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SEE: MPRC DECIMAL FILE AGRC-E 321 Phil Army

(Also see AGRC-E 314 Phil Records)

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

FOR: Corres pertaining to the processing of inquiries relative to arrears in pay of Philippine Army and Philippine Guerilla personnel that are being received in the Recovered Personnel Records Sec, MPRC

SEE: D/P, Comment No. 2, dtd 3 Dec 53, subj: Philippines Arrears in Pay Program with prior corres and background material.

FILED: Project "J" Cases

FILE: ✓ Philippine Army
Philippine Guerillas
Enl Pers Pay
Finance Center, US Army

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

FOR: Correspondence re Determinations or Findings of Death
Philippine Army cases as made under Missing Persons Act
in connection with VA claims

SEE: D/F Com 2 dtd 22 Oct 53 fr CO, MPRC to Chief, Compt Div, TAGO
thru Chief, Adm Svc Div, TAGO subject: Findings of Death,
Philippine Army Cases and
D/F dtd 1 Dec 1953 fr CO, MPRC to Chief, Compt Div, TAGO
thru Chief, Adm Svc Div, TAGO subject: Date of Determination
of Presumption of Death, Philippine Army Cases

FILED: Project "J" Cases

FILE: ✓ Philippine Army
Death in Service tab Det of Date
VA Form 3101, Instruc re Prep of
Missing Persons Act

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28 Sep 1953

SUBJECT: Furnishing Information On List Cases Involving
Whereabouts of Former Members of the USAFFE

part II, Office Regulations, TAGO, 13 June 1952, the question is submitted in accordance with paragraph 12c, part II, Office Regulations, TAGO, 13 June 1952, as to whether or not addresses of former Philippine Army and guerrilla personnel should be furnished in requests of this nature.

/s/ H. H. Newman
H. H. NEWMAN, Colonel, AGC
Commanding

AGCT-H (28 Sep 53)

SUBJECT: Furnishing Information on List Cases Involving Whereabouts
of Former Members of the USAFFE

TO: Chief, Admin Svc FROM: Chief, Compt DATE: 6 Oct 53 COMMENT NO. 2
Div, TAGO Div, TAGO Maj Hertzog/54488

Concur in recommendation contained in paragraph 3, Comment No. 1, as an exception to paragraph 12b(2), Part Two, Office Regulations, TAGO, 13 June 1952.

/s/ John W. Page, Lt Col, AGC
D. R. VAN SICKLER, Colonel, AGC
for Chief, Comptroller Div, TAGO

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TO: FROM DATE COMMENT NO. 3
CO, MPRC, TAGO Chief, Admin Svc Div 8 Oct 53 Mr. Belnap/71984
St. Louis 20, Mo.

Attention is invited to preceding comment.

/s/ for D. F. Raabe
BRUCE BASLEY, JR., Colonel, AGC
Chief, Admin Svc Div, TAGO

*Also filed -
Addresses furnished
Cpy filed w/MP#239 est 9ma-48*

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File - Philippine Army

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Furnishing Information On List Cases Involving
Whereabouts of Former Members of the USAFFE

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THRU: Chief, Adm Svcs Div, TAGO CO, Mil Pers Rec Cen, TAGO Mr. Wyrach/rc/688
Rm 1A 881, The Pentagon St. Louis 20, Mo. 28 Sep 1953

TO: Chief, Precedent & History Branch
Comptroller Division, TAGO

1. The Recovered Personnel Records Section of this Center has received several letters from individuals requesting the whereabouts of former members of the United States Army Forces in the Far East for the purpose of obtaining statements from those individuals to support claims for benefits from the United States Veterans Administration.
2. It was the policy of the former AGED to deny information in response to requests of this nature for the following reasons:
 - a. The addresses contained in the 201 files of Philippine Army and guerrilla personnel are, in most cases, noncurrent and the furnishing of such addresses would not be of material aid in locating such individuals.
 - b. The difficulty in positively identifying the subjects of such requests because of the similarity of names, lack of serial numbers, and lack of official records.
 - c. Statements obtained from individuals on events that occurred during WW II are of doubtful value because of the time that has elapsed since the events. Many of the statements are based on hearsay or sketchy knowledge.
 - d. If such information were furnished, it was believed that the volume of such requests would seriously impede more essential operations.
3. In view of the foregoing, it is recommended that the policy formerly followed by AGED in requests of this nature be continued at MPRC in connection with Philippine Army and guerrilla personnel. It is believed that the number of such inquiries received of this nature would impede more essential operations if information would be furnished on such requests. It is not believed that the denial of such information would react to the disadvantage of the individual requesting the information, or be injurious to the public interest, because of the reasons outlined in paragraph 2 above.
4. In view of the apparent conflict between the policy outlined in paragraph 2 which is being followed in this Center, and the provisions of paragraph 12 (2),

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SUBJECT: Military Services, Philippine Army Personnel

/s/ RBE

~~THRU Chief, Adm-Svc-Div, TAGO~~

FROM Chief, Compt Div, TAGO

DATE 23 Sep 53 COMMENT NO. 2

Mr Guthrie/ht/73658

TO CO, Mil Pers Rec Cen, TAGO
4300 Goodfellow Blvd
St. Louis 20, Missouri

The policies presently being followed in this instance will be continued. In this connection, attached as Inclosure 3 is copy of letter to the Veterans Administration dated 22 September 1953.

(Stamped) D. R. VAN SICKLER
Colonel, AGC
Chief, Comptroller Division, AGO
D. R. VAN SICKLER, Colonel, AGC
Chief, Comptroller Division, TAGO

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- 3. Cy of ltr to VA,
22 Sep 53

28 Sep 53

*Orig funded by Miss Boyle
to Col. Lundquist, OIC, Per Pers Review*

*Also filed - Project J. Cases
- VA Form 3151 Incident & Pay &
- Casualties*

File Philippine Army

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//THRU: Chief, Adm Svc Div
TAGO
Room 1A 881, The Pentagon

Military Service, Philippine Army Personnel
CO, Mil Pers Rec Cen, TAGO

St. Louis 20, Mo. 3 Sep 1953 Maj Johnson/eg/672

TO: Chief, Comptroller Div, TAGO

1. Attached is letter dated July 23, 1953 from Veterans Administration addressed to General Bergin, and which was referred to representatives of MPRC for comment, during conferences held in Washington 28-29 July 1953.

2. According to the policies established by antecedent headquarters and commands of the former AGRD (now HPRS of this Center) and which are still in effect by direction of TAG, the determination of a period of missing or POW immediately following a no casualty status period is proper. This office works on the premise that once a person was inducted into the USAFFE or enlisted in the Philippine Scouts or AUS, that person had service until separated after return to Military control or death, whichever is applicable. Any status determined during the interim is for pay purposes only. In the case of the status "MCS" this does not constitute relief from active service as construed by the Veterans Administration. All such periods are determined under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act, Staff Memorandum No. 14, Hq, AFMESPAC, dated 27 December 1945, which is an interpretation of the act and War Department Plan as amended. During the 1950 conference which was attended by representatives of the VA and Army, it was indicated by Mr. Barr, spokesman for the VA, that the interpretations of "in service" (as between the Army and VA) were irreconcilable. The Army has continued to make determinations and so certify to the VA, based on its own interpretations of what "active" or "in service" is.

3. In making determinations, this office considers that at any time during the period of Japanese Occupation, a properly inducted person who may be pursuing a normal mode of living, is in a no casualty status. If this person is apprehended by the Japanese due to his military identity or his anti-Japanese activities (unrecognized guerrilla service) that person enters into a casualty status such as "POW" or "missing" the latter usually ending in a finding of death under Section V of the MPA.

a. The adjudication policy of this office, of which the Veterans Administration has a copy, is quoted in part:

Section XI - POW Status

"An individual will be determined to be in a POW status and entitled to pay during periods when he was held under physical restraint * * * by the Japanese or their controlled agencies by reason of his previous military status or suspected anti-Japanese activities. The status of an individual immediately prior to his capture and detention by the Japanese of their agencies is not necessarily the determining factor in deciding whether or not he was a POW.

b. Section XII - Missing Status

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"Missing Status is the period during which an individual is determined to be in a casualty status with entitlement to pay during enemy occupation other than while a POW or a Recognized Guerrilla. The following are considered in a Missing Status:

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Period of Illness: A person will be determined to be in a Missing Status with entitlement to pay during periods of service-connected illness provided that such illness seriously impaired the earning power of the individual and caused deprivation and hardship to an extent greater than that generally suffered by the other residents incident to the Japanese occupation. It is realized that this determination will be very difficult to make in most cases. It can be assumed that such illnesses as Dysentery, Beri-Beri, Malaria, and Malnutrition are service-connected. Where a soldier died of any of these diseases within six months after escape from Bataan or after release or escape from the Concentration Camp, he may, lacking evidence to the contrary, be presumed to have been ill with that disease from the time of escape or release until his death. In all cases, the fact of such illness must be established by affidavit of the attending physician or by statement of an established medical institution. However, where an individual was treated in a military hospital, he will be determined to be in a Missing Status with entitlement to pay during the period of hospitalization, unless there is evidence showing that illness was not service-connected.

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(USAFFE or Philippine Scout Personnel)

Unrecognized Guerrilla Activities - A person will be determined to be in a Missing Status and entitled to pay during periods of unrecognized active guerrilla service or active participation in the Anti-Japanese movement. Guerrilla service will be proven by affidavits or certificates of the guerrilla unit commander or any two members, preferably commissioned officers, belonging to the same unit who will identify themselves as such in the affidavits or certificates, and state the periods of active service and a general description of the duties performed. Credit will not be given for guerrilla service of a person who claimed to be an agent of the guerrillas when such claim is merely based on the fact that he provided a meager amount of information to another authentic agent. In order to claim service as an agent of a guerrilla unit, it must be clearly shown that the person was duly appointed as an agent and ordered by competent authority to perform these duties.

Spy Status - USAFFE-Guerrilla personnel who were employed by the Japanese or Japanese-controlled agency in any capacity other than as Prisoners of War will be determined to be in a Missing Status and entitled to pay for the entire period of employment if satisfactory evidence is presented in the form of affidavits that they were "planted" as spies in that agency for the purpose of gathering and

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furnishing their guerrilla unit with information of military importance and that they had complied with instructions of their superior officers. Such affidavits, in order to be accepted as proof, should be executed by their guerrilla commanders who must be at least a Battalion or similar unit commander. Units similar to a battalion are squadrons, separate companies, separate troops, separate batteries, or separate detachments. The affiants must describe themselves in the affidavit as the individual's battalion or similar unit, or higher commander. In order to establish spy status it is essential that the claimant was a member of a guerrilla unit under the command of the officer who executed the above-described affidavit before he was "planted". In the event an arrears in pay determination which does not comply with this requirement has been made in the case, it will be referred to the Chief, Veterans Branch for decision.

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Confinement by Guerrilla Unit - A person who was held in confinement or under physical restraint by a guerrilla unit will be determined in a Missing Status and entitled to pay for the period of confinement, provided he was released and was not tried by Court Martial, or if tried by Court Martial, he was not convicted. If the individual was killed or executed without trial, the case will be decided on its merits, taking into account the cause or causes of the confinement."

4. In the preparation of the certification of USAFFE and Recognized Guerrilla Personnel to the Veterans Administration, MPRC Form 1-632 is completed and contains detailed information as to veteran's service. Paragraph 4 of that form requires the breakdown of the veteran's military history including all periods of no casualty status. Where there is a period of HGS, Missing or POW indicated in paragraph 4, such an entry is subsequently amplified in paragraph 5, 6 or 7 respectively. The reasons for such a status is indicated but no basis for the determination is indicated or enclosed with the report except in the case of POW. In the case of Philippine Scout Personnel, the format of determinations is different. The findings are listed without the benefit of a printed form and do not, in all cases, contain a statement explaining the status which would enable the VA to make a determination of eligibility under their regulations. It is not felt that this office should be required to justify the determinations made. Section 9 of the Missing Persons Act stipulates that the head of department concerned or such subordinates as may designate shall have authority to make all determinations necessary in the administration of the Act and that such determinations are conclusive.

