FOLDER # 16 M/S FORTUNA"

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Col. C.R. McLennan, Cav. Ft. Riley Kan. 14 - 8 - 46: To: Hq. Claims Service, AFWESPAC, Office of the Chief of Claims, APO 707.

- 1. The statements contained in the basic communication are correct with the following exceptions.
- a. Mr. Eliseo R. Villanueva may or may not have been the First Engineerof the M/S Fortuna at the time she entered the service of the United States and at the time she was sunk by enemy action off the north east end of Palawan Island, P.I. At the time she entered the service of the United States and at the time of her sinking she had a First Engineer and it is considered highly probable that Mr. Villanueva was that individual, but the undersigned can not now recall him by name.
- b. Early in 1942 an attempt was made to place under charter for the U.S. Army Transport Service all of the inter-island shipping then present in Hoilo Harbor, Hoilo, Hoilo, P.I. Negotiations for this chartering were conducted by Capt. Cleland, (or some such name), ATS (formerly a business man of Cebu City, Cebu. r.I.), In the case of shipping where the owner or the owner's authorized representative was located in Hoilo this chartering was promptly acknowlished, but, in case neither the owner or his authorized representative was located in Hoilo, the negotiations were, of necessity delayed. Shipping, on which negotiations were pending, was used, if military necessity required it, without awaiting the out come of negotiations. The undersigned can not now recall whether or not the M/S FORTUNA was placed under full time charter, or when, if she was. It is known that it was intended to place her under full time charter and that steps had been initiated to do so.
- c. The rates of pay for all crew members of chartered vessels, in cluding "War Bonuses", were those prescribed by the Superintendent, U.S. Army
  Transport Service, Manila, P.I. Although the undersigned approved the pay
  rolls for a number of chartered vessel's crews for several months he can not
  now recall the exact rate of pay which was authorized for each rating and
  the records and instructions on which rates of pay were established have long
  since been lost or destroyed as the result of enemy action. It can not be recalled that the undersigned presented Capt. Raymon Razon, Master of the M/S
  FORTUNA with a written order prescribing the rates of pay of the crew, though
  it is highly possible that he may have been presented with a mimeographed copy
  of such rates of pay. It is presumed that the "official" copy of the rates of
  pay of the crew was presented by Capt. Cleland ATS at the time he entered into
  negotiations for the chartering of the vessel. It is recalled that the rates
  of pay prescribed by the ATS for service in the "War Zone", which included all
  Philippine waters, was very substantial.
- d. As Navigation Head Officer, Iloilo, Iloilo, P.I. the undersigned had command of all shipping chartered by the ATS, present in Iloilo Harbor. In March 1942, (the exact date can not how be recalled), the M/S Fortuna, Capt. Raymon Razon, Master, was loaded with a cargo of relief supplies for the Island of Cuyo, Cullion Leper Colony and Puerta Princessa, Palawan and ordered to sea. Her sailing orders were, of course, secret. She was not ordered to Bataan, though the crew may have so suspected, because other ships had been ordered to Manila Bay, usually Corregidor, previously. She was sunk by enemy air action off the north east end of Palawan while on this voyage.

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e. It is the belief of the undersigned that the Grew of the M/S FORTUNA was paid in full up to and including the month of February 1942. To the best of his recollection and belief he has never seen a member of the Grew of the FORTUNA since she sailed from Iloilo on her last voyage. It is further believed that no member of the Fortuna's crew was/paid by the Navigation Head, Iloilo up to April 8, 1943, on which date the undersigned was relieved from Buty as Navigation Head Officer Iloilo and ordered to Negros Island. The undersigned's successor as Navigation Head Officer, Iloilo was Lt. Col. Richard Jones, Inf.Res.

