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I certify that the below named men were members of the crew of the M/Tug "Explorador", that they held the indicated position on the vessel, and were paid at the rate shown at the time the "Explorador" was scuttled on 16 April 1942.

No.	Name	Capacity	Salary
1.	Rufino Ellab	Captain	P110.00
2.	Celedonio Madolara	Chief Officer	80.00
3.	Rosalio Franco	Radio Operator	80.00
4.	Flacido Alagde	Chief Engineer	100.00
5.	Hipolito Atinado	Second "	80.00
6.	Julian Lozada	Third "	70.00
7.	Jovito de la Pina	Oiler "	23.00
8.	Mario Liboon	Quartermaster	18.00
9.	Pacifico Nofable	" "	18.00
10.	Julio Soliman	Cook	18.00
11.	Juanito Validad	Sailor	15.00
12.	Jaime Magluyan	" "	15.00
13.	Crisostomo Rotor	" "	15.00
			TOTAL-- <u>P642.00</u>

R. m. Ellab

Rufino Ellab
Captain

Subscribed and sworn before me this first day of Nov. 1945
at AFFAC, Customs House, Iloilo City, Panay, P. I.

Gustave C. Boesch, Jr.

Gustave C. Boesch, Jr.
1st Lt. Inf.

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A F F I D A V I T

I, RUFINO ELLAB, of legal age, 49 years of age, married and resident of the Municipality of Miagao, province of Iloilo, Philippines, after having been duly sworn in the form prescribed by law, depose and say:

That I am the Master of the M/S "EXPLORADOR" of the VISTCO, when the said vessel was turned over under the command of the Philippine Constabulary, USAFFE, on the 9th of January, 1942, including the officers and Crew. The boat, when under Army Service was used principally for patrol service. We patrolled the southern water of Panay Island especially during the night time.

That I was receiving a salary of P 110.00 a month as master of M/S Explorador. That we were under the direct supervision of the then Major Alcala, although we get our orders from Lt. Teodoro Clarin, who was always on board. We stopped rendering service to the USAFFE when the Japanese landed in Panay on April 16, 1942.

That the M/S "EXPLORADOR" was commissioned by the USAFFE exclusively for patrol service. We have on board soldiers under the command of Lt. T. Clarin. We patrolled the waters south of Panay, especially the waters from Iloilo harbor to Naso Pt., Antique. When the Japanese landed in Panay we were off the coast of Miagao. We had no other alternative but aground the ship and scuttle it to prevent its use to the enemy.

That my official papers pertinent to my services as master of M/S "Explorador" were lost during this war, that despite my diligent efforts in search to recover same, it has not been recovered.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this affidavit in the City of Iloilo, this 8th day of October, 1945.

R. Ellab
RUFINO ELLAB
Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of October, 1945, in the City of Iloilo, Philippines the affiant exhibited to me residence certificate No. A 213884, issued at the City of Iloilo, on April 23, 1942.

[Signature]
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Until December 31, 1946

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Iloilo City, Philippines
October 5, 1945

ACTIVITIES OF M/S "EXPLORADOR"

I, RUFINO ELLAB, of my own free will and accord do hereby state:

That I was the captain of the Motor Vessel "EXPLORADOR" belonging to the VISBYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY;

That the said vessel had been commandeered by the USAFFE on 9th January, 1942;

That the USAFFE had used the "EXPLORADOR" for PATROL service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island, the principal sector being the water from Iloilo Harbor to Naso Point, Antique;

That we get our orders from Lieut. Theodore Clarin, who was personally aboard, although we were under the supervision of the then Major Alcala of the USAFFE;

That I have served continuously from the date of commandeer (9th January '42) to 16th April, 1942, when the Japanese landed Iloilo, and the "EXPLORADOR" was scuttled near Miag-ao to prevent its use by the enemy.

IN TESTIMONY OF THE ABOVE STATEMENT, I am signing my signature below.

R. Ellab
RUFINO ELLAB
"Captain" "EXPLORADOR"

Placido Alagde

PLACIDO ALAGDE

Chief Engineer "EXPLORADOR"

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Iloilo City, Philippines
October 5, 1945

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. RUFINO M. ELLAB was employed by the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY as CAPTAIN of its motor vessel, "EXPLORADOR" which had been commandeered by the USAFFE on January 9, 1942.

The USAFFE retained all personnels aboard both deck and engine departments.

VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION CO.

BY:

A. H. Taylor
A. H. TAYLOR
Manager

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. RUFINO ELLAB was master of the M/S EXPLORADOR, when it was commissioned into the service of the USAFFE, under the Off-Shore Patrol V - 27, at the port of Iloilo, on January 9, 1942.

He continued rendering service as master of the said vessel up to the date of the Japanese invasion of Panay on April 16, 1942.

ACB

TE ODORO CLARIN
1st Lieut., Infantry
Formerly, OC of M/S EXPLORADOR

Iloilo City, Philippines
October 10, 1945

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that MR. CELEDONIO MADCLARA was employed by the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY as CHIEF OFFICER of its motor vessel, "EXPLORADOR" which had been commandeered by the USAFFE on January 9, 1942.

The USAFFE retained all personnel aboard both deck and engine departments.

VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY.

BY:


A. H. TAYLOR
Manager

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Iloilo City, P.I.
October 10, 1945

ACTIVITIES OF M/S "EXPLORADOR":

I, CELEDONIO MADOLARA, of my own free will and accord do hereby state:

THAT, I was the Chief Officer of the Motor vessel "EXPLORADOR" belonging to the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY;

THAT, the said vessel had been commandeered by the USAFFE on the 9th of January, 1942;

THAT, the USAFFE had used the M/S "EXPLORADOR" for PATROL service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island, the principal sector being the water from Iloilo Harbor to Naso point, Antique;

THAT, we got our orders from Lieut. Teodoro Clarin, who was personally aboard, although we were under the supervision of the then Major Alcalá of the USAFFE;

THAT, I have served continuously from the date of the commander (9th January 1942) to 16th April, 1942, when the Japanese landed Iloilo, and the "EXPLORADOR" was scuttled near Miagao to prevent its use by the enemy.

IN TESTIMONY OF THE ABOVE-STATEMENT, I am signing my signature this 10th day of October, 1945, in the City of Iloilo, Philippines.

C. Madolara
CELEDONIO MADOLARA
"Chief Officer" M/S
"EXPLORADOR"

R. Ellas
RUFINO ELLAS
"Captain" "EXPLORADOR"

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES)
CITY OF ILOILO -----) S.S.

A F F I D A V I T

I, CELEDONIO MADOLARA, 39 years of age, married and resident of Solis-Valeria streets, City of Iloilo, after having been duly sworn to according to law, depose and say:

THAT, I am the Chief Officer of the M/S "EXPLORADOR" of VISTCO, when the said vessel was turned over the command of the Philippine Constabulary, USAFFE, on the 9th of January, 1942, including the officers and crew. The boat, when under the Army service was used principally for patrol service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island, especially during the night time;

THAT, as the Chief Officer of the M/S "EXPLORADOR", I was receiving a salary of EIGHTY (P80.00) PESOS a month;

THAT, we were under the direct supervision of the then Major Alcalá, although we got our orders from Lt. Teodoro Clarin, who was always on board. We stopped rendering service to the USAFFE when the Japanese landed in Panay on April 16, 1942;

THAT, the M/S "EXPLORADOR" was commissioned by the USAFFE exclusively for patrol service. We have on board soldiers under the command of Lt. Teodoro Clarin. We patrolled the waters south of Panay, especially the waters from Iloilo Harbor to Naso Point, Antique. When the Japanese landed in Panay we were off the coast of Miagao. We had no other alternative but aground the ship and scuttle it to prevent its use to the enemy;

THAT, when we were sure that the vessel could no longer be used by the enemy, we abandoned the ship and I made my way to find my family at Pototan where we evacuated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of October, 1945, in the City of Iloilo, Philippines.

Celedonio Madolara
CELEDONIO MADOLARA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of October, 1945, in the City of Iloilo, Philippines. Affiant exhibited to me his residence certificate No. A-336112, issued at Cebu City, Cebu, on June 21 1945.

Flora R. Consolacion
FLORA R. CONSOLACION
Assistant City Attorney
City of Iloilo



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To the President and the Vice President of the United States
and the members of the Executive Council of the United States
Washington, D. C.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th
instant, in which you request that I should cause to be prepared
for you a copy of the report of the Special Committee on the
Activities of the Communist Party in the United States, which
was submitted to the House of Representatives on the 10th of
November, 1950.

I am sorry that I cannot comply with your request, but the
report is not available to the public.

