few on the payroll I made up which had January 9, 1942 as the last day of payment.

Trusting the above will suffice to secure the payment for which I believe Mr. Canubsuban is entitled, I remain,

Sincerely,

RPH:dln

/s/ Richard F. Hedrick
/t/ Richard F. Hedrick

c/o Studebaker Panamericana, S. A.
Balderas 33
Mexico, D. F.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Paul D. Perrine
PAUL D. PERRINE
Investigator

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From RPD
Receipt:

23 Apr 47

April 8, 1946

Headquarters, AFWESPAC

To Whom It May Concerns:

This will certify that Anatolio Canubsuban is well-known to me having been associated since Bataan, where he was a mechanic with Motor Transport.

The day following my date of commission (Jan. 10, 1942) he was inducted into the 26th Cavalry, as where numerous other Filipino mechanics, and I contacted him various times in Bataan till April 1, 1942, when he was assigned to Motor Pool 6, Kilometer 201.5, Mariveles-Bagac Road, of which I was in command.

One of my duties upon assuming command of Motor Pool 6, was the making up and clearing of discrepancies in the payroll due to the transient activities of the drivers and mechanics, which were constantly being shifted to various motor pools, as the occasions demanded. The payroll was made up and approved and had been signed by all personnel and returned to headquarters on April 8, 1942, but the funds were never received due to the capitulation on April 9, 1942.

Trusting this may be of aid in helping Mr. Canubsuban in securing payment due him, I remain

Very truly yours,

RICHARD F. HEDRICK
O-890101
Captain, QMC (Inac)

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