2. It is suggested that the best person to positively identify the First Engineer of the M/S FORTUNA would be Captain Ramon Razon, her Master. Failing this source, Doctor Wade of the Rockerfeller Foundation, on duty at the Cullion Leper Colony, or Doctor Cullen, formerly Public Health Service Officer of Iloilo, both believed to be now living in the Philippines might be able to identify the First Engineer of the M/S FORTUNA. For details of the "commandeering" of the M/S Fortuna Capt. Cleland ATS, whose whereabouts is unknown to the undersigned, Lt.Col. Byrd, formerly Assistant Supermentendent ATS, Cebu or the records, if still in existance, of the Office of the Superintendent ATS, Manila, P.I. are suggested.

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Carter R. McLennan Colonel Cavalry.

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### AFFIDAVIT:

I, Adolfo S. Martinez, of age, a citizen of the Philippines, residing at No. 1618 Dominga, Malate, Manila, being duly sworn upon oath, depose and say:-

- That I am a licensed Master Mariner, Any Ocean, Any Gross Tons, since 1937.
- That I was in command of the M/S "Kanlaon", operated by the De La Rama Steamship Lines of Iloilo, since 1939 up to the date she was scuttled in Cebu, in April 1942.
- That the M/S "Kanlaon" was commandeered by the Ilo-3 ilo Port Quartermaster, in the port of Iloilo on Dec. 23, 1941.
- That Col. Carter R. Lennan, U.S. Cavalry, was the Commanding Officer in charge of the Iloilo Port Quartermaster.
- That while at Cebu, on March 31, I was paid by the 5 . office of the Cebu Quartermaster, Major Byrd, Officer in charge, the amount of P 1,100.00 as my salary as master of the M/S "Kanlaon" for the month of March.
- That I know Mr. Ramon Razon is a holder of a Master's 6 license, Any Gross Tons, Any Ocean and that he was in command of the M/S "Fortuna".

That the M/S "Fortuna", under the command of Capt. R. Razon, was commandeered by the Iloilo Port Quartermaster on Dec. 23, 1941.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Manila this day 2nd or lecember, 1946 by Adolfo S. Martinez, who exhibited his residence tax certificate No. A 265799, issued in Pasay,

Razal on Feb.28, 1946

My commission expires

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13 - That Capt. Ramon Razon and his Second Officer, Mr. Ramon Ferrer, arrived at Manila, from Araceli, on June 24, 1942.

That, to the best of my knowledge, Capt. Ramon Razon, has never worked in any capacity for the enemy or for the puppet Philippine Republic and that he never engaged in any "buy and sell" activities, during the enemy occupation of the Philippines.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me at Manila this 200

day of December, 1946, by Don. Tomas del Rio, who

exhibited his residence tax certificate No. A-1631437

ispued at Pasay

on August 29, 1946.

My commission expires December 31, 1946

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REPULLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CITY OF MANILA AFFIDAVIT: I, Ramon Razon, of ago, a citizen of the Philippines, married, residing at No. 711 Legarda, Manila. being duly sworn upon oath, depose and say:-That I am a licensed Master Mariner, Any Ocean. the L/s. "Fortuna" since 1936 up to the date of her Sinking in Araceli, Dumaran I., Palawan province. in March 1942. 2 - That the M/S. "Fortuna", 528.60 Gross and 296.81 Not tons, was owned and operated by "Rio y Clabarrieta", a partnership duly organized and registered under the laws of the Philippines, of No. 703 San Fernando, Manila. 3 - That the L/S. "Fortuna" was operated on a regular Schedule from Manila to the following ports of Palawan: Goron, Gulion, Guyo, Araceli, P. Fincesa, B. Point, Balabac and Garamay. 1 - That the M/S. "Fortuna", on her last trip, lort Banila for Falawan, carly in the corning of Dec. 5, 1941. That on Dec. 10, the M/S. Fortuna" arrived at Puerto Princesa, ser last port of call. That in P. Princesa, I advised the local shippers that the ship, since the outbreak of the war on Dec. 8, was being operated under war conditions and that cargo would be loaded for Manila and way ports, subjest to change of itinorary and destination. That on Dec. 11, while loading at Carmay, at about 3 pm. I received orders by radio from my owners to proceed to Ilollo without delay and there wait for further instructions. That at 6 pm. of the same day, I left Caremay and set course for iloilo. That, in order to avoid discovery and attack by encry planes during the hours of daylight, I anchored in Blenday Channel, Cuyo L., at 6 am., Dec. 12. That on the seme day, at about 6 pa., I left bi-Sugar for Iloilo. That on Dec. 13, at about 8 am. the ship entered the giver in Ploils and tied alogside the quay. DECLASSIFIED Authority NND 883078