I am, Sir, very
respectfully,
Yours,
John Edgar Hoover

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The report of the Special Committee on the Activities of the
Communist Party in the United States, which was submitted to
the House of Representatives on the 10th of November, 1950,
is a confidential document and its disclosure to the public
would be injurious to the national defense.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
John Edgar Hoover

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th
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I am, Sir, very
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Yours,
John Edgar Hoover

13 Sept. '45

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Celedonio Madolara was Chief Officer of the M/S EXPLORADOR when it was commissioned into the service of the USAFFE, under the Off-Shore Patrol V - 27, at the port of Iloilo, on January 9, 1942.

He continued rendering as Chief Officer of the said vessel up to the date of the Japanese invasion of Panay on April 16, 1942.

TC

TEODORO CLARIN
1st Lieut., Infantry
Formerly, OC of M/S EXPLORADOR

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Iloilo City, Philippines
October 10, 1945

ACTIVITIES OF M/S "EXPLORADOR"

I, MARIO LIBO-ON, of my own free will and accord do hereby state:

That I was the Quartermaster (helmsman) of the motor vessel "EXPLORADOR" belonging to the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY;

That the said vessel had been commandeered by the USAFFE on the 9th day of January, 1942;

That the USAFFE had used the "EXPLORADOR" for Patrol Service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island, the principal sector being the water from Iloilo Harbor to Naso Pt. Antique;

That we get our orders from Lt. Teodoro Clarin, who was personally aboard, altho we were under the supervision of the then Major Alcala of the USAFFE;

That I have served continuously from the date of commandeering (January 9, 1942) to 16th of April, 1942, when the Japanese landed Iloilo, and the "EXPLORADOR" was scuttled near Miagao to prevent its use by the enemy.

IN TESTIMONY OF the above statement, I am signing my signature below.

MARIO LIBO-ON
Helmsman M/S "EXPLORADOR"

Attested by:

R. Eliab
RUFINO ELIAB
Captain M/S "EXPLORADOR"

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A F F I D A V I T

I, MARIO LIBO-ON, of age, married, Filipino, and a resident of the City of Iloilo, after being duly sworn in accordance with law, depose and say:

That I was the Quarter-master (Helmsman) of the M/S Explorador of the VISTCO, when the said vessel was turned over under the command of the Philippine Constabulary, USAFFE, on the 9th of January, 1942, including the officers and crew of the ship. The boat while under army service was used principally for patrol service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island especially during the night time.

That I was receiving a salary of P18.00 a month as Quarter-Master (Helmsman) aboard the M/S Explorador.

That we were under the direct supervision of the then Major Alcala, although we got our orders from Lt. Teodoro Clarin, who was always on board. We stopped rendering service to the USAFFE when the Japanese landed in Panay on April 16, 1942.

That the M/S Explorador was commissioned by the USAFFE exclusively for patrol service. We had on board soldiers under the command of Lt. T. Clarin. We patrolled the waters south of Panay, especially the waters from Iloilo Harbor to Naso Point, Antique. When the Japanese landed in Panay we were off the coast of Miag-ao. We had no other alternative but aground the ship and scuttle it to prevent its use by the enemy.

That my official papers pertinent to my services as Quarter-Master (Helmsman) of the M/S Explorador were lost during this war, that inspite of my diligent effort in search to recover same, it has not been found up to the present time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand in the City of Iloilo, this 14th day of October, 1945.

Mario Libo-on
MARIO LIBO-ON

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of October, 1945, in the City of Iloilo, Philippines; affiant exhibited to me his Residence Certificate No. A 1457835, issued in the City of Iloilo, on September 12, 1945.