5. It is believed that this office is following sound practices in its adjudication and subsequent reporting to the Veterans Administration. The composition of MPRC Form 1-632 (formerly AGED Form 32) was agreed upon by members of the Army and the VA and no misunderstanding should exist as to its meaning in part of whole.

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6. This office will enter whatever statements are necessary to assist the VA in determining the status of an individual; however, it is not believed that an additional entry is necessary as the Form 1-632 is self-explanatory. To add an unnecessary statement to the Form will cause additional administration and under the present pressures of imposed deadlines, is not warranted. Further, a statement under paragraph 5 or 6 of the Form should be sufficient and it is recommended that this office not be required to furnish the basis for the determination. Instructions have been issued to the Project J Unit to include in all future determinations, a statement to clarify the casualty status period which is preceded by a no casualty status period.

7. In order that this office will be consistent with the policies of The Adjutant General, it is requested that a determination be made as to whether there will be any change in the policies presently being followed in this instance.

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1. Ltr fr VA dtd 23 Jul 53
2. MPRC Form 1-632

/s/ H. H. Newman
H. H. NEWMAN, Colonel, AGC
Commanding

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Office of Assistant Administrator

JUL 23, 1953

In reply refer to: 36

Maj. Gen. Wm E. Bergin
The Adjutant General
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Bergin:

The Veterans Administration has been experiencing difficulty in securing complete information from the Recovered Personnel Section, Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri, necessary to a determination of certain Philippine veterans' periods of active service.

The specific point involved is with reference to periods designated by the Department of the Army as a "Missing in action" status. The Veterans Administration is accepting such periods of missing in action as active service as it is presumed that the veteran must have been in active duty at the time of induction. However, in those cases where the missing in action period is preceded by a no casualty status, with no explanation by the Service Department, such service would be considered as not active service, in the absence of a determination that during such period the veteran was engaged in recognized guerrilla service, service under a recognized officer, or a factual recitation that the veteran was in active service with his unit. It will be appreciated that a bare statement as to the period of missing in action status leaves the Veterans Administration without a sufficient basis to determine whether such a period was active service for the purposes of eligibility for Veterans Administration benefits.

Two cases pending in this office are cited as specific examples of the problem involved.

In the case of BOLHAYON, Dengeg, C-12-156-017, Service Number 6 613 141, claim for compensation was executed June 13, 1952 based on wounds allegedly incurred in active service April 12, 1945. It is noted that the critical period March 1, 1945 to October 14, 1945 was determined as "Missing in action" status, with an affidavit of the veteran included in the VA Forms 3101 accomplished August 25, 1952 and November 20, 1952 as the basis for the "missing in action" period determination.

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Maj. Gen. Wm E. Bergin

In the case of PIEDAD, Enrique T, C-12-147-687, Service Number 10 303 106, claim for compensation was executed March 5, 1947, based on wounds allegedly incurred on active duty November 2, 1944. VA Form 3101 completed December 12, 1949 included information that for the period of October 1, 1942 to April 23, 1945 the veteran was not in a casualty status and that the service was not performed under a recognized commissioned officer. However, in a letter dated January 20, 1953, from DFRB, it was stated that it was redetermined by Headquarters, Philippines Command that the veteran was in a "no casualty status" from July 29, 1942 through September 30, 1944 and thence directly into a "Missing in action" status from October 1, 1944 through April 20, 1945. Attention was also invited to an affidavit of Ladislao F. Joya, Lt. Col., a recognized member of ERMI Regiment.

The Recovered Personnel Section, Military Personnel Records Center, AGO, St. Louis, Missouri, in many instances, furnishes no information as to the basis for the "missing in action" determination; in other cases, gives a general statement or furnishes copies of affidavits that were used as the basis for their determination.

In order to provide the Veterans Administration with a sufficient basis upon which to establish eligibility for Veterans Administration benefits, it is requested that a definite certification be furnished this office placing the veteran in one of the following categories:

- a. "Recognized Guerrilla service"
- b. "Unrecognized Guerrilla service under (name, rank and unit of recognized commissioned officer)"

In addition to the above certification, a statement is requested as to the basis for the Department of the Army determination.

It will be appreciated if such information is furnished the Veterans Administration in all cases of Philippine veterans where changes of status of this nature are involved.

Very truly yours,

/s/ C. L. Curtiss

G. L. CURTISS

Assistant Administrator for
Contact and Administrative Services

AGGM

22 September 1953

Mr. I. R. Hoerner
Director, Office Methods Service
Office of the Acting Assistant
Administrator for Administration
Veterans Administration
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoerner:

This is in reply to your letter of 23 July 1953, file reference 3G, regarding the furnishing of information on Philippine veterans to the Veterans Administration.

Attached as Inclosure 1 is an extract of the policy of this office utilized in making determinations of "POW Status" and "Missing Status." Copies of the complete policy have been furnished the Veterans Administration previously.

It appears that the primary difficulty being experienced by the Veterans Administration involves those cases in which an individual is placed in a "Casualty Status" when such status is immediately preceded by a "No Casualty Status." In order to facilitate the processing of such cases by your agency a statement will be furnished in future cases to clarify the "No Casualty Status" period immediately preceding the period of "Casualty Status."

A copy of MPRG Form 1-632 (formerly AGRD Form 32) is attached as Inclosure 2. This form has been developed over a period of years by representatives of our respective agencies. It provides a very detailed history of an individual's service. The information requested in paragraphs "a" and "b" of the letter part of your letter is currently furnished on that form. In the event such data is not received by the Veterans Administration in individual cases, it would be appreciated if those cases were called to the attention of the Commanding Officer, Military Personnel Records Center, in order that corrective action may be taken.

The furnishing to the Veterans Administration of the "basis" for determinations made regarding Filipino personnel would substantially increase the already heavy workload at the Military Personnel Records

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Mr. I. R. Hoener

Center. At a number of conferences during the past few years, representatives of the Veterans Administration have stated that determinations of service made by the Department of the Army would not be questioned unless reliable information was available which might serve as a basis for redetermination. It was agreed that in such instances the information would be furnished to this Department for consideration. It is believed that the continuation of this practice will be mutually beneficial to our respective agencies.

I trust that the above arrangements are satisfactory.

Sincerely yours,

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1. Extract of policy
2. MFRG Form 1-682

WOL. E. BERGIN
Major General, USA
The Adjutant General

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1	NAME OR TITLE <i>Col. Lindquist</i>	INITIALS <i>ML</i>	CIRCULATE
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REMARKS
 I recall a discussion w/ Mr. McLeod about this during his visit here last week, however, my impression was that he wanted she did not think it worth while to take up the matter further - what was your reaction?
 my reaction was the same. Recommend no action be taken.

(cau)

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FROM NAME OR TITLE <i>ML</i>	DATE <i>8 June</i>
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DATE *3 Jun 53* COMMENT NO. 1

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FILE NO. AGRC-R	SUBJECT Records in Custody of Philippine Army
TO Commanding Officer Mil Pers Rec Cen Bldg 203	FROM Officer in Charge Recov Pers Rec Sec Bldg 102
DATE 3 Jun 53	COMMENT NO. 1

1. Until receipt of the attached letter this headquarters was unaware that there was in the custody of the Philippine Army a mass of indexed medical records. It was known that the Philippine Army had in a warehouse at Camp Murphy, Quezon City, P.I., a large quantity of records of all types pertaining to Filipino veterans from 1942 to 1952 in a highly unsearchable condition.
2. In addition there was a relatively small quantity of personnel records which were being and it is believed are still being processed to be placed in a more searchable condition. This project is under the supervision of Capt Lucas, P.A. Adjutant General Service, who has a few personnel assigned for the purpose of accomplishing this mission. It is believed that this project was begun in 1950.
3. Certain personnel of the former Adjutant General Records Depository, U.S.A., had access to these records, and in individual cases made search when required, to complete certification to the Manila Regional Office, V.A. or for the purpose of answering inquiries.
4. In addition to two locally hired Filipinos who were AGRD liaison personnel with the Philippine Army for the purpose of obtaining records or information therefrom in individual cases, the Commanding Officer of AGRD on at least two different occasions, in the fall of 1951 and August 1952 sent American representatives to HQ Philippine Army to obtain records and/or information therefrom. Reasons for these two visits was for purpose of determining what records the P.A. had and also to comply with directive of Department of Army to complete history of 14th Infantry, PA.
5. After the latter visit, AGRD representatives, Lt James F. Miller and Messrs Schwanaker and Frank reported that the records were piled in bundles as received, either in file drawers or on top of file cabinets as received. In one instance a bundle of records pertaining to the 19th Battalion Combat Team, P.A. just returned from Korea, were found in a drawer with other much older records material.
6. If the indexed medical records referred to in attached letter were in existence at time AGRD was still in the Philippines their existence in a searchable condition was not known to AGRD, or they have been indexed since AGRD's transfer to the Zone of the Interior.
7. It would be interesting to know what is meant by a "mass" of records, and just what the definition of "indexed" is. In any event it is believed improbable that the Philippine Army would release these records to MPRC in view of the fact

*also filed - Medical Records**Philippine Army*

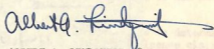
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that Gen Duque, Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of the Philippines, as recently as 31 Jan 1953 wrote the Dept of the Army (US) requesting that the records not leave the Philippines. As a matter of record however, it is recommended that the attached letter be sent to C/S P.A. in an endeavor to obtain Philippine reaction.

8. Until such time as it is possible for MPRC to obtain access to these records either in the form of the originals themselves, or their loan, for the purpose of microfilming, and return to the Philippine Army, it is recommended that M.R.C., V.A. obtain these records or information therefrom direct from the Philippine Army, or from such other sources as are available in the Philippines, for example, V. Luna Hospital, Quezon City. P.I.



ALBERT A. LINDQUIST, Colonel, AGC
Officer in Charge

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1. Ltr fm VA, MRO
2. Ltr draft of suggested
reply to MRO ltr to C/S

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REMARKS
Col Lindquist - for comment.
Pls. see attached D/F.
(aa) 5 June 53. *27 May*

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Manila Regional Office
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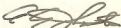
May 4, 1953

YOUR FILE REFERENCE:

IN REPLY REFER TO: 3058-8

TO: Commanding Officer
Military Personnel Records Center, AGO
4300 Goodfellow Blvd.
St. Louis, Missouri

1. During a recent visit of one of the Field Examiners of this Regional Office to the Records Depot of the Armed Forces of the Philippines at Camp Murphy, a mass of indexed medical records was brought to his attention.
2. A sample of these records was reviewed by this office to determine the nature of the records and to what extent they may influence claims previously filed with this Administration. It was found in the main they consisted of daily reports of sick soldiers admitted to the USAFPL North Luzon Base Hospital, Tagudin, Ilocos Sur, Philippines, during the latter part of 1945 and early part of 1946. There were also a number of clinical records of that hospital. The records were primarily of malaria and dysentery, however, some referred to gunshot wounds.
3. A check of these records against records of claims filed by veterans disclosed that in most cases no claim has been filed by veterans listed. In the other cases, other clinical or medical records had been previously furnished by AGHD covering the same disabilities and hospitalization which had been sufficient to make a favorable determination.
4. This information relative to the existence of these records is brought to your attention for any action you may deem to be indicated.