- 12 That, upon arrival, I reported to my owners, by radio, that the ship had arrived at Iloilo and that I was waiting for further orders.
- That on or about Dec. 16, due to lack of fodder and anticipating a long stay in port, I sold 7 heads of cattle, shipped in P. Princesa for Manila, to the of cattle, shipped in P. Princesa for Manila, to the highest bidder. I also delivered 30 hogs, loaded by highest bidder. I also delivered 30 hogs, loaded by the Iwanig Penal Colony, consigned to the Bur. of the Prisons iin Manila, to the office of the Bur. of Ani-prisons iin Manila, to the office of the Bur. of Ani-
- 14 That, in order to have the ship ready to leave at a moments notice, I had all her fresh water tanks and fuel tanks filled to capacity.
- That on Dec. 23, 19h1, the M/S. Fortuna" was commandeered by the Iloilo Port Quartermaster, USAFFE? Col. Carter R. Mc Lennan, US Caralry, officer in charge.
- 16 That a receiptfor the ship, signed by Col. Carter R. Mc Lennan, is kept by her owners, Rio y Clabarrieta.
- 17 That on Feb. 26, 1942, I was ordered by the Iloilo Port U.M. to put the ship alongside the pier and discharge all her cargo and make her ready to load.
- That all the general cargo loaded in Falawan, consigned for Manila and way ports was unloaded into the pier warehouse and turned over to the care of the Iloilo Port Q.M.
- 19 That in the morning of Feb. 27, the ship started to load cargo consisting of rice, sugar, corn, flour, mongo, gasoline and kerosene.
- 20 That on Feb. 28, I was given verbal orders by col. Carter R. Mc Lennan, of the following schedule of my voyage: Suyo, P. Princesa, Sulion, Coron, Suyo and Ilo-
- 21 That Col. Carter N. Me Lennan's verbal orders were to unload at all these posts and to pick up all the
  capty drums and to load all the mining equipment and
  all the dinamite that the various manganese Mining companies would have ready for me at Joron.
- That Col. Carter R. Mc Lennan gave me a bag containing 2 50,000 in emergency notes of P 5.00 denomination for delivery to the Culion Leper Colony at Culion.
- 23 That col. carter Mc. Lennan ordered me verbally to sail only at night and seek shelter at any convenient anordered during the day, in order to avoid discovery and attack by enemy planes.

- cargo on door with incendiary bullets, thus starting a fire.
- 39 That the planes continued circling the ship until she was burning fiercely and before withdrawing, strafed the town several times.
- nes withdrew and that we had no means of fighting against
- the ship to come ashore, carly in the morning.
- h2 That on March 7, at about 3 pm., the ship completely destroyed by the fire, sank in 3 fathoms of water at about a fourth of a mile from shore, showing her masts, funnel and part of the bridge above water.
- 43 That on March 8, 1 filed my Marine Protest before the Justice of the Peace of the Municipality of Araceli.
- on board the first sailboat to call at araceli for Pamay, I sent most of my crew and five of the collected
  when back to Panay.
- 45 That Lieut. Salvador Solidario and five enlisted men stayed with me to guard the money for its safe delivery to the Culion Leper Solony.
- 46 That no transportation either to Culion or Panay was available after this.
- 147 That the subsistence for the men that were left with me was paid out of my own funds.
- the launch of the culion Leper Colony arived at Arace.