Pascual P. Resinas
PASCUAL P. RESINAS
Notary Public
Until December 31, 1946

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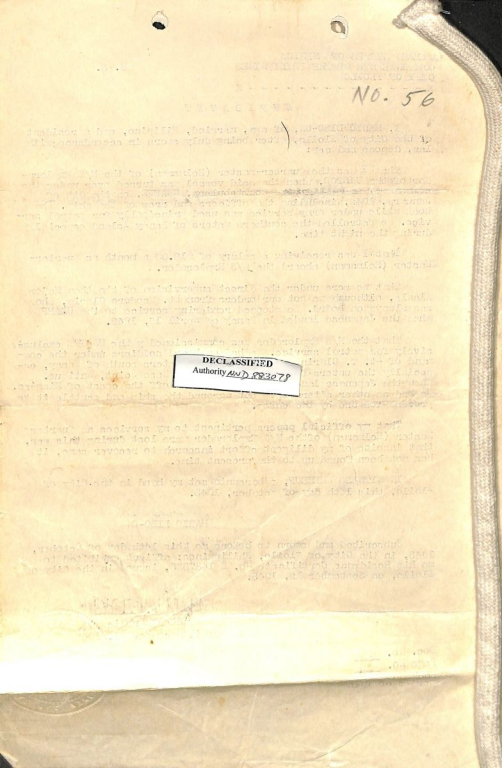
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Iloilo City, Philippines
October 10, 1945

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Mario Libo-on was employed by the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY as QUARTERMASTER (Helmsman) of its motor vessel "EXPLORADOR" which had been commandeered by the USAFFE on the 9th day of January, 1942.

That USAFFE retained all personnel aboard both deck and engine departments.

VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION CO.

By:

A. H. Taylor
A. H. TAYLOR
Manager

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN;

This is to certify that Mr. Marie Libe-on was the Quarter-master of the M/S EXPLORADOR when it was commissioned into the service of the Usaffe under the Off-Shore Patrol V - 27 at the port of the City of Ileile on January 9, 1942.

He continued rendering service as such quarter-master of the said vessel up to the date of the Japanese invasion of Panay on April 16, 1942.

THEODORE CLARKIN
1st Lieut., Infantry
Formerly CG of the M/S EXPIORADOR

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Placide Alagde was the CHIEF ENGINEER of the M/S Explorador when it was commissioned into the service of the USAFFE under the Off-Shore Patrol V - 27 at the port of the City of Iloilo on January 9, 1942.

He continued rendering service as such CHIEF ENGINEER of the said vessel up to the date of the Japanese invasion of Panay on April 16, 1942.

T. Clarin

TODORO CLARIN
1st Lieut., Infantry
Formerly OC of M/S EXPLORADOR

R. Ellab

Capt. M/S Explorador

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Placido Alagde has worked for the Visayan Stevedore Transportation Company since October, 1925, as Chief Engineer of different motor boats belonging to the company. He was Chief Engineer of the M/s Explorador from November, 1936 up to the outbreak of the present war in December, 1941.

During all the time he was employed with the company, his services have been entirely satisfactory.

City of Iloilo, August 23, 1945.

VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION CO.

By:

A. H. Taylor
A. H. TAYLOR
Vice-President

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A F F I D A V I T

I, PLACIDO ALAGDE, of age, married, and a resident of the City of Iloilo, Philippines, after being duly sworn in accordance with law, depose and say:

That I am a duly licensed 2nd Marine Engineer having been licensed as such since October, 1925;

That I was acting as Chief Engineer aboard the M/S Explorador of the Visayan Stevedore Transportation Co. since November, 1936 until December, 1941;

That from December, 1941, the M/S Explorador was taken by the U.S. Army, and I continued serving in the above mentioned capacity, drawing a salary of P100.00 a month from the Army authorities up to and including March, 1942;

That on April, 1942, as a result of the landing of the Japanese forces in Panay, we received orders to abandon the M/S Explorador at Miag-ao, Iloilo, where the following morning she was sunk in order to prevent capture by the enemy;

That I was not able to collect my salary for the month of April, 1942, nor any other sums thereafter;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand in the City of Iloilo, Philippines, this 23rd day of August, 1945.

Placido Alagde
(Sgd.) PLACIDO ALAGDE

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of August, 1945, in the City of Iloilo, Philippines; affiant exhibited to me his residence Certificate No. A 1476015, issued in the City of Iloilo, Philippines, dated August 21, 1945.

(Sgd.) PASCUAL P. ESPINOSA
Notary Public

My commission expires Dec. 31, 1946

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I hereby certify that the foregoing affidavit is a true copy from the duplicate in my records.