E. E. JOHNSTON
Adjudication Officer

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Chief of Staff
Armed Forces of the Philippines
Camp Murphy
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This office has received information from the United States Veteran's Administration, Manila Regional Office, to the effect that there exists in the Records Depot of the Armed Forces of the Philippines at Camp Murphy, a group of indexed medical records pertaining to daily reports of sick soldiers admitted to the North Luzon Base Hospital, USAFIL, Tugadin, Ilocos Sur, that cover the period of 1945 and early 1946.

The special nature and value of these records to the individual veteran in securing a favorable determination for disability benefits, and death benefits to the next of kin from the U. S. Veterans Administration warrant their inclusion into the official records pertaining to military personnel who served with the Armed Forces of the US.

It is therefore requested that favorable consideration be given to the transfer of these records to the Military Personnel Records Center at St. Louis, Missouri.

It is hoped that the policy of the United States Government to consolidate all records pertaining to former military personnel into a central agency for ready reference and for use in certifying service data and medical information to appropriate authorities will continue to enjoy the success of the past years.

Sincerely yours,

WM. E. BERGIN
Major General, USA
The Adjutant General

DISPOSITION FORM

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Authority NSA D 883078

FILE NO. AGRC-R	SUBJECT Requests for Philippine Army Records
TO Chief, Adm Svc Div, TAGO Rm 1A 881, The Pentagon	FROM CO, Mil Pers Rec Cen, TAGO St. Louis 20, Mo.
DATE 27 MAY 1953	COMMENT NO. 1 Col Lindquist/692

1. Reference is made to the attached Disposition Forms and Tracers (Incls 1 to 4) from Personnel Actions Branch requesting the Philippine Army Files of Bonifacio Capuyan and Eutiquiano F. Camarillo.

2. These requests are being forwarded without action, in view of Comment 2, dated 15 Apr 53, and Comment 1, dated 15 Apr 53, copies attached, (Incls 5 and 6), regarding a similar request.

3. In view of the foregoing, it is requested that Personnel Actions Branch be advised that pertinent information from the records of these individuals will be furnished upon receipt of requests therefor, or that the cases should be forwarded to this Center for necessary action.

6 Incls

/s/ H. H. Newman
H. H. NEWMAN, Colonel, AGC
Commanding

1. DF 11 Mar 53, Capuyan
2. Tracer 13 May 53, Capuyan w/incl
3. DF 11 Mar 53, Camarillo
4. Tracer 13 May 53, Camarillo w/incl
5. Copy Comment 2, 15 Apr 53
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Philippine Army

AGRC-R

Release of Information from Philippine Records

Chief, Adm Svc Div, TAGO
Rm 1A 881, The PentagonCO, Mil Pers Rec Cen, TAGO
St. Louis 20, Mo.

15 April 1953

Col Lindquist/692

1. In connection with the transfer of records from AGRD, Philippines to this Center, a request has recently been received from Personnel Actions Branch requesting the loan of the records of a Philippine Army Veteran in connection with a case being processed by that Branch.

2. Reply to the request mentioned in paragraph 1 was forwarded to your office this date, by comment 2, copy inclosed, giving reasons why it was not believed desirable to forward the file requested.

3. In addition, it is not considered practicable to release any file from the records transferred from AGRD in view of the high priority of studies and determinations now being conducted for the Department of the Army and other Government agencies requiring information from these records.

4. In view of the foregoing, it is recommended that a directive be issued to branches of the TAGO located in Washington, and other offices authorized to request records, that any inquiries received requiring information from the former AGRD files be forwarded to this Center for action, or that written requests be made for specific information necessary in the processing of cases that must be handled by other offices.

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H. H. NEWMAN, Colonel, AGC
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Chief, Adm Svc Div, TAGO
Rm 1A 881, The Pentagon

CO, Mil Pers Rec Gen, TAGO
St. Louis 20, Mo.

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AGPO-AD-C 201 Samson,
Servillano S., 170 252

Loyalty Status

Demob Pers Rec Br, AGO
4300 Goodfellow Blvd
St. Louis 20, Missouri

Pers Act Br
Pers Aff Sec
D & A Unit

4 March 1953
Lt Col Harvey/53769/obw

1. Information has been received in this office that all records of the Adjutant General's Records Depository, APO 928, were shipped to your branch.
2. Request the records of Servillano S. Samson, 170 252, be forwarded to this office.

FOR THE ACTING CHIEF, PERSONNEL ACTIONS BRANCH:

J. B. HARVEY, Lt Col, AGC
OIC, D & A Unit

AGRC-R

TO: Chief, Adm Svc Div, TAGO FROM: CG, Mil Pers Rec Cen, DATE: 15 APR 1953
Rm 1A 561, The Pentagon TAGO, St. Louis 20, Mo. Col Lindquist/692/

1. In view of the peculiarities inherent in documents contained in the former AGED records, it was the policy of that headquarters to furnish information only from the records and not to release the files. In addition, the necessity for maintaining an accurate control of all records, particularly in view of the sensitivity of many of them, required adherence to this policy.

2. It is not considered desirable for this Center to deviate from the above stated policy; however, pertinent information from the records will be furnished upon request when required in connection with the determination of eligibility for decorations or awards, providing the request is specific as to the information desired.

3. In view of the foregoing, it is requested that Personnel Actions Branch, Personal Affairs Section, D & A Unit be advised that pertinent information from the records of Servillano S. Samson, 170 252, will be furnished upon receipt of a request therefor, or that the inquiry be forwarded to this Center for necessary action.



H. H. Newman
Colonel, AGC

H. H. NEWMAN, Colonel, AGC
Commanding

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Release of Information from Philippine Records

Chief, Adm Svc Div, TAGO
Rm 1A 861, The Pentagon

CO, Mil Pers Rec Cen, TAGO 15 Apr 1953
St. Louis 20, Mo.

Col Lindquist/692

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J. B. HARVEY, Lt Col, AGC
OIC, D & A Unit

AGHC-R

TO: Chief, Adm Svc Div, TAGO FROM: CG, Mil Pers Rec Gen, DATE: 15 APR 1953 COMMENT NO. 2
Rm 1A 681, The Pentagon TAGO, St. Louis 20, Mo. Col Lindquist/692/
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H. H. Newman
Colonel, AGC

H. H. NEWMAN, Colonel, AGC
Commanding

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
Military Personnel Records Center
St. Louis 20, Missouri

19 May 1953

RECOVERED PERSONNEL RECORDS SECTION)

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM NO. 3)

PROCESSING VA FORMS 3101

When VA Forms 3101 are received in Project "J" Unit containing a request for, or indication of, prior service in the Philippine Army or guerrillas, the procedure outlined below will be followed, as applicable:

a. Original 3101 - Project "J" Unit will initiate a Disposition Form to VA Unit requesting a service certification on MPRC Form 1-632. VA Unit will prepare a service certification in triplicate and return two copies to Project "J" Unit for dispatch. VA Unit will not initiate a 3101 or make any entry on the Form 3101 series. The third copy of the Form 1-632 will be retained for file in the PA 201 file and will contain a remark substantially as follows:

"No 3101 initiated. This form transmitted as an inclosure to VA Form 3101, dated _____, pertaining to John Doe, 12 345 678, Philippine Scout."

Project "J" Unit will complete the 3101 making reference to the 1-632 on the 3101 under "Additional Information" and/or in the appropriate space on the other forms of the VA series.

b. Supplemental 3101 - The same procedure as outlined in a. above will be followed except that Project "J" Unit will complete items 1, 2 and 3 only of the 3101 showing both the Philippine Scout and Philippine Army serial numbers in item 3. Reference to the 1-632 will be made on the 3101 under "Additional Information". The statement regarding prior report will indicate the specific period covered by that report.

Distribution:

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Records
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/s/ Albert A. Lindquist
ALBERT A. LINDQUIST
Colonel, AGC
Chief of Section

744-Philippine Army

AGKC-R 313

Medical Records, Philippine Army and Guerrilla

Chief, DFRB, TAGO

CO, KCRC, TAGO

17 Sep 52

Mr. Gross/kka/3

1. Reference is made to attached copy of TWX from AGRD 8133d Army Unit, APO 928, dated 27 August 1952, forwarded for your information.

2. Since several paragraphs of cited inclosure relate to inquiries from your branch concerning Philippine personnel, information is requested as to whether AGRD is contacted when negative replies are received from this center.

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EDWIN M. CONNELL, Colonel, AGC
Commanding

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FORM-A-323

Medical Records, Philippine Army and Guerrilla

Chief, DTP, TAGO

CG, KONO, TAGO

17 Sep 52

Mr. Gross/xxx/3

1. Reference is made to attached copy of TWX from AGND 81336 Army Unit, dated 27 August 1952, forwarded for your information.

2. Since several paragraphs of cited inclosure relate to inquiries from your branch concerning Philippine personnel, information is requested as to whether AGND is contacted when negative replies are received from this center.

EDWIN M. CORWELL, Colonel, AGO
Commanding

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JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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FROM: CO, AGRD 8133D ARMY UNIT APO 928

27 Aug 52

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TO: CO KANSAS CITY RECORDS CENTER
KANSAS CITY, MO.

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AGRD-R 1359

1. REFERENCE MESSAGE AGKC-RO YOUR HEADQUARTERS DATED 13 AUGUST 1952 REQUESTING INFORMATION PERTAINING TO MEDICAL RECORDS.

2. THIS HEADQUARTERS HAS SOME CLINICAL RECORDS AND X-RAYS PERTAINING TO INDIVIDUALS OF THE PHILIPPINE ARMY AND GUERRILLAS.

3. ALL AVAILABLE MEDICAL RECORDS ARE FILED IN INDIVIDUAL 201 FILES, ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY, EXCEPT X-RAYS (APPROXIMATELY 2550) WHICH ARE FILED SEPARATELY AND CROSSED INDEXED TO PERTINENT 201 FILE.

4. SINCE THIS HEADQUARTERS HAS APPROXIMATELY 603,000 201 FILES ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY THE VOLUME OF MEDICAL RECORDS FILED IN THESE 201 FILES CANNOT BE DETERMINED WITHOUT A COMPLETE BREAKDOWN OF RECORDS.

5. MEDICAL RECORDS PERTAINING TO WAR DEPARTMENT CIVILIANS EMPLOYEES AND PHILIPPINE SCOUTS HAVE BEEN SHIPPED TO DEMOBILIZED PERSONNEL RECORDS BRANCH, ST. LOUIS 20, MISSOURI.

6. ON 8 FEBRUARY 1952 A PROJECT WAS INITIATED TO SCREEN ALL 201 FILES WITH A VIEW OF FORWARDING ALL 201 FILES IDENTIFIED AS NOT PERTAINING TO PHILIPPINE ARMY PERSONNEL AND/OR RECOGNIZED GUERRILLA TO THE APPROPRIATE RECORDS DEPOT. TO DATE A TOTAL OF 20,215 201 FILES HAVE BEEN SCREENED, AND OF THIS NUMBER 1,080 HAVE BEEN SHIPPED TO SUCH DEPOTS.

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/s/ Albert A. Lindquist
ALBERT A. LINDQUIST

Colonel AGC
Commanding

AGRD-R/AAL/mpm

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MALEY

5 September 1952

SUBJECT: Veterans Administration Requests

1. Reference is made to requests received from Veterans Administration, Regional Office, Manila, Philippine Islands (VA Form 3101, see 201's attached) for information pertaining to Philippine Army personnel. In these cases, search is made in personnel files of Personnel Records Section, Philippine Army and Temporary Medical file (Philippine) in this Section, Miscellaneous Records Section and Kansas City Records Center.