  11 with Mr. Lisboa, employee of the Colony, whom I personally know, to take delivery of the money.
- 49 That hr. Lisbon counted the money and issued the corresponding receipt therefor.
- 50 . That Lr. Lisbon left that same day for Culion.
- That about the last week of April, a Phil. Army training plane, with several american officers on board, one of them a capt. Sneed, flying from Corregidor to Ilcilo, made a forced landing, due to lack of fuel, on the beach of numeran, about 8 miles from Araceli.
- 52 That after supplying the occupants with food and siving them aviation gas, they left for illile, two days later.

- 53 -That I handed to one of the officers my completo report and a copy of my Marine Protest, addressed to Col. Carter R. Mc Lennan, Iloilo Port Ch.
- That in or about the middle part of May, Lieut. Salvador Solidario and his five enlisted men and what remained of my crew, took passage on a sallboat that called at Araceli on her way to Cuyo. The Second Officer Ramon Ferrer stayed with me in Araceli.
- That on June 1, I left Araceli, with Second Officer Ramon Ferrer, on the only sailboat available for Coron since the sinking of the ship.
- That on June 24, in the afternoon, we arrived at 56 -Manila, after passing Calintaan, Lamburao, Abra de Ilog. in Mindoro and Batangas.
- That the several letters entrusted to me by the Ilollo Port Q.M. to be delivered in Coron, I destroyed . when I failed to locate the persons to whom they were addressed, following verbal orders from Gol. Carter R. Mc Lennan.
- That the ship's log book and papers were also des-58 troyed to avoid their falling in the hands of the enemy.
- That during my ship's stay in Iloilo, no agreement 59 on the rate of salaries was ever reached between the Iloilo Port Q.M. and the masters of the ships commandeered. because decision on this matter rested with the Com. Gral. of Visayas end Mindanao with offices in Cobu.
- 60 -That when the ship left Iloilo on Feb. 28, 19h2 neither my salary nor the salary of the crew for services rendered the Iloilo Port Q.L. were paid.
- That during the occupation of the Philippines by 61 the Japanese, I learned in Manila, from several captains of ships commandeered in Cebu, and from captains Cerardo Alleje, of the S/SPVenus" and Adolfo Martinez of the M/S. "Canlaon", both ships commandeered in Iloilo, that they were paid in Cebu at the rate of P 1,100,00 a month.
- That I have never taken any employment either under the Japanese or under the puppet Government, nor hayo I, at any time, engaged in any "buy and sell" business nor attempted to profit by the unsettled conditions of arrairs auring the enemy occupation of the Philippines.

#### RAMON RAZON

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subscribed and sworn to before me at hanila this 2 N day of December, 196 by capt. Ramon Ragon, who exhibited his residence the certificate No. A 692593 original NOTARY PUBLIC My Commission Expires December 31, 10

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Partial List of the crew of the M/S "FORTUNA" when taken by the Iloilo Port Quartermaster and their corresponding salaries under Rio y Olabarrieta.

Master -	Ramón Razón - \$250.00 Salary 250.00 Mo. Bonus	₱500.00
1st Officer-	Leonardo Tapia	165.00
2nd "	Ramón Ferrer	120.00
3rd "	Humon 101101	120.00
Wireless	Mercediña Sexon	90.00
Chief Eng.	Eliseo Willanueva	250.00
2nd "	José Burgos	
3rd "	Vicente Narte	135.00
4th "	Vicence Narte	100.00
Oiler	Podrigo Nacionalos	90.00
Oiler	Rodrigo Nacionales	35.00
	Cornelio Bacugan	35.00
Boatswain	Demetrio Panaligan	50.00
Wheelsman	Federico Quinsay	35.00 170, -
	Pedro Orfilla	35.00
"	Catalino de la Cruz	35.00
"		35.00
Storekeeper	Qurino Barcebal	35.00
Winchman	Omador Tolentino	35.00
"		35.00
Sailor	Roque Labrador	30.00
"	Constantino Sipalo	30.00
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11		30.00
Carpenter		45.00
Watchman		30.00
Chief Steward	José Baylosis	45.00
" Cook	Marcelino Cabigan	45.00
2nd Cook		32.00
Cabin Boy	Sergio Pagador	22.00
n n	Faustino Navales	22.00
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Sailor's Cook		25.00
Cabin Boy		22.00