Pascual P. Espinosa
PASCUAL P. ESPINOSA

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A F F I D A V I T

I, HIPOOLITO ATINADO, of age, married, Filipino, and a resident of the City of Iloilo, Philippines, after being duly sworn in accordance with law, depose and say :

That I was the 2nd Engineer in the service of the M/T "EXPLORADOR" of the VISTO when the said vessel was turned over under the command of the Philippine Constabulary, USAFFE, on the 9th of January, 1948, including the officers and crew of the boat. The boat while under Army service was used principally for patrol service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island especially during nighttime;

That I was receiving the salary of P80.00 per month as such 2nd Engineer aboard the M/T "EXPLORADOR";

That we were under the direct supervision of the then Major Alcala, although we got our orders from Lt. Teodoro Clarin. We patrolled the waters of Southern Panay with Lt. Teodoro Clarin always on board. We stopped rendering service to the USAFFE when the Japanese landed in Panay of April 16, 1942;

That the M/S "EXPLORADOR" was commissioned by the USAFFE exclusively for Patrol service. We had on board soldiers under the command of Lt. Teodoro Clarin. We patrolled the waters of southern Panay, especially the waters from Iloilo harbor to Base Point, Antique. When the Japanese landed in Panay, we were off the coast of Mang-ro, Iloilo. We had no other alternative but to aground the ship and scuttle it to prevent capture by the enemy;

That my official papers pertinent to my service as 2nd Engineer of the M/S "EXPLORADOR" were lost during this war, and that in spite of my diligent search to recover the same, none has been found up to the present time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand in the City of Iloilo, Philippines, this 10th day of October, 1948.

H. Atinado
HIPOOLITO ATINADO

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of October, 1948, in the City of Iloilo; alicant exhibited to me his Reg. Cert. No. A 211830, issued at the City of Iloilo, April 11, 1940.



Notary Public-Until Dec 31, 1948

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Iloilo City
October 10, 1945

ACTIVITIES OF M/S "EXPLORADOR"

I, HIPOLITO ATIHADO, of my own free will and accord hereby state and declare:

That I was 2nd Engineer of the Motor Vessel "EXPLORADOR" belonging to the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY;

That the said vessel was commandeered by the USAFFE on January 9, 1942;

That the USAFFE had used the M/S "EXPLORADOR" for patrol service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island, the principal sector being the waters from Iloilo Harbor to Base Point, Antique;

That we got our orders from Lt. Tenders Clarin who was personally aboard, although we were under the supervision of the then Major Alcala of the USAFFE;

That I served continuously from the date the M/S "EXPLORADOR" was commandeered on January 9, 1942 to April 16, 1942 when the Japanese landed in Panay; and the M/S "EXPLORADOR" scuttled near Ming-ao, Iloilo to prevent capture by the enemy.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I set my hand in the City of Iloilo this 10th day of October, 1945.

H. Atihado
HIPOLITO ATIHADO

Witness:

Placido Alagde
Placido Alagde
CHIEF ENGINEER
M/S "EXPLORADOR"

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City of Iloilo
October 16, 1945

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. MARCELITO ATINADO was employed by the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION CO. as 2nd ENGINEER of its motor vessel, "EXPLORADOR" which was commandeered by the USAFFE on January 9, 1942.

The USAFFE retained all personnel aboard both deck and engine departments.

VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION CO.

By:


A. H. TAYLOR
Manager

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK
FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (100-100000)
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
RE: [REDACTED]

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Hipolito Atinade was the 2nd Engineer of the M/S Explorador when it was commissioned into the service of the USAFFE under the Off-Shore Patrol V - 27 at the port of the City of Iloilo on January 9, 1942.

He continued rendering service as such 2nd Engineer of the said vessel up to the date of the Japanese invasion of Pasay on April 16, 1942.

TC
TEODORO CLARIN
1st Lieut., Infantry
Formerly OC of M/S. EXPLORADOR

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City of Iloilo, Philippines
October 15, 1945

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Benito Belibed was employed by the VISAYAN STEVE ORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY as a sailor of its motor vessel Explorador which had been commandeered by the USAFFE on January 9, 1942.

The USAFFE retained all personnel aboard both deck and engine departments.

VISAYAN STEVE ORE TRANSPORTATION CO.

By.

A. H. Taylor
A. H. TAYLOR
Manager

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City of Iloilo, Philippines
October 15, 1945

ACTIVITIES OF M/S. EXPLORADOR

I, BENITO BALIBAD, of my own free will and accord, hereby state:

That I was the sailor of the motor vessel Explorador belonging to the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY;

That the said vessel was commandeered by the USAFFE on the 9th day of January, 1942;

That the USAFFE had used the Explorador for patrol service. We patrolled the waters of Pancy Island, the principal sector being the waters of Iloilo Harbor to Naso Point, Antique;

That we got our orders from Lt. Teodoro Clarin, who was personally aboard, although we were under the supervision of the then Major Alcala of the USAFFE;;

That I have served continuously from the date of commandeering (January 9, 1942) to April 16, 1942, when the Japanese landed in Iloilo, and the Explorador was scuttled near Miagao to prevent its use by the enemy.