2. Survey of such cases during the period January to July 1952 shows the following:

	No Cases <u>Med Info found</u>	No. Cases <u>No Med Info found</u>	Total
a. Misc Rec Sec	11	1179	1190
b. KCRC	7	1020	1027

3. Instructions are requested as to whether the present procedure of searching these cases should be continued.

1 Incl
201 file

W. M. HAGER
Chief Clerk
WW II Corr Sec

22 September 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief Clerk, WW II Correspondence Section

1. In view of the data contained in your memorandum of 5 September 1952, it is desired that search of the WW II Personnel Records Section files, the Philippine Army and Temporary Medical File (Philippine), and requests for information or search of records in the Miscellaneous Records Section or the Kansas City Records Center be discontinued immediately on VA cases involving Philippine Army personnel.

2. A letter will be forwarded to the Manager, VA Regional Office, APO 928, c/o Postmaster San Francisco, California indicating the change in procedure and the reasons therefor. A copy of the letter should be furnished to the VA Liaison Officer for his files.

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1 Incl - KCRC
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- MRS

JOSEPH MALEY
Chief Clerk, DFRB
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File - Philippine Army

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. MALEY

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	No. Cases		Total
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a. Misc Rec Sec	11	11/9	11/90
b. KCRC	7	1020	1027

3. Instructions are requested as to whether the present procedure of searching these cases should be continued.

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 201 file

W. M. HAGER
 Chief Clerk
 WW II Corr Sec

22 September 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief Clerk, WW II Correspondence Section

1. In view of the data furnished in paragraph 2 above, it is desired that requests for search of records in the custody of the Kansas City Records Center or the Miscellaneous Records Section for information (or records) relative to VA cases involving Philippine Army personnel be discontinued immediately.

2. A letter will be forwarded to the Manager, VA Regional Office, APO 926, c/o Postmaster San Francisco, California indicating the change in procedure and the reasons therefor. A copy of the letter should be furnished to the VA Liaison Officer for his files.

JOSEPH MALEY

1 Incl
 n/c

22 Sep 52
 copy furnished: MRS.
 VA Liaison Officer
 Chief Clerk, DFRB

*also filed: VA Form 3101, Section
 KCRC; Misc Rec Section*

File - Philippine Army

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SUBJECT: Dual Status in Philippine Army and Philippine Scouts

TO: Chief, Comptroller Div, AGO FROM: Admin Svc Div, AGO DATE: 7 Jul 52 COMMENT NO. 2
 ATTN: Records Mgmt Sec Driscoll/52010

Comment is requested with reference to Comment No. 1.

3 Incls
n/c

/s/ S. Rubinton
for BRUCE EASLEY, JR., Colonel, AGC
Chief, Admin Svc Div, AGO

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THRU Chief, Admin Svc Div, AGO FROM Chief, Comp Div, AGO *DATE 28 JUL 1952* COMMENT NO. 3
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TO Chief, Demobilized Pers Rec Br, AGO
4300 Goodfellow Blvd
St. Louis 20, Missouri

With regard to the problem raised in preceding comment 1, the same Standing Operating Procedure that is currently being followed by the Adjutant General Records Depository, Manila, Philippine Islands, in service determinations on Philippine Army personnel should be utilized by Demobilized Personnel Records Branch. In the event Demobilized Personnel Records Branch does not have a copy, one should be obtained from the Adjutant General Records Depository. In order to assist the Adjutant General Records Depository in determining the exact Standing Operating Procedures and adjudication policies needed, it is recommended that the Adjutant General Records Depository be furnished pertinent portions of the data contained in Comment No. 1.

LEONIDAS GAVALAS, COL, AGC
Chief, Mgt Branch, AGO

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GARLEN R. BRYANT, Colonel, AGC
Deputy Chief, Comptroller Div, AGO



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DATE: 7 Jul 52

FROM: Admin Svc Div, AGO

TO: Chief, Comptroller Div, AGO
ATTN: Records Mgmt Sec

Comment is requested with reference to Comment No. 1.

Chief, Admin Svc Div, AGO
for BRUCE EASLEY, Jr., Colonel, AGO
/s/ S. Rubinton

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COMMENT NO. 3
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8 JUL 1952

THRU Chief, Svc Div, AGO FROM Chief, Comp Div, AGO

TO Chief, Demobilized Pers Rec Div, AGO
4800 Goodale Ave
St. Louis 20, Missouri

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LEONIDAS CAVALAS, COL, AGO
Chief, Mgt Branch, AGO
GARRETT M. BRYANT, Colonel, AGO
Deputy Chief, Comptroller Div, AGO

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D.P.R.B. AGO
St. Louis, Mo.
No. 3
30 JUL 1952

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AGDP-GC 201 Dela
Cuadro, Isaac Q, 10 308 274

Dual Status in Philippine Army and Philippine Scouts

Chief, Adm Svs Div, AGO
Rm 1A 881, The Pentagon

Chief, Demob Pers Rec Br,
AGO, St. Louis 20, Mo.

JUL 1952
Mr. Wyrsoh/rvs/778

1. This Branch is in receipt of a request from the Veterans Administration for the date of discharge of Isaac Q. Dela Cuadro, 10 308 274, subsequent to his return to military control.

2. The temporary service record (Tab A) of Isaac Q. Dela Cuadro, 10 308 274, shows that he was enlisted in the Philippine Scouts on 2 November 1941 and returned to military control on 18 February 1945. On 21 April 1945, it was determined by Headquarters, USAFFE, (Tab B) that his grades and status under the Missing Persons Act were as follows:

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Pvt	8 Dec 1941	25 Mar 1942
Cpl	26 Mar 1942	17 Feb 1945
<u>STATUS</u>		
Beleaguered	8 Dec 1941	8 Apr 1942
POW	9 Apr 1942	21 May 1942
MIA	22 May 1942	17 Feb 1945

On 8 April 1946, it was redetermined by Headquarters United States Army Forces, Western Pacific, (Tab C) that his grades and status under the Missing Persons Act were as follows:

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Pfc	1 Dec 1941	25 Mar 1942
Cpl	26 Mar 1942	17 Feb 1945
<u>STATUS</u>		
Duty	1 Dec 1941	7 Dec 1941
Beleaguered	8 Dec 1941	8 Apr 1942
POW	9 Apr 1942	21 May 1942
MIA	22 May 1942	15 Jun 1942
No status under MPA	16 Jun 1942	24 Sep 1942
MIA	25 Sep 1942	17 Feb 1945

3. Inasmuch as no record was found to show that the above named individual had been discharged from his enlistment of 2 November 1941 and since the evidence available was insufficient to determine the exact date of discharge, a request was forwarded to the Commanding Officer, Adjutant General Records Depository, on 22 October 1951 (Tab D) for any information available regarding his discharge. Reply dated

AGDP-GC 201 Dela Cuadro, Isaac Q, 10 308 274

SUBJECT: Dual Status in Philippine Army and Philippine Scouts

21 May 1952 received from Adjutant General Records Depository (Tab E) inclosed a report of investigation, a supplemental 201 file, and a Philippine Army 201 File which it was believed pertained to subject individual.

4. Examination of the report of investigation reveals that no record pertaining to subject's discharge from the Philippine Scouts could be found at the Adjutant General Records Depository or at Headquarters, Armed Forces of the Philippines, Camp Murphy. Subject individual was therefore contacted by a field investigator in an effort to obtain additional information regarding his service subsequent to return to military control and his discharge. In an affidavit completed on 2 April 1952 subject stated that he enlisted in the Philippine Scouts on 2 November 1941 and served until surrender on 9 April 1942 in Bataan, that he returned to military control on 18 April 1945, and was assigned as a driver in the Philippine Scouts Motor Pool at Camp Ollvas, Pampanga until his discharge on 18 November 1946. However, in conflict with this statement it was revealed during the investigation that subject individual received the following base pay and quarters allowance while a Second Lieutenant of the Armed Forces of the Philippines in the Service of the United States Army Forces:

<u>PERIOD COVERED</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1 - 31 December 1945	P330.00
1 - 28 February 1946	P330.00
1 - 20 March 1946	P212.00

A copy of Special Orders 64, Headquarters USAFIP Area Command, dated 19 March 1946 shows that he was relieved from active service of the Philippine Army 20 March 1946.

5. A copy of the payroll in subject's AG 201 file shows that he received arrears in pay as a Philippine Scout for the period covered under the Missing Persons Act as shown in the redetermination cited in paragraph 2. Examination of the Philippine Army file submitted by Adjutant General Records Depository with the investigation report shows that it was determined that Isaac D. Cuadro was a Second Lieutenant, Philippine Army with status as follows during the period 8 December 1941 to 15 February 1946:

<u>STATUS</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Beleaguered	8 Dec 1941	9 April 1942
No casualty status	10 Apr 1942	16 Nov 1942
MIA	17 Nov 1942	26 Feb 1945
No casualty status	27 Feb 1945	14 Feb 1946

6. In comparing the records and affidavits in this case, it is noted that many inconsistencies exist concerning subject's activities. For example, in his affidavit completed on 24 March 1945 in connection with Philippine Scout Status, he stated he joined the Philippine Scouts in November 1941; however, in his affidavit completed 15 February 1946 in connection with Philippine Army Status he stated he was inducted into the USAFFE in November 1941. It is also noted that the United States Army investigator, in his comments on the investigation, stated that the subject, when contacted, seemed vague and unresponsive and that he doubted the veracity of the subject.

7. From the foregoing it appears that Isaac Q. Dela Cuadro was granted status both as a Philippine Scout and as a member of the Philippine Army for the same period

AGDP-CC 201 Dela Cuadro, Isaac Q, 10 308 274
SUBJECT: Dual Status in Philippine Army and Philippine Scouts

of time from 1941 to 1946. In view of the inconsistencies of the affidavits, lack of any official record of enlistment in the Philippine Scouts, and records of payment to the individual as a member of the Philippine Army in 1945 and 1946, it is believed that his correct status is that of a member of the Philippine Army and that his status as a Philippine Scout was obtained by incorrect or fraudulent statements. It is, therefore, the opinion of this Branch that his status as a Philippine Scout should be revoked.

8. The Adjutant General Records Depository has recently forwarded a number of Philippine Army files which it was believed might pertain to individuals who had also been granted status as Philippine Scouts and Department of the Army civilian employees. Upon examination of these files, it was found that many of the individuals had been granted status as Philippine Scouts or civilian employees for identical periods in which status had been granted as Philippine Army. Inasmuch as these individuals have a dual status at the present time it appears that their correct status should be determined and that any other status covering an identical period should be revoked.

9. During a recent conference in Washington in connection with 14th Infantry, Mr. McCool, Comptroller Division, AGO, indicated that when Philippine Army records were forwarded to this Branch instructions would be issued regarding the procedure to be followed, together with information as to the criteria used in granting Philippine Army Status.

10. In view of the foregoing, it is requested that this Branch be advised as to the action that should be taken in the case of Isaac Q. Dela Cuadro and similar cases as mentioned in paragraph 8 where individuals were granted dual status for identical periods. If it is decided that this Branch should determine the individual's correct status, it is requested that complete information regarding criteria to be used in Philippine Army cases be furnished.

H. H. Newman
Colonel, AGO

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1. Service Record
2. 201 File
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H. H. NEWMAN, Colonel, AGO
Chief of Branch



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REMARKS

Copies of attached correspondence have been forwarded Mr. Spall, Special Corres Unit (for D & A) thru Miss Hager.

If not further action is required please return for circulating to Branch Headquarters to note.

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Authority *NND 883078*

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Replaces DA AGO Form 800, 1 Apr 48, and AFHQ Form 12, 10 Nov 47, which may be used.