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#### AFFIDAVIT:

I, Tomas del Rie, of age, a citizen of the Philippines, married, residing at No. 703 San Fernande, Manila, being duly swarn upon eath, depose and say:-

- 1 That I am the manager of "Rio y Olabarrieta", a partnership duly organized and registered under the laws of the Philippines, owners and operators of the vessels, S/S. "Den Juan O", M/S. "Fortuna" and M/S. "Ventura".
- That the M/S. "Fortuna" of 296.81Net and 528.60 Gross Tons, was operated on a regular schedule from Manila to the ports of Coron, Culion, Cuyo, Araceli, P. Princesa, B. Point, Balabac and Caramay in Palawan Province.
- 3 That the M/S. "Fortuna" was under the command of Capt.
  Remon Razon, since 1936 up to the date of her sinking in
  Araceli, on March 1942.
- 4 That Capt. Ramon Razon was paid a salary of P 250.00 per month plus a monthly bonus of P 250.00, payable at the end of each year.
- 5 That Capt. Leenarde Tapia was the Chief Officer of the M/S. "Fortuna" since 1939 up to the date of her sinking.
- 6 That the M/S. "Fortuna" left Manila in the morning of Dec. 5, 1941, for her last trip.
- 7 That on Dec. 11, following verbal instructions of the U.S. Naval authorities in Manila, I ordered Capt. Razon, by radio, to proceed to Ileilo and there wait for further instructions.
- 8 That on Dec. 23, 1941, the M/S. "Fortuna" was commandeered by the Ilaila Port Quartermaster, USAFFE, in Ilaila.
- Port uartermaster, signed by Col. Carter R. McLennan, U.S. Cavalry. Said receipt is kept in the office of "Rie y Olabarrieta", at 703 San Fernande Manila.
- 10 That the M/S. "Fortuna" was sunk by japanese planes in the part of Araceli, Palawan, on March 6, 1942, while making her trip from Ileile to various ports of Palawan.
- 11 That the M/S. "Fortuna" was making this trip, operated by the Ileile Port Quartermaster, Col. Carter R. MG Lennan, efficer in charge.
- That on Sept. 3, 1946, in Manila, the AFWESPAC paid me my claim for the loss of the M/S. "Fortuna", not including the fuel in her tanks, the subsistence and the salaries of the orew.

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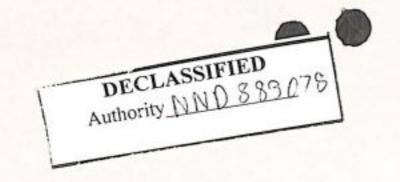
The following is a partial list of the crew of the M/S. "Fortuna", according to the best of my knowledge and belief, as far as I can remember. However, I will be able to identify those whose names are not included herein, who were members of the crew and under my command during the dates mentioned, upon their presentation.