IN TESTIMONY OF THE ABOVE STATEMENT, I hereby set my signature in the City of Iloilo, this 15th of October, 1945.

Benito Valibad
BENITO BALIBAD
Sailor

Attested:

R. Ellab
RUFINO ELLAB
Captain, M/S Explorador

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A F F I D A V I T

I, BENITO BALIBAD, of age, married, Filipino, and a resident of the City of Iloilo, Philippines, after being duly sworn in accordance with law, depose and say:

That I was a sailor aboard the M/S Explorador of the VISTCO when the said vessel was turned over under the command of the Philippine Constabulary, USAFFE, on the 9th day of January, 1942, including the officers and crew of the ship. The boat while under army service was used principally for patrol service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island, especially during the night time.

That I was receiving the salary of P18.00 a month as sailor aboard the M/S Explorador.

That we were under the direct supervision of the then Major Alcala, although we got our orders ~~from Lt. Teodoro Clarin~~ from Lt. Teodoro Clarin who was always on board. We stopped rendering service to the USAFFE when the Japanese landed in Panay on April 16, 1942.

The M/S Explorador was commissioned by the USAFFE exclusively for patrol service. We had on board soldiers under the command of Lt. T. Clarin. We patrolled the waters south of Panay, especially the waters of Iloilo harbor to Naso Point, Antique. When the Japanese landed in Panay, we were off the coast of Miag-ao. We had no other alternative but aground the ship in order to prevent its use by the enemy.

That my official papers pertinent to my services as sailor of the M/S Explorador were lost during this war, that inspite of my diligent efforts in search to recover the same, nonw has been found up to the present time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand in the City of Iloilo, on the 15th day of October, 1945.

Benito Balibad
BENITO BALIBAD

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of October, 1945, in the City of Iloilo; affiant exhibited to me his Res. Cert. No. A 1624039, issued in Sibalom, Antique, on August 25, 1945.

Pascual P. Espinosa
PASCUAL P. ESPINOSA
Notary Public
Until December 31, 1946

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13 Sept., 1945

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. BENITO BALIDAD was a crew of the M/S EXPLORADOR, when it was commissioned into the service of the USAFFE, under the Off-Shore Patrol V-27, at the port of Iloilo, on January 9, 1942.

He continued rendering service as a marine of the said vessel up to the date of the Japanese invasion of Panay on April 16, 1942.

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TEODORO CLARIN
1st Lieut. Infantry
Formerly, OC of M/S EXPLORADOR

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the crew of the M/S BRIGADON, when it was commissioned into the service of the United States Coast Guard, at the port of Manila, on January 9, 1943.

He continued rendering service as a marine of the 1st Marine Division of the United States Marine Corps until April 18, 1943.

PROFESSOR CLARENCE
1st Lieut. Infantry
M/S BRIGADON

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Iloilo City, Philippines
October 12, 1945

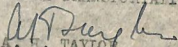
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. CHRISOSTOMO ROTOR was employed by the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY as SAILOR of its motor vessel, "EXPLORADOR" which had been commandeered by the USAFFE on January 9, 1942.

The USAFFE retained all personnel aboard both deck and engine departments.

VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION CO.

By:


A. H. TAYLOR
Manager

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13 Sept. '45

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. CRISOSTOMO ROTOR was a ~~SEAMAN~~ of the M/S EXPLORADOR, when it was commissioned into the service of the USAFFE, under the Off-Shore Patrol V - 27, at the port of Iloilo, on January 9, 1942.

He continued rendering service as ~~SEAMAN~~ crew of the said vessel up to the date of the Japanese invasion of Panay on April 16, 1942.