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Infantryman Badge Pay

52 COMMENT NO. 5
Col Buie Hess/53769/Fbd

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Colonel, AGC
Executive Officer

Alton D. Snow, Lt. Col, AGC
Asst. Ex. Off., Adm Services Div, AGO

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SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay

TO Ch, Adm Svc Div, AGO

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Lt Col Bufile Mess/53769/Pbd

In view of the information contained in preceding Comment No. 4 all claims for additional pay for the award of the Combat Infantryman Badge should be referred to the General Accounting Office, Claims Division, Washington 25, D. C. for settlement.

FOR THE CHIEF, PERSONNEL BUREAU:

/s/ E. P. Grandell
E. P. GRANDPELL, Colonel, AGC
Chief, Personnel Actions Branch

5 Incls

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Incl 5 added

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TO:

Chief, Demobilized Personnel
Records Branch, AGO, Bldg. 105
4300 Goodfellow Boulevard
St. Louis 20, Missouri

FROM:

Adm Services Div, AGO

DATE:

28 Apr 52

COMMENT NO. 6

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Attention is invited to Comment No. 5.

FOR CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:

5 Incls.

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L. L. BOYD, Colonel, AGC
Executive Officer

Allen D. Snow, Lt. Col. AGC
Asst Ex Off, Adm Services Div, AGO

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AGHS-DB 200.6 (15 Feb 52) Combat Infantryman Badge Pay

Chief, Adm Svs Div, AGO
Rm 1A 881, The Pentagon

OO, Rec Adm Cen, AGO

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Lt Col Hoge/705

1. The Demobilized Personnel Records Branch has a number of inquiries concerning the eligibility of former members of the Philippine Army and Philippine Scouts for Combat Infantryman Badge pay. The inquiries pertain to personnel in the following categories whose badge orders do not include any information to indicate they were entitled to pay.

a. Former members of the Philippine Army and Philippine Scouts who acquired Army of the United States status as a result of their service with the 11th Infantry.

b. Former members of the Philippine Scouts who, upon completion of a Philippine Scout enlistment, were enlisted in the Army of the United States.

2. In connection with the above, the following information is furnished:

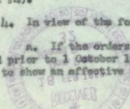
a. Data pertaining to pay was omitted in some badge orders for personnel referred to in subparagraph 1a, inasmuch as a definite policy had not been established in this matter. In this connection, attention is invited to the case of Alejandro G. Fontanilla, 10 626 026 (Incl #1), and the opinions of The Judge Advocate General dated 21 December 1949 (Incl #2) and 25 May 1950 (Incl #3).

b. Data pertaining to pay was omitted on Combat Infantryman Badge orders for personnel referred to in subparagraph 1b, since the badge was awarded for service during a Philippine Scout enlistment and, as such, additional compensation was not authorized. However, it is not known if such personnel are entitled to pay during a subsequent enlistment in the Army of the United States, since The Judge Advocate General's opinion of 25 May 1950 was expressed in response to a specific inquiry concerning members of the 11th Infantry only.

3. It is held by the General Accounting Office that an award of the Combat Infantryman Badge announced in orders dated on or after 1 October 1949 can confer no right to pay, even though an earlier date for pay purposes may be stated therein (Incl #4).

4. In view of the foregoing, information is requested as follows:

a. If the orders announcing the award of the Combat Infantryman Badge, dated prior to 1 October 1949, as referred to in Paragraph 2a, were amended at this time to show an effective date for pay, would such an amendment confer right to pay.



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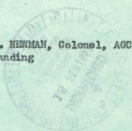
SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay

b. Whether personnel referred to in subparagraph 1b are entitled to additional compensation for the Combat Infantryman Badge while they were serving in an Army of the United States enlistment and, if so, should action be taken to amend orders in cases of this type.

4. Incls.

1. Cy ltr 14 Jan 49 w/10 Ind.
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TO: FROM: DATE: COMMENT NO. 2
Chief, Pers Actions Br, AGO Adm Services Div, AGO 20 Feb 52 Driscoll/52010
ATTN: DMA Section

Request remark with reference to Comment No. 1.

FOR CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:

4 Incls.
n/c

/s/ S. Rubinton, Major, AGC
for L. L. BOYD, Colonel, AGC
Executive Officer

TO: Chief of Finance FROM: DATE: COMMENT NO. 3
Washington, D. C. TAG 17 Mar 52 Lt Col Hess/53769/ldh

Request comment and recommendation in connection with the questions raised in paragraph 4a and 4b preceding Comment No. 1.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

4 Incls
n/c

/s/ Bule Hess
for E. P. GRANDELL, Colonel, AGC
Chief, Personnel Actions Branch

FINEE 242.14/34392 General

TO: TAG FROM: OCF DATE: 7 April 1952 COMMENT NO. 4
Major Lepera/71631

1. With reference to question presented in paragraph 4a, Comment No. 1, it is not considered necessary to amend the orders announcing the award of the Combat Infantryman Badge, dated prior to 1 October 1949, to show an effective date for pay purposes since the enlisted men concerned are no longer in the service and a lapsed appropriation is involved. It is suggested that any claims in this connection be referred to the General Accounting Office, Claims Division, Washington 25, D. C., for settlement by that office.

2. With regard to paragraph 4b, Comment No. 1, the question as to entitlement to additional compensation for the Combat Infantryman Badge by members serving in an Army of the United States enlistment cannot be answered authoritatively by this office since this question now comes within the jurisdiction of the General Accounting Office. In event that office should favorably consider any claims received involving cases of this nature, it is assumed that a request will be directed to the Department of the Army at that time to furnish an effective date for pay purposes.

FOR THE CHIEF OF FINANCE:

4 Incls
n/c

/s/ J. Carroll
J. CARROLL, Major, FC
Asst, Rec & Disb Div

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Edñfal, Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya
14 January 1949

The Commanding General
Philcom, APO 707
Manila, P.I.
Attn: AG Awards & Decoration Branch

S i r:

I am sending herewith the receipt duly signed re Combat Infantryman Badge. In this connection may I be inform as to what office should I claim for the pay of the Combat Infantryman Badge. The letter order that came from the Adjutant General's Office does not even state the effective date for pay unlike the letter order that I have seen from my co-members of the 14th Inf. Regt AUS, that the effective date for pay is Jan. 1, 1944. What is the difference with my claim with those who were ahead of me when we fall on the same category? I have more than four years length of service and I was with the liberation forces fighting the forces of Gen. Yamasita at Kiangnan, Mt. Province.

Very respectfully,

ALEJANDRO G. FONTANILLA
ASN 10 626 026

Sub # 1

BASIC: Ltr fr Alejandro G. Fontanilla, Bonfal, Bayombong, Nueva
Viscaya, dtd 14 Jan 1949.

GSXAD 201-FONTANILLA, Alejandro G. 1st Ind. JMW/pp

Headquarters, Philippines Command, APO 707 Jan 29 1949

TO: The Adjutant General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D.C.

Request information on which to base a reply.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

1 Incl:
w/d

JOHN M. WESTON, JR
1st Lt. AGD
Asst. Adj. Gen.

AGPD-M 201 Fontanilla, Alejandro G. 2d Ind. 6r/3604
10 626 026 (14 Jan 49)

AGO, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C. 23 March 1949

TO: CG, Philippines Command, APO 707, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco,
California

1. Attention is invited to attached copy of letter dated 22 July
1948.

2. This policy also includes members of the Philippine Army.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

1 Incl:
Cy ltr dtd 22 Jul 48

Adjutant General

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BASIC: Ltr fr Alejandro G. Fontanilla, Bonfal, Bayombong, Nueva
Viscaya, dtd 14 Jan 49.

CGXAD 201-FONTANILLA, Alejandro G. 3d Ind. JMW/idf

Headquarters, Philippines Command APO 707 APR 11 1949

THRU: Commander-in-Chief, Far East, APO 500

TO: The Adjutant General, Department of the Army, Washington
25, D. C.

1. Request clarification of the effective date of pay of the Combat Infantryman Badge to Philippine Scouts. (Incl #1)
2. Attention is invited to attached copy of Department of the Army Letter Order dated 13 December 1948, which does not authorize the Combat Infantryman Pay to Alejandro G. Fontanilla (Incl #2), and attached copy of Department of the Army Letter Order dated 14 March 1949, which authorizes the Combat Infantryman Pay to Gregorio P. Jose, effective as of 1 January 1944 (Incl #3). It is to be noted that both of these individuals were former members of the 14th Infantry.

3. It has been noted by this headquarters that all Combat Infantryman Badge applications submitted by former members of the 14th Infantry and approved by the Department of the Army in Letter Orders dated prior to 20 January 1949 were not authorized the Combat Infantryman Pay, whereas, applications submitted by individuals of the same organization and approved by the Department of the Army in Letter Orders dated subsequent to 20 January 1949, were authorized the Combat Infantryman Pay effective 1 January 1944.

4. Paragraph 2 of Inclosure #1 is not clear at this headquarters. As already stated above all applications approved by the Department of the Army subsequent to 20 January 1949, are being authorized the Combat Infantryman Pay (Incl #3).

5. This headquarters is in receipt of numerous queries from individuals who were not authorized this pay, due to the fact that individuals of the same organization are not being authorized the same benefit.

6. Request this headquarters be furnished a policy or authority on which to base a reply to queries received regarding this matter.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

3 Incls:	JOHN M. WESTON, JR
Incl 1-n/s	1st Lt. AGD
Added:	Asst. Adj. Gen.
Incl 2-Cpy DA LO 13 Dec 48.	
Incl 3- CpyDA Lo 14 Mar. 49	

AG 201 - FONTANILLA, Alejandro G. 4th Ind
(14 Jan 49)AG-PE

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500, 22 April 1949

TO: The Adjutant General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D.C.

Forwarded for consideration in connection with previous correspondence on this same subject, file AG 201- Lagares, Marcelino, (26 Nov 48) AG-PE, transmitted to your office by 3d indorsement dated 11 April 1949, copy attached.

FOR THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF:

4 Incls	GEO. E. CAMPBELL
1-3 No change	Lt. Col, AGC
Added	Asst Adj. Gen
4. Cy 3d Ind, GHQ, FEC dtd 11 Apr 49	

cc: CG, Phil Com.

AGRS-DA 200.6
(14 Jan 49)

5th Ind

SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay

AGO, Dept of the Army, Records Administration Center, St. Louis 20, Missouri,
17 January 1950

TO: Commander-in-Chief, General Headquarters, Far East Command, APO 500, c/o
Postmaster, San Francisco, California

1. In connection with Combat Infantryman Pay due enlisted members of the Philippine Army and Philippine Scouts, on opinion received from The Judge Advocate General is substantially as follows:

Enlisted men of the Philippine Scouts and enlisted men of the Philippine Army who were called into the service of the United States pursuant to the military order of the President, dated 26 July 1941 (6 P.R. 3825) who have been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge or Medical Badge, are not entitled to receive the additional compensation therefor authorized, respectively, by section 1 of the act of 30 June 1944 (58 Stat. 548; 10 U.S.C. 1430a) and by section 1 of the act of 6 July 1945 (59 Stat. 4627; 10 U.S.C. 1430b).

2. The orders relating to the award of the Combat Infantryman Badge to the following named individuals were erroneously amended by this office to read an effective date for pay. This action has been corrected and the orders relating thereto are inclosed.