1st. Officer - Leonardo Tapia - Add. American Pres.Lines 2nd. " Ramon Ferrer - " " . " Chief Engineer- E liseo Villanueva 2nd. . " Jose Burgos 3rd. 4th. Boatswain - Demetrio Panaligan Add. Guyo, Palawan Quartermaster - Pedro Orquilla - " Madrid 618 C atalino de la Cruz " Seaman - C onstantiono Sepalu " 11 - R oque Labrador Winchmen Storekeeper - Quirino Barcebal " Sales 270 Oiler - Cornelio Bacungan / C hief Steward- Jose Baylosis " C uyo Palawan C hief Cook - Marcelino Cabigon " Lavezares 415 Second " Crew's cook Cabin boy - Felicisimo Tayco # Watchman Radio Operator Mercedino Sexon

Manila, January 3, 1947

MASTER OF M75 FORTUNA"

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9th February, 1948

THE COMMANDING GENERAL
PHILIPPINES RYUKYUS COMMAND, APO 707
ATTENTION: CHIEF OF CLAIMS SERVICE

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of January 28, 1948, I inclosed the partial list of the crew of the M/S "FORTUNA", when this ship was taken by the Iloilo Port Quartermaster.

As all the ship's paper were destroyed to prevent their falling in enemy hands, this list was made from memory. As I do not remember all the names, I left part of the list blank pending careful investigation.

Sincerely yours,

RAMON RAZON

Manila Pilots' Association

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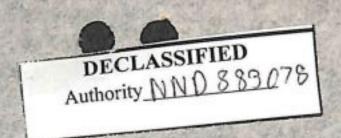
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REPORT OF CLAIMS OFFICER, CLAIMS SERVICE, PHILRYCOM, APO 707

Claimant Cornelio B. Bacugan et al Ty	te 5 February 1948 The Wage Claims
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Date and Place of Incident 23 December 1941	to 6 March 1942:
Nature of Damage <u>Unpaid Wages</u> Statement of facts and opinion (attach additional (LIST OF EXHIBITS ON SEPARATE SHEET)	
FACTS:	
Claimants were members of the crew of December 1941 to 6 March 1942. At this day ed through enemy action at Araceli, Palaw to 6 March 1942, inclusive, they were not services rendered. Their allegation regarnimous, although Colonel Carter R. McLennatle in Team #7 states that he believes to "FORTUNA" were paid to include February 1 payrolls of the M/S "FORTUNA" to further payment.	te, the ship was destroy— yan. From 23 December 1941 paid their salaries for ding this point are una— an in his statement avail— that the crew of M/S
Findings disclosed that the rate of taken over by the Army was increased by 1 February 1942.	pay of the crew of vessels 00 percent effective 1
The M/S "FORTUNA" appears on the "Re Service Activities in the P.I." of Colone Army at Iloilo in December 1941 and sunk	1 Ward as taken over by
OPINION:	
The evidence in this file is suffici and their non-payment. Amount recommended their names in the attached schedule. Amoformer rate of pay under their former emp by 100 percent beginning February 1942. Per 6 March 1942, the date when the services	unts are based on their loyer which was increased
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GEORGE E. JONES, JR. Director, Team No. 7	ALBINO Z. DINGLAS  XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CITY OF MANILA

### AFFIDAVIT:

I, Dionisio A. Maneja, of age, a citizen of the Philippines, residing at No. 92-K 2nd Street, Kamuning Quezon City, being duly sworn upon oath, depose and say: -

- That I am a licensed Master Mariner, Any Ocean, Any Gross Tons since 1920.
- That I was in command of the M/S "Princessa" of 469 Gross and 283 net tons, owned and operated by the Insular Navigation Company of Cebu, Cebu since 1930.
- That the M/S "Princesa" was commandeered in Cebu by the USAFFE, Major Byrd, U.S.A Officer in charge on January 1st, 1942.
- That while at Cebu, I was paid by the USAFFE, as my salary, as Master of the M/S "Princesa" for Feb. and March, P 1,100.00 per month.
- That I met Capt. Ramon Razon in Iloilo sometime in Jan. 1941. He was in command of the M/S/ "Fortuna".

D. a. Maners DIONISIO A. MANEJA

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Manual this 2nd day of Jeumber 1946 by Dionisio A. Maneja, who exhibited his residence tax certificate No. A 1815347 issued in

Manila on Sept. 12, 1946

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My commission expires

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