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FROM: Civilian Section To: Director, RPD DATE: 16 Nov 45

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Construction of these fields were never completed.

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Estimated 30,000 employees in Panay are involved by this

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THRU: Adjudication Branch

PROBLEM: Adjudication of cases involving workers on Panay Airfields

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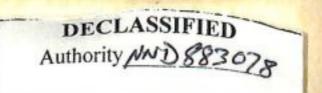
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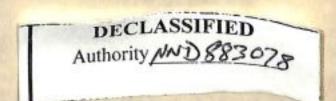
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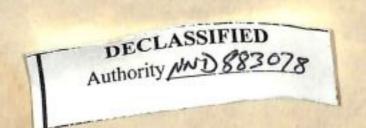
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#### COORDINATION:

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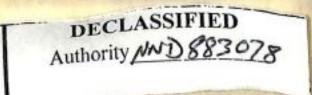
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TO: Director, RPD DATE: 1 Feb 46
THRU: Chief, Adj Branch
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Request approval of attached policy

R. E. P.

FROM: Director, Rec Pers Div TO: Civilian Section DATE: 6 Feb 46
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FROM: Civilian Section TO: Director, RPD DATE: 16 Nov 45

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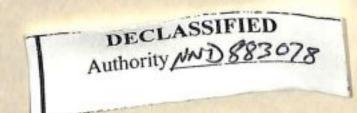
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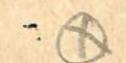
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- Faragraphs 1 and 3, recommendation & approved.
- 2. Paragraph 2, recommendation is disapproved.
- It is determined that for the purpose of the administration of the Missing Persons Act, employees of the Bureau of Public Works were, in fact, employees of the Commonwealth Government and never were employees of the War Department insofar as the administration of the Act is concerned.

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Subject: Policy

(1) FROM: Civilian Section

TO: Director, Rec Pers Div

DATE: 7 Dec 45

THRU: Adjudication Branch

THRU: Legal Section

THRU: Administrative Sub Div

PROBLEM: Adjudication of cases involving workers on Panay Airfields

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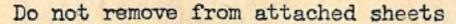
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Subject: Transmittal of C/N

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(2) FROM: Legal Officer To: Dir Adm Sub-Div DATE: 12 Dec 45

- 1. Concur in conclusions 1 and 3 and recommendations 1 and 3.
- 2. I do not concur in conclusion 2 and recommendation 2. After study of compiled evidence in this file it is my opinion that determination should be made that the employees of the Bureau of Public Works remained employees of the Commonwealth Government on loan to the military forces. Borrowing of services of employees and compensating the employer for their services is not without precedent and seems consonant with the actual situation in these cases. The army's arrangements for services of these men were made through the Bureau itself with their ratings retained. The military situation considerably broadened the function of the Bureau but it nevertheless continued to function. method of payment of these men through the local government officials remained the same. Discussion with Lt Col Hamer leads me to believe that this method of payment is not of great significance since the army appears to have availed itself of the use of these facilities in handling of other fiscal matters in that area. However it is reasonable to presume that the bureau employees continued to function as such and did not become WD Employees.

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FROM: Civilian Section TO: Adjudication Branch DATE: 7 Dec. 1945

Recommend approval of attached Check Sheet.

A. D. G.

(3) FROM: Chief, Adj Branch TO: Dir, Adm Sub-Div DATE: 10 Dec 45

Concur in recommendation contained in covering C/N 1.

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FROM: Director, Adm Sub-Div TO: Director, RPD DATE: 14 Dec 45

- 1. Concur in conclusions 1 and 3 and recommendations 1 and 3, C/N 1.
- 2. Concur in par 2, C/N 2.