Gregorio P. Jose	10 626 490
Marcelino Lugares	10 626 840
Yee, Yee	10 626 001
Gerónimo M. Mariera	10 626 174

3. Other orders erroneously issued in cases of this nature showing an effective date for pay will be amended by deleting that portion at the time each individual case is brought to the attention of this office.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

8 Incls
Added 4 Incls
5-8 Letter Orders

/s/ W. A. Leary
Adjutant General

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Authority AM D 883078

Ltr fr Alejandro G. Fontanilla, ASN 10626026, Bonfal, Payombong, Nueva
Viscaya, subj. # Combat Infantryman Badge Fay. 14 Jan 49

AG 201- FONTANILLA, Alejandro G. 6th Ind
14 Jan 49)AG-PE

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND APO 500, 30 January 1950

TO: Commanding General, Philippines Command (Air Force), APO 74

Attention is invited to 5th indorsement.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

8 Incls
n/c

ALLEN L. TUCKER
Maj, AGD
Asst Adj Gen

Copy furnished:
CG, FEAFF, APO 925

AG 201-FONTANILLA, Alejandro G. 7th Ind. D/P-JMN/crs/lms

HEADQUARTERS, PHILIPPINES COMMAND (AIR FORCE) AND THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE,
Clark AFB, APO 74

TO: Commanding Officer, Adjutant General Records Depository, APO 900

It is believed that the 14th Infantry Regiment was recognized as
an AUS organization and that the personnel assigned thereto were consi-
dered members of the Army of the United States, and not of the Philip-
pine Army nor of the Philippine Scouts. Request confirmation.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL TURNER:

8 Incls:
n/c

C. H. LIEURANCE
2d Lt, AGD
ASST, ADJ. GENERAL

BASIC: Ltr fr Alejandro G. Fontanilla, ASN 10626026 of Bonfal,
Bayombong, Nueva Viscaya, subj: "Combat Infantryman Badge Pay,"
dated 11 Jan 1949.

AGED-J 201 - FONTANILLA, Alejandro G. 8th Ind. RE/neg

HEADQUARTERS, ADJUTANT GENERAL RECORDS DEPOSITORY, PHILIPPINES COMMAND (AF) AND
THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE, APO 900 - 8 Mar 1950

TO: Commanding General, Philippines Command (AF) and Thirteenth Air Force, Clark
Air Force Base, APO 74

1. Subject has been duly credited with AUS status which has not been revoked.
2. The personnel of the 14th Infantry Regiment (PA) were given AUS status under authority of radio from General MacArthur to Colonel Nakar, dated 12 July 1942. However, the personnel of this unit were individually recognized for AUS status after thorough screening and processing to determine eligibility by this headquarters. AUS recognition was granted as a reward by General MacArthur for meritorious service rendered prior to date of induction and the policies for such reward have been determined to include: service with the 14th Infantry (PA) prior to induction and physical presence on date of induction. Some personnel of the unit have been recognized in an AUS status and paid their arrears in pay accordingly but upon redetermination found disqualified for such status. This headquarters have revoked and is revoking the status of all members who failed to meet the established criteria.
3. It is believed and recommended, that confirmation of AUS status should be secured from Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, Records Administration Center, 4300 Goodfellow Boulevard, St. Louis 20, Missouri, prior to any action regarding Combat Infantryman's Badge as records have been forwarded that office.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

8 Incls
n/c

/s/ Richard Evans
RICHARD EVANS
WCJG USA
Asst Adj

AG 201-FONTANILLA, Alejandro G. 9th Ind D/P-JMW/crs/lms
(14 Jan 1949)
Subject: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay

HEADQUARTERS, PHILIPPINES COMMAND (AIR FORCE) AND THIRTEENTH AIR FORCE,
Clark AFB, APO 74

TO: Commander-in-Chief, Far East, APO 500

1. Attention invited to preceding indorsement.

2. It is believed that individuals who were credited with AUS status on account of services with the 14th Infantry Regiment and were awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge in recognition of combat services rendered while assigned to the organization are not within the purview of paragraph 1, 5th indorsement, although they were called into the service of the United States pursuant to the military order of the President dated 26 July 1941 in the status of members of the Philippine Army, and, therefore, are entitled to receive the additional compensation authorized.

3. Request reconsideration.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

8 Incls:
n/c

AG 201-FONTANILLA, Alejandro G. 10th Ind.
(14 Jan 49) AG-PE

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500, 21 March 1950

TO: The Adjutant General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Forwarded for reconsideration.
2. Attention is invited to 8th and 9th indorsements.

FOR THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF:

8 Incls
n/c

ALLEN L. TUCKER
Maj, ADG
Asst Adj Gen

DISPOSITION FORM

FILE NO. AGPO-AD

SUBJECT Combat Infantryman Badge Pay to members of
Philippine Armed Forces

TO The Judge Advocate

FROM The Adjutant General

DATE 10 Nov 49

Maj. Rogers/3769/wp

1. Opinion is requested whether members of the Philippine Scouts and members of the Philippine Army inducted into the Army of the United States under the provisions of Military Orders issued by the President on 26 July 1941 (copy inclosed) are eligible for additional pay, prior to 1 October 1949, by virtue of the award of the Combat Infantryman Badge or Medical Badge.

2. Attention is invited to copy of letter dated 22 July 1948 to Commander-in-Chief, Far East Command and Commanding General, Philippine-Ryukyus Command, quoting comment of the Commanding General, Army Finance Center, relative to Combat Infantryman Badge pay to Philippine Scouts. Office of the Chief of Finance (Major Regan) informally advised this office on 4 February 1949 that policy on payment to Philippine Scouts outlined in letter cited above also applied to members of the Philippine Army.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

/s/ C. W. Rogers
for RALPH NEMO, Colonel
Chief, Personnel Actions Branch

Incl.

D/F 31 May 49
w/4 Comments
and 4 Incls.

CSJAGA 1941/8301

TO: The adjutant General

FROM: The Judge
Advocate GeneralDATE 21 Dec 1949 COMMENT NO. 2
Capt. Seibert/76008

1. Subsequent to the receipt of the previous comment, a representative of The Adjutant General (Maj. Rodgers, Ext. 3769) informally advised a representative of this office (Capt. Seibert, Ext. 76008) that the question presented referred only to whether enlisted men of the Philippine Scouts, and enlisted men of the Philippine Army who were called into the service of the United States pursuant to the military order of the President dated 26 July 1941 (6F.R. 3825), who had been awarded the combat infantryman badge or the medical badge pursuant to

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Incl #2

SUBJECT: Combat Infantrymen Badge
Pay to members of Philippine
Armed Forces.

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regulations promulgated by the Secretary of the Army are eligible to receive the pay authorized for such awards.

2. It is the opinion of this office that the enlisted men of the Philippine Army and the Philippine Scouts referred to in paragraph 1 hereof who may have been awarded the combat infantryman or medical badge, are not entitled to received the additional compensation therefor authorized, respectively, by section 1 of the act of 30 June 1944 (58 Stat. 648; 10 U.S.C. 1430a) and by section 1 of the act of 6 July 1945 (59 Stat. 462; 10 U.S.C. 1430b).

FOR THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL:

1 Incl
n/c

/s/ Nathan J. Roberts
NATHAN J. ROBERTS
Lieutenant Colonel, JAGC
Chief, Military Affairs Division

WGPO-AD 200.6 Combat Infantryman Badge pay - Philippine Army personnel

TO: CO, RAC FROM: PA Br DATE 29 Dec 49 COMMENT NO. 3
St. Louis, Mo. PA Section
1D-725, Pentagon

In compliance with request contained in inclosed Comment No 3, dated 26 September 1949, attention is invited to preceding Comment No. 2, dated 21 December 1949.

2 Incls:
Inc 1 n/c
Inc 2 added
Ltr 3 Oct 49

/s/ C.W. Rogers
for RALPH NEMO, Colonel, AGD
Chief, Personnel Actions Branch

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FILE NO.

Fontanilla, Alejandro G.
 IO 626 026

TO D & A Branch

FROM Denob Per Rec Br, RAC DATE 31 May 1949 COMMENT NO. 1
 Kallner/711

Case forwarded for your disposition, inasmuch as there are no records on file in
 DPRB.

2 Inclosures

1. Ltr dtd 14 Jan 49 w/4 Incls
 and 4 Incls
2. NME Form 95

/s/ E. C. Hoge
 E. C. HOGE, Lt Col., AGD
 Chief, DPRB

AGPD-M

TO: Records Admin. Center
 DPRB

FROM: D & A Branch' DATE: 8 June 49 COMMENT NO. 2
 M. J. Rogers/3322

Request explanation of authorization for additional pay for Combat Infantryman
 Badge awarded Gregorio P. Jose (see 3d Ind. attached letter) in view of policy
 announced in letter to Commander-in-Chief, Far East Command and Commanding General,
 Philippine Command, dated 22 July 1948 (Incl. #1) copy of which was furnished you
 22 July 1948.

/s/ G. W. ROGERS
 G. W. ROGERS, Maj, AGD
 Acting Chief, D & A Branch

Incls. n/c

SUBJECT: Pay for Combat Infantryman Badge

TO Chief, Adm Svs Div, AGO FROM CO, Rec Adm Gen, AGO DATE

COMMENT NO. 3
Lt Col Hoge/705

1. The authorization for additional pay for the Combat Infantryman Badge, as shown on the Letter Order prepared by the Decorations and Awards Section, Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, 14 March 1949 on Gregorio P. Jose, 10 626 490, was based on the erroneous conception that members of the Philippine Army were entitled to such pay. The Decorations and Awards Section had not been informed that the decision of the Comptroller General applied to members of the Philippine Army as is indicated in Paragraph 2, 2d Indorsement from AGO to the Commanding General, Philippine Command on 23 March 1949.

2. Although Paragraph 1, letter dated 22 July 1948 refers to the non-entitlement of the Philippine Scouts to the pay "in accordance with principal established in Comptroller General decision (21 Comp "on 365)", and 2d Indorsement from AGO dated 23 March 1949 indicates that the policy includes members of the Philippine Army, it is not clear whether the decision applies to Philippine Army personnel inducted into the Army of the United States pursuant to applicable directives (Incls 3 and 4). It is suggested that a decision be obtained from the Judge Advocate General of the Army concerning this matter.

3. In view of the foregoing, the policy of the Decorations and Awards Section, Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, this Center, has been amended, pending further instructions, to exclude the authorization for pay for the Combat Infantryman Badge on Letter Orders prepared on former members of the Philippine Army.

4 Incls
Added 2 Incls
3. Cy Msg dtd 12 Jul 42
4. Cy ltr dtd 30 Jul 41

E. C. GAULT, colonel, AGO
Commanding

FILE NO:

SUBJECT: Pay for Combat Infantryman Badge.

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TO: Chief, Personnel Actions Branch
AGO, ATTN: Decorations and
Awards Section, Room 16 644, The Pentagon

FROM: Adm Services Div, AGO
DATE: 28 Sep 49

COMMENT NO. 4
McFall/71984

Attention is invited to preceding comment.

FOR CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:

4 Incls
n/c

E. F. PEGRAM, major, AGO
Executive Officer

FILE NO.
AGRS-E 200.6

SUBJECT Combat Infantryman Badge Pay to Members of
Philippine Armed Forces

TO Ch, Adm Svs Div, AGO
Rm 1A 881, The Pentagon

FROM CO, Rec Adm Cen, AGO

DATE 19 Apr 1950

COMMENT NO. 1
Lt Col Hoge/705

1. Reference is made to the attached Disposition Form dated 10 November 1949 from the Adjutant General to The Judge Advocate General of the Army (Incl 1) and the correspondence (Incl 2) pertaining to Alejandro G. Fontanilla, 10 626 026, relating to the Combat Infantryman Badge Pay to members of the Philippine Armed Forces.