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TEODORO CLARIN
1st Lieut., Infantry
Formerly, OC of M/S EXPLORADOR

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES
CITY OF ILOILO
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A F F I D A V I T

I, CRISOSTOMO ROTOR, of age, married, and a resident of the City of Iloilo, Philippines, after being duly sworn in accordance with law, depose and say:

That I have been a crew aboard the M/T Explorador, a vessel belonging to the Visayan Stevedore Transportation Co., since July, 1941; and that I was receiving a salary of ₱15.00 a month;

That on January 9, 1942, the M/T Explorador was taken by the U.S. Army, and assigned as an Off-Shore Patrol unit;

That I continued to serve as a member of the crew on the M/T Explorador until April 16, 1942, when she was abandoned off Miag-ao and subsequently sunk in order to avoid capture by the enemy;

That I have not received my salary for the month of April, 1942; and that I have neither received any sum as salary thereafter to date;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand in the City of Iloilo, this 27th day of August, 1945.

Crisostomo Rotor
(Sgd.) CRISOSTOMO ROTOR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of August, 1945, in the City of Iloilo; affiant exhibited to me his Res. Cert. No. A 1476065, issued in the City of Iloilo, on April 27, 1945.

(Sgd.) PASCUAL P. ESPINOSA
Notary Public

My Commission expires Dec. 31, 1946

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy from the duplicate in my records.

Pascual P. Espinosa
PASCUAL P. ESPINOSA

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A F F I D A V I T

I, JULIO SOLIMAN, of legal age, married, and resident of Iloilo City, Philippines, after having been duly sworn in the form prescribed by law, depose and say:

That I am the Cook in service of the M/S "EXPLORADOR" of the VISTCO, when the said vessel was turned over under the command of the Philippine Constabulary, USAFFE, on the 9th of January, 1942, including the officers and crew of the ship. The boat, when under Army service was used principally for patrol service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island especially during the night time.

that I was receiving a salary of \$18.00 a month as cook aboard the M/S Explorador.
That we were under the direct supervision of the then Major Alcala, although we got our orders from Lt. Teodoro Clarin, who was always on board. We stopped rendering service to the USAFFE when the Japanese landed in Panay on April 16, 1942.

That the M/S "EXPLORADOR" was commissioned by the USAFFE exclusively for patrol service. We have on board soldiers under the command of Lt. T. Clarin. We patrolled the waters south Panay, especially the waters from Iloilo harbor to Naco Pt., Antique. When the Japanese landed in Panay we were off the coast of Miagao. We had no other alternative but aground the ship and scuttle it to prevent its use to the enemy.

That my official papers pertinent to my services as Cook of the M/S "Explorador" were lost during this war, that despite my diligent efforts in search to recover same, it has not been found up to the present time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this affidavit in the City of Iloilo, this 8th day of October, 1945.

Julio Soliman
JULIO SOLIMAN
Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of October, 1945, in the City of Iloilo, Philippines; the affiant exhibited to me his residence certificate No. A 11476066 issued at the City of Iloilo, on September 10, 1945.

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC

Until December 31, 1946

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Iloilo City, Philippines
October 10, 1945

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Julio Soliman was employed by the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY as COOK of its Motor Vessel "EXPLORADOR" which had been commandeered by the USAFFE on the 9th of January, 1942.

That USAFFE retained all personnel aboard both ~~main~~ deck and engine departments.

VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION CO.

By:

A. H. Taylor
A. H. TAYLOR
Manager

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Iloilo City, Philippines
October 10, 1945

ACTIVITIES OF M/S "EXPLORADOR"

I, JULIO SOLIMAN, of my own free will and accord do hereby state:

That I was the Cook of the Motor Vessel "EXPLORADOR" belonging to the VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY;

That the said vessel had been commandeered by the USAFFE on the 9th of January, 1942;

That the USAFFE had used the "EXPLORADOR" for Patrol Service. We patrolled the southern waters of Panay Island, the principal sector being the water from Iloilo Harbor to Naso Pt. Antique;

That we get our orders from Lt. Teodoro Clarin, who was personally aboard, altho we were under the supervision of the then Major Alcalá of the USAFFE;

That I have served continuously from the date of commandeering (January 9, 1942) to 16th of April, 1942, when the Japanese landed Iloilo, and the "EXPLORADOR" was scuttled near Miagao to prevent its use by the enemy.

IN TESTIMONY of the above statement, I am signing my signature below.