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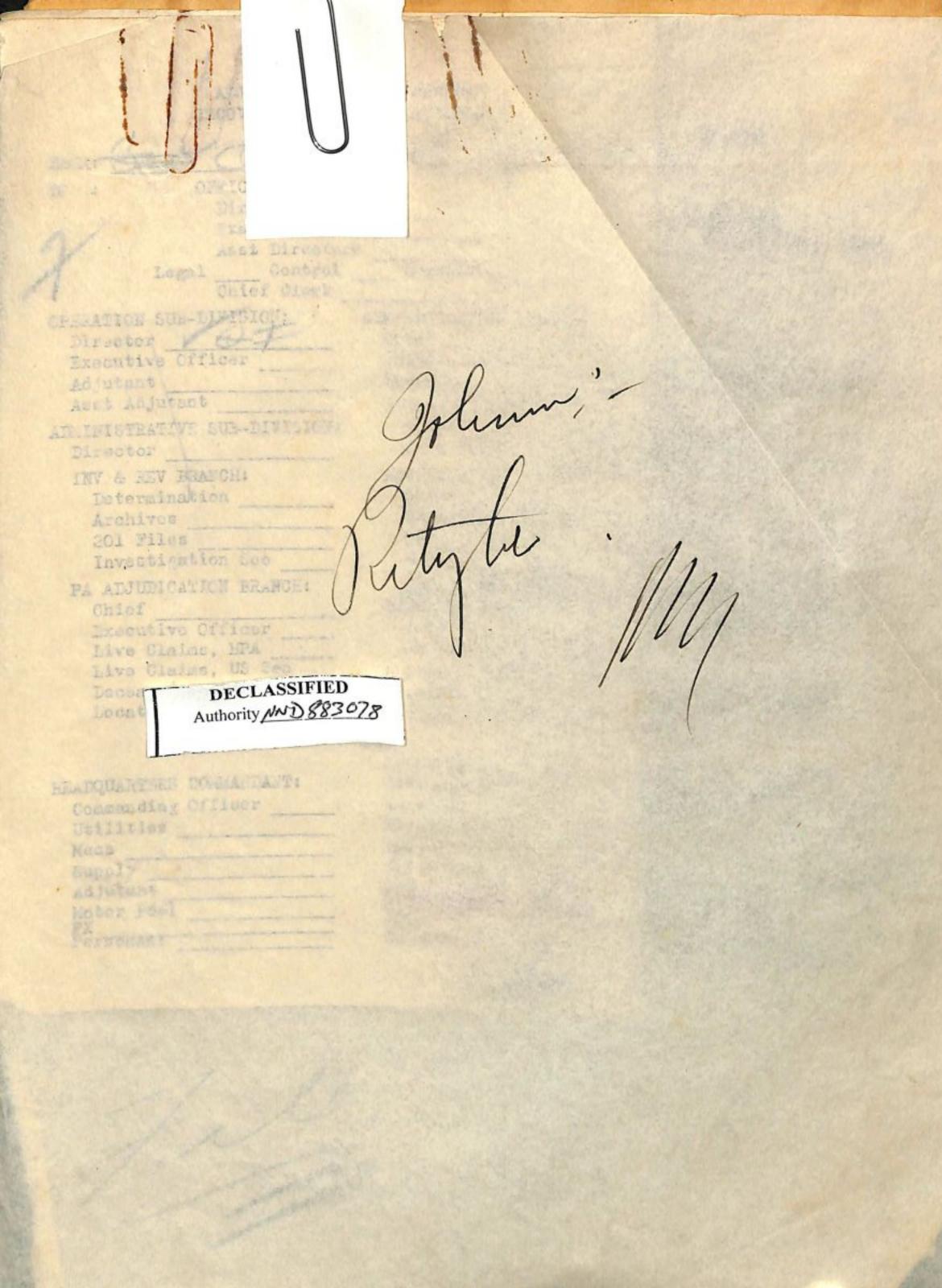
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FROM: Din Rec Pers Div

To: Adju Br Civ Sec 15 Dec 45

- 1. Paragraphs 1 and 3, recommendation is approved.
- 2. Paragraph 2, recommendation is disapproved.
- 3. It is determined that for the purpose of the administration of the Missing Persons Act, employees of the Bureau of Public Works were, in fact, employees of the Commonwealth Government and never were employees of the War Department insofar as the administration of the Act is concerned.

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Director	Executive Officer
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Asst Adjutant	FINANCE BRANCH:
ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-DIVISION:	Chief
Director	Asst Chief
INV & REV BRANCH:	ADJUDICATION BRANCH:
Determination	Chief
Archives	Executive Officer
201 Files	PS
Investigation Sec	AUS
PA ADJUDICATION BRANCH:	Civ (Q)
Chief	CASUALTY BRANCH:
Executive Officer	Chief
Live Claims, HPA	Executive Officer
Live Claims, US Sec	CLAIMS & BENEFITS BRANCH:
Deceased Claims	Chief
Locator	Executive Officer
	FOR:
	Approval
HEADQUARTERS COMMANDANT:	Information
Commanding Officer	Initials
Utilities	Signature
Mess	Appropriate Action
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# HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION CEBU BRANCH

APO 718 27 February 1946

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SUBJECT: Cebu War Dept. Claims

To : Recovered Personnel Division

Attn. Capt. Siwicki, Adjudication Section-civilian

personnel sub-section.

l. Your communication dated 6 Feb. '46, Attn.
Lt. E. J. McKeeny delivered to this office by Lt. G.C. Boesch.
Lt. McKeeny is unknown to this office.

- 2. The information requested in 1 a-b-c-d- has been forwared as received with affidavits.
- 3. In connection with above, witnessed affidavits are now being obtained covering the history of every place of employment claimed to have been under USAFFE control by applicants processed at this office.
- 4. True copies of commandeering orders and charters of over 50 ships have also been obtained. This information will be brought to Manila by investigation teams.

5. Pending instructions to the contrary this branch office will have completed its mission within the next ten days after which personnel will return to Manila.

ROBERT G. SMITH Rec. Pers. Det.

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ATTENTION: Capt. Siwicki, Adjudication Section-civilian Personnel Sub-section DECLASSIFIED
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