2. Attention is invited to the opinion of The Judge Advocate General which provides that enlisted men of the Philippine Army and the Philippine Scouts who were called into the service of the United States pursuant to the military order of the President dated 26 June 1941, and who had been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge or the Medical Badge, are not entitled to receive additional compensation for such awards. It is not clear as to whether this opinion considered those former Philippine Army and Philippine Scout personnel who were subsequently inducted into the Army of the United States in accordance with a telegram received by Colonel Nakar, Commanding Officer of the 14th Infantry Regiment, from General MacArthur dated 12 July 1942 (Incl 3 to Comment No. 3, D/F this Center dated 26 September 1949, now a part of Incl 1), and who were later awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge. In this connection, attention is also invited to the 7th, 8th and 9th Indorsements of inclosed correspondence (Incl 2).

3. In view of the foregoing, a decision is requested as to whether the status accorded to members of the 14th Infantry Regiment by virtue of the telegram from General MacArthur to Colonel Nakar entitles those individuals to additional compensation for the Combat Infantryman Badge or Medical Badge awarded in recognition of combat service while assigned to that organization.

2 Incls

1. D/F dtd 10 Nov 49 w/incls
2. Ltr dtd 14 Jan 49 w/10 Incls
and 8 Incls

/s/ John J. Donovan
JOHN J. DONOVAN, Colonel, AGO
Commanding

Incl # 3

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FILE NO: AG&Z SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay to
Members of Philippine Armed Forces.

TO: FROM: DATE: COMMENT NO. 2

Chief, Personnel Actions Branch Adm Services Div, AGO 21 Apr 50 Driscoll/2010
AGO, ATTN: Decorations and Awards
Unit

Remark is requested with reference to Comment No. 1.

FOR CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:

2 Incls */s/ S. Rubinton*
n/m for E. R. PEGRAM, Major, AGC
Executive Officer

FILE NO: 242.14 SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay to Members
AGPO-AD of Philippine Armed Forces.

TO: The Judge Advocate FROM: The Adjutant General DATE: 27 Apr 50 COMMENT NO. 3
General Maj. Rogers/5039/cha

1. It is requested that this office be further advised concerning the previous
opinion rendered by your office (comment No. 2 21 Dec 49, attached) in view of comment
No. 1.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

2 Incls */s/ C. W. Rogers*
n/c for MORRIS H. MARCUS
Colonel, AGD
Chief, Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

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Authority *AWD 883078*

JAGA 1950/3036

SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay to Members
of Philippine Armed Forces

TO: The Adjutant General FROM: The Judge Advocate DATE: 25 May 1950 COMMENT NO. 4
General Lt Wolf/76008

1. This office has reconsidered the opinion expressed in the inclosed Disposition Form Comment No. 2 (CSJAGA 1949/8301, 21 Dec 1949) in the light of the submitted copy of cable from General MacArthur to Colonel Nakar, commanding the 14th Infantry Regiment, dated 12 July 1942.

2. It is clear from the mentioned cable that the status of enlisted members of the Philippine Army serving with the 14th Infantry Regiment was not changed thereby. Authorization was granted, however, to enlist soldiers of the Philippine Army in the Army of the United States. Consequently, if subsequent to the receipt of the mentioned cable, such members were in fact enlisted in the Army of the United States and were entitled to wear the Combat Infantryman Badge or Medical Badge, they would be entitled to the additional compensation authorized for such awards if otherwise entitled thereto under pertinent Army regulations and directives.

3. There is nothing in the submitted cable which would warrant a change in the views of this office set forth in the opinion referred to in paragraph 1 hereof, which relates solely to members of the Philippine Army and Philippine Scouts as such.

FOR THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL:

2 Incls
n/c

/s/ Tom H. Berratt
TOM H. BARRATT
Lieutenant Colonel, JAGC
Acting Chief, Military Affairs Division

SGPO-AD 242.14 SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay to Members of
Philippine Armed Forces

TO Chief, Adm Services Div, AGO FROM PA Branch DATE: 2 June 50 COMMENT NO. 5
PA Section Major C. W. Rogers/3769/dr
Rm 1D-725, Pentagon

In connection with Comment No. 1, attention is invited to preceding Comment No. 4.

2 Incls: for /s/ C. W. Rogers
n/c MORRIS H. MARCUS, Colonel, AGD
Chief, Personnel Actions Br. AGO

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TO: FROM: DATE: COMMENT NO. 6
Commanding Officer, Records Administration Adm Services Div, AGO 5 Jun 50 Driscoll/2010
Center, AGO, Bldg. 101, 4300 Goodfellow
Boulevard, St. Louis 20, Missouri

Attention is invited to Comments 4 and 5.

FOR CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:

2 Incls. for /s/ S. Rubinton
n/c E. F. PEGRAM, Major, AGD
Executive Officer

DECLASSIFIED
 Authority *ND 883078*

AGRS-DE 200.6 (6Dec51)

Combat Infantryman Badge Pay

Chief, Adm Svs Div, AGO
 Rm 1A 881, The Pentagon

CO, Rec Adm Cen, AGO

6 Dec 1951

Lt Col Hoge/705

1. Reference is made to the inclosed Settlement Certificate dated 9 November 1951 from the General Accounting Office, Washington, D. C., advising Russell R. Potter, Service Number 27 280 901, that he is not entitled to pay for the Combat Infantryman Badge, although such pay was indicated on the badge orders prepared by the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch.

2. In connection with the above, the following information is furnished:

a. Act of 30 June 1944, as amended authorized additional pay for each enlisted man to whom the Combat Infantryman Badge was awarded, continuous throughout his service as a member of the combat ground forces. This Act was repealed, effective 1 October 1949, by Public Law 351, 81st Congress, approved 12 October 1949 (JAAF Bul 30, 1949).

b. With the enactment of Public Law 351, the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch discontinued the practice of indicating an effective date for pay purposes on letter orders announcing the award of the Combat Infantryman Badge. However, in each case the Army Finance Center, St. Louis, Missouri, requested this information and in accordance with instructions received from the Personnel Actions Branch, data pertaining to pay was again shown on the orders. In this connection, attention is invited to the inclosed copy of D/F 29 December 1949 with 4 Comments.

3. In view of the foregoing, information is requested as to whether former soldiers who were entitled to the Combat Infantryman Badge during World War II are entitled to pay for the badge if the orders were written subsequent to 1 October 1949.

4. If it is determined that such individuals are not entitled to pay, it is recommended that the letter orders prepared by Personnel Actions Branch and the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch contain a statement to the effect that under the provisions of Public Law 351, dated 12 October 1949, pay is not applicable.

2 Incls.

1. Ltr 9 Nov 51
2. Cy D/F 29 Dec 49 w/Comms
 2, 3 & 4

JOHN J. DONOVAN, Colonel, AGC
 Commanding

(Initialed ECH)

Sheet # 4

AGAZ
SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay

TO: FROM: DATE: COMMENT NO. 2
Chief, Personnel Actions Br. AGO Adm Services Div AGO 11 Dec 51 Dirscoll/52010
ATTN: Decorations & Awards Sec.

Remark is requested with reference to Comment No. 1.

FOR CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:

2 Incl
n/c

/s/ S. Rubinton
for L. L. BOYD, Colonel, AGC
Executive Officer

Stamped S. RUBINTON, Major, AGC
Asst Ex Off, Admin Serv Div, AGO

AGPR-AD 200.6
(6 Dec 51)

TO: Chief of Finance FROM: TAG DATE: 17 Dec 1951 COMMENT NO. 3
Lt Col Hess/53769/rge

1. For remark and recommendation.
2. Pertinent paragraph now being used in letter orders awarding the Combat Infantryman Badge are as indicated in copy of Comment No. 3, dated 13 January 1950, inclosed.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

2 Incls
n/c

/s/ Baile Hess
E. P. GRANDELL
Colonel, AGC
Chief, Personnel Actions Branch, AGO

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Authority *NND 883678*

FINER 242.14 Potter, Russell R., 37 280 901
SUBJECT: Combat Infantrymen Badge Pay

TO: TAG FROM: OCF DATE: 5 Jan 1952 COMMENT NO. 4
Mr. Knox/71631

1. In view of the settlements being made by the General Accounting Office in these cases, as indicated by the inclosed Settlement Certificate issued to Russell R. Potter, 37 280 901, this office concurs in the recommendation contain in paragraph 4, preceding Comment No. 1.

2. A copy of this correspondence has been furnished the Commanding General, Army Finance Center, St. Louis 20, Missouri, for the information of that office in connection with the processing of claims for Combat Infantrymen Badge pay to the General Accounting Office.

FOR THE CHIEF OF FINANCE:

2 Incls
n/c

/s/ E. A. Muth
E. A. MUTH, Lt. Colonel, FC
Acting Chief, Rec & Disb Div

TO Ch/Admin Svs Div, AGO FROM Pers Bur, AGO DATE 21 Jan 52 COMMENT NO. 5
Lt Col Buie Hess/53769/ghs

In view of concurrence by Office, Chief of Finance, all letter orders issued by this office will be revised as follows:

"Under the provisions of Public Law 351 dated 12 October 1949, no additional pay shall accrue by virtue of this award."

FOR THE CHIEF, PERSONNEL BUREAU:

3 Incls
Incls 1 & 2 n/c
Added 1 incl
3. D/F w/Comments
#1 & #2, dtd 5th & 10th Jan 52

/s/ E. P. Crandell
E. P. CRANDELL
Colonel, AGC
Chief, Personnel Actions Branch

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SUBJECT: Combat Infantryman Badge Pay

TO:	FROM:	DATE:	COMMENT NO. 6
CO, Records Adm Ctr, AGO	Adm Services Div, AGO	22 Jan 52	Driscoll/52010
Bldg. 101, 4300 Goodfellow			
Blvd., St. Louis 20, Mo.			

Attention is invited to Comments 4 and 5.

FOR CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:

3 Incls
n/c

/s/ Alton D. Shaw
for L. L. BOYD, Colonel, AGC
Executive Officer

Stamped Alton D. Shaw, Lt. Col, AGC
Asst Ex Off, Adm Services Div, AGO

DISPOSITION FORM

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FILE NO. AGRS-DE 200.6 (15 Feb 52)	SUBJECT Combat Infantryman Badge Pay		
TO Chief, Adm Sys Div, AGO Rm 1A 861, The Pentagon	FROM CO, RAC, AGO	DATE 4 April 52	COMMENT NO. 1

1. Reference is made to Comment No. 1, dated 18 Feb 1952, above subject and file number.

2. Information is requested as to when a reply may be expected in this case.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ John A. Marszal
JOHN A. MARSZAL, Captain, AGC
Asst. Adjutant

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TO: Chief, Pers Actions Br, AGO ATTN: D&A Section Mr. Apenes	FROM: Adm Svcs Div, AGO	DATE: 9 Apr 52	COMMENT NO. 2 Driscoll/52010
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Comment No. 1, dated 18 February 1952, on the subject indicated was sent to Chief, Personnel Actions Branch, Attention: D&A Section on 20 February 1952, with request for remark.

FOR CHIEF, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:

/s/ L. L. Boyd
L. L. BOYD, Colonel, AGC
Executive Officer

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

FOR: Correspondence re discontinuance of handling of applications submitted by Filipinos for Correction of Military Records

SEE: D/F dtd 5 Jan 51 w/comments 2, 3, & 4 re Evangelista, Geronimo (classified Secret)

FILED: folder GUERRILLA RECORDS, CORRES RE filed in SAFE, Exec Section

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WD GRNC

REUR D/F 14 AUG 50 AGRS-3 314, SUBJ PHILIPPINE RECORDS 16 LOCKER BOXES
PHILIPPINE ARMY RECORDS BEING SHIPPED DPRB MONDAY BY ENL PI SEC PI BR
END KLEIN

copies furnished: 22 Sep 50
Miss Greene
Mr. Hayworth
Miss Hager
Mr. Shelton
Cir Br Hqrs to Note

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: 10 Oct 1950

16 Locker Boxes of records (approx 23,000 folders containing Casualty Reports, Information sheets and misc papers pertaining to Philippine Army personnel) received DPRB and sent to Alphabetizing Unit, Misc Rec Section, 29 Sep 50

Records alphabetized and delivered to Miss Greene, Hqrs, WW II Pers Rec Sec 11 Oct 50. After checking by Special Service for cases being held for action, these records will be interfiled in Philippine Army files in room adjacent to Information Desk.