Julio Soliman
JULIO SOLIMAN
Cook M/S "EXPLORADOR"

Attested by:

R. Ellab
RUFINO ELLAB
Captain M/S "EXPLORADOR"

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Liaison Office, Manila
October 10, 1948

NO. 71

"ACTIVITIES OF M/S 'EXPLORADOR'"

LULIO BOLINHA, of my own free will and accord
do hereby attest:

That I was the Cook of the Motor Vessel "EXPLORADOR"
belonging to the NIKAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY;

That the said vessel had been commandeered by the
USAF on the 9th of January, 1948;

That the vessel had used the "EXPLORADOR" for patrol
service. We patrolled the southern waters of Manila Island,
the principal sector being the water from Manila Harbor
to Nasir Bay, Mindanao;

That we got our orders from Lt. Theodore Clarin, who
was personally aboard, while we were under the supervision
of the then Major Alicia of the USAF;

That I have served
commander (January 9, 1948), when
the Japanese landed in
occupied near Misamis
by the enemy.

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IN TESTIMONY of the above statement, I am signing
my signature below.

LULIO BOLINHA
Cook M/S "EXPLORADOR"

Witnessed by:

ROBERTO...
M/S "EXPLORADOR"

13 Sept. 45

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. JULIO SOLIMAN was a cook of the M/S EXPLORADOR, when it was commissioned into the service of the USAFEE, under the Off-Shore Patrol V - 27, at the port of Ilollo, on January 9, 1942.

He continued rendering service as a cook of the said vessel up to the date of the Japanese invasion of Panay on April 16, 1942.

TEODORO CLARIN
1st Lieut., Infantry
Formerly, CO of M/S EXPLORADOR

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M/T "Explorador"

Requisitioned date:

Ordered by - *Picayon Mendez* from C.

Entered govt service: "No exact date"

Place:

Scratched date.

Place: *Tigbauan*

Crew

NAME	Position	Rate of Pay	Date of Serv.
<i>Rufino Eddel</i>	<i>Captain</i>	<i>4/10. - 1/11</i>	
<i>Celedonio Madalena</i>	<i>Ch. Officer</i>	<i>80. -</i>	
<i>Rosalis Francis</i>	<i>Radio Operator</i>	<i>10. -</i>	
<i>Placido Alayde</i>	<i>Ch. Engr.</i>	<i>100. -</i>	
<i>Hipolito Alimada</i>	<i>2nd Engr.</i>	<i>80. -</i>	
<i>Julian Rozata</i>	<i>3rd Engr.</i>	<i>70. -</i>	
<i>Juanito dela Cruz</i>	<i>Act.</i>	<i>20. -</i>	
<i>Mano Libran</i>	<i>Act.</i>	<i>18. -</i>	
<i>Pangino Infante</i>	<i>A. M.</i>	<i>18. -</i>	
<i>Julio Alimada</i>	<i>Cook</i>	<i>18. -</i>	
<i>Juanito Validad</i>	<i>Sailor</i>	<i>15. -</i>	
<i>Jayone M. Aguirre</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>15. -</i>	
<i>Enriquez Palar</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>15. -</i>	

Remarks: *Info from HTS Miss. Info Folder #1*
Off. of R. M. Eddel. dtd. 18 Nov. 65

Madala, Cledon

M/T "Explorer"

Entered gov's service:

Date last paid:

Chief Officer

Place:

Discharge:

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Francis, Rosalind

M/T "Explorador"

Date entered gov't service:

Date last Paid:

Radio Operator

Place:

By whom:

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Magde, Claude

M/T "Explorator"

Date entered gov't service:

Date last paid:

Chief Engineer

Place:

By whom:

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Atkins, Hipdits

2nd Engineer

19/7 "Explorator"

Date entered govt service:

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Legato, Julian

2nd Engineer

M/T Explorator

Date entered gov't service

Place

Date last Paid

By whom:

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Pina, Josito dela

Pina

M/7 "Explorador"

Accts entered govt service:

Place

Date last paid:

By whom

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Libson, Mario

Quartermaster

M/T Explorator

Date entered service:

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Notable, Pacific

Quaternary

MT Explorer

Date entered quit service:

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Salimov, Julius

Coop

M/T "Explorator"

Date entered gov't service

Place

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Validad, Juanito

Sailor

M/T Explorador

Date entered gov't service:

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Maglayan, Jayme

Sailor

M/T Explorator

Date entered gov't service:

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Rotor, Crinatom

Sailor

M/T Explorator

Date entered gov't service :

Place :

Date last paid :

By whom :

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Authority *AWD 59307P*

W/TUG EXP-LORADOR

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Authority *AWD 88307P*