File - Philippine Army

*17 Jun 53
By Special Rec Room RA Sec*

314 (14 Aug 50) Phil Rec

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FROM NAME OR TITLE C. L. SCHAEFFER <i>Schaeffer</i>		DATE 22 Sep 50	
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION		TELEPHONE 701	
HQRS. RECORDS ADMINISTRATION CENTER, AGO, BUILDING 101			
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COMMENT NO. 3
25 Aug 50 Goodman/701

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32 locker boxes of records (approx 23,000 folders containing generally reports, information sheets and other papers pertaining to Philippine Army personnel) received RFB and sent to Administrative Unit, Miss Rec Section, 23 Sep 50

Records alphabetized and delivered to Miss Greene, RFB, on 11 Feb Rec Sec 51 Oct 50. After checking by Special Service for cases being held for action, these records will be indexed in Philippine Army files in room adjacent to Information Desk.

Mr. [unclear]
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AGRS-E 314 (14 Aug 50) Phil Rec

TO: Chief, Adm Svs Div, AGO
Rm 1A 881, The Pentagon

FROM: CO, Rec Adm Cen, AGO

DATE: 25 Aug 50

COMMENT NO. 3
Goodman/701

1. Concur in the transfer of miscellaneous records of Philippine Army personnel to the Records Administration Center.

2. In this connection, attention is invited to D/F from Chief, Mgt Staff Div, to CO, RAC, Subject: Disposition of Miscellaneous Categories of Personnel Files, dated 27 July 1949, which authorizes the establishment of miscellaneous categories of personnel files in the Civilian Personnel Records Branch. Included in this miscellaneous group is the category "Philippine Army."

3. In view of the above, it is requested that the records in question be shipped to the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch where they will be analyzed to determine the appropriate filing location. Upon completion of review, your office will be informed of action taken.

JOHN J. DONOVAN, Colonel, AGC
Commanding

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AGPI-E

SUBJECT: Records of Philippine Army Personnel

Chief, Mgmt Staff Div, AGO
Rm 1E 660, The Pentagon

Chief, Pers Bur, AGO
Rm 1E 741, The Pentagon

14 Aug 50

COMMENT NO. 1
Hamilton/56982

1. It is recommended that approximately ten cabinets of miscellaneous records of Philippine Army personnel in the custody of the Personnel Information Branch be transferred to Demobilized Personnel Records Branch.

2. The only activity in the file is the withdrawal and transfer to DPRB of records as determinations regarding status during World War II are received from the Casualty Section, Personnel Actions Branch.

3. It was ascertained by a representative of Personnel Information Branch on a recent visit to RAC that DPRB has a separate Philippine Army file and the Chief Clerk of that branch expressed the opinion that the records involved should be consolidated.

/s/ Edward Doherty

WM E. BERGIN, Maj Gen, USA
Chief, Pers Bureau, AGO

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THRU Chief, Adm Svs Div,
AGO

FROM: Chief, Mgt Staff Div, DATE: 15 Aug 50 COMMENT NO. 2
AGO Guthrie/mr/53788

TO CO, Rec Adm Cen, AGO
4300 Goodfellow Blvd
St. Louis 20, Missouri

Request comment or concurrence in recommendation contained in paragraph 1, Comment 1 above.

H. M. JONES, Colonel, AGC
Chief, Mgt Staff Div, AGO

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Records of Philippine Army Personnel

- 27 Jan 49 Hager by MRS to Enright asked where such cases were handled. Stated that AGO Mail Routing Manual shows Operations Branch, AGO but some were known to have been completed in FA Branch (Enl or Cas Sec)
- 1 Mar 49 MRS from Enright to Hager. Stated Casualty Section, FA Branch was handling Philippine Guerrilla cases, however, this function has been recently transferred to Operations Branch. Any cases received direct in DPRB, where no record of service can be located, should be forwarded to Operations Branch for disposition.
- 12, 14 & 25 July 1950 Individual cases returned to DPRB by D/F from Operations Branch, AGO for appropriate action since there were no records of Philippine Army personnel on file in that office. Operations Branch suggested that DPRB contact the AG Records Depository, Manila, Philippines for further consideration.
- 3 Aug 50 D/F from Chief, Management Staff, AGO to CO, RAC: "Inclosed cases were furnished this office by a representative of Operations Branch with a request that they be returned to RAC and that future cases of this type not be sent to that office. It is requested that appropriate action on inclosed cases and similar cases received in the future be taken at Records Administration Center."

*Following cases returned
to mess Hager W W II Corps, see
for dup - 23 Aug 50*

VA 3101 - Sario, Antonio B.

FL 9-150 Falco, Jose G. 02661b

" Canlas, Maximino J. 09441

VA 3101 Naran, Traciano 6397108

" Dulay, Alfredo 042507
0957295
(01773)

23 August 1950
DPRB

*File
Philippine Army*

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1 NAME OR TITLE	INITIALS	CIRCULATE
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3		NECESSARY ACTION
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REMARKS

Will you advise where attached cases (Phil Inf) are handled? - Mail Routing Manual shows Operations Br. - Know some have been completed in PA Br (Enl Men Sec or Casualty Sec).

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FROM NAME OR TITLE
Hager/gb, Chief Clerk

ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION
WW II Corr Sec

DATE
27 Jan 49

TELEPHONE
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NME FORM NO 95 Replaces DA AGO Form 895,
1 OCT 48 1 Apr 48, which may be used.

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representative of
the Records Administration
at office.

on on the inclosed cases
Records Administration Center.

Colonel, AGO
of Div, AGO

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Miss Hager - WW II Corr Sec		
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REMARKS

It has been ascertained that cases pertaining to Philippine Army personnel should be handled by Operations Branch, AGO, as shown in AGO Mail Routing Manual. The cases which were forwarded to LNO by DPRB, by Memo Rgt Slips, have been forwarded to Operations Branch, for disposition.

Cas Section, P. A. Branch was handling Philippine Guerrilla cases, however, this function has been recently transferred to Operations Branch. Any cases received direct in DPRB, where no record of service can be located, should be forwarded to Operations Branch for disposition.

Operations Branch has taken matter up with AGO Msg. Ctr., in effort to have all cases received here pertaining to Philippine Army personnel, properly routed to Operations Branch.

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FROM NAME OR TITLE	DATE
C. M. ENRIGHT	1 Mar 49
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	TELEPHONE
LIAISON SECTION, RAC, Rm 1A 909, Pentagon	74338

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Information on the inclosed cases
Records Administration Center.

Colonel, AGC
Staff Div, AGO

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	<i>Don Maloy</i>		
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REMARKS			
<p><i>The D. F. does not require a reply. Corres is the only Section concerned.</i></p> <p><i>The routing manuals (attached) can be corrected in this branch</i></p>			
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FROM NAME OR TITLE		DATE	
<i>Doyle</i>		<i>8 Aug 50</i>	
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION		TELEPHONE	

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Staff Div, AGO

NME FORM NO 1 OCT 48 95 Replaces DA AGO Form 897, 1 Oct 47, which may be used.

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WW II Corres Sec		FILE
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		NECESSARY ACTION
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		SEE ME
4		SIGNATURE

REMARKS

Your attention is invited to D/F 12 July 50 from Opns Branch to DFRB and D/F from Chief, Mgt Staff Division, AGO, 3 Aug 50, requesting that action on cases pertaining to Philippine Army Personnel be taken by RAC.

It is requested that copy of instructions to WW II Corres Section be sent Chief Clerk, DFRB, today.

Philippine Army Personnel

DATE 3 AUG 1950 COMMENT NO. 1
Guthrie/ht/53788

a representative of the Records Administration that office.

action on the inclosed cases Records Administration Center.

Colonel, AGO
Staff Div, AGO

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Authority NN D 883078

FROM J. MALEY Chief Clerk	DATE 14 Aug 50
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION Demob Pers Rec Branch	TELEPHONE

NME FORM NO 95 Replaces DA AGO Form 540, 1 OCT 48 1 Apr 48, which may be used.

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NME FORM NO 96 Replaces DA AGO Form 897, 1 Oct 47, which may be used.

DISPOSITION FORM

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FILE NO.	SUBJECT		
AGOM-11	Records of Philippine Army Personnel		
TO 10 Chief, Adm Svs Div, AGO S.R.	FROM	DATE	COMMENT NO. 1
TO CO, Rec Adm Gen, AGO 14300 Goodfellow Blvd St Louis 20, Missouri	Chief, Mgt Staff Div, AGO	3 AUG 1960	Guthrie/ht/53788

1. The inclosed cases were furnished this office by a representative of Operations Branch with a request that they be returned to the Records Administration Center and that future cases of this type not be sent to that office.

2. Accordingly, it is requested that appropriate action on the inclosed cases and similar cases received in the future be taken at the Records Administration Center.

2 Incls

- 1 - Sario, Antonio B
- 2 - Sioco, Manuel

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H. M. JONES, Colonel, AGC
Chief, Mgt Staff Div, AGO

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DISPOSITION FORM

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FILE NO. AGAO-C 095 Sario, Antonio B. (5 Apr 50)	SUBJECT Clinical Records of Antonio B. Sario		
TO Chief, Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, Bldg. 105 RAC, AGO, St. Louis 20, Mo.	FROM Operations Br., AGO Rm 1E 863, The Pentagon	DATE 12 July 1950	COMMENT NO. 1 Mrs. Showers Ext. 73462

The attached correspondence is returned for appropriate action since there are no records of Philippine Army personnel on file in this office. It is suggested that you contact the AG Records Depository, Manila, Philippines, for further consideration.

1 Incl
VA Form 3101 dtd 5 Apr
50 w/record of searches

John H. Robinson
Adjutant General

*Similar D/F dated 25 July 50 - ref.
AGAO C204 Falco, Jose G (16 Aug 50 -)
026616*

C O P Y

12 June 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Maley

SUBJECT: Discussions and Agreements With Representatives of
P. I. Branch

1. The group, totaling four, included Mr. Morse and Mr. Postman, Enlisted Section, Mr. Sidney Rogers, Officers Section, and Mr. Ernstedt, Coordinator, P. I. Branch, who spent the 8th and 9th of June in DPRB.
2. Mr. Morse requested information on decentralization of personnel actions and was furnished two copies of Branch Memorandum covering actions in DPRB. He was also furnished two copies of Administrative Services Memorandum No. 9 outlining responsibilities of Branch management in connection with civilian personnel actions. He was promised a chart on functions and purpose of DPRB as soon as it is completed.
3. It was agreed to accept 9 file cases of Philippine Army Records, consisting of determinations regarding eligibility for pay, etc. We now have a similar file in the Conference Room, 1st Floor. When the branch move is completed, space will be available in front of Headquarters, WW II Personnel Records Section, for the entire file (probably about 30 file cases).
4. Mr. Ernstedt asked for the approximate time required for transit of records shipped from P. I. Branch to DPRB. He will have one shipment of boxes numbered, TWX this branch when they are shipped, and wants to be advised by TWX when they arrive in DPRB and are available for search.
5. Requests for transfer of records to P. I. Branch now show Section initiating the request, and it was agreed to note this additional information on the Dummy Folder. Miss Greene and Mr. Leezy were notified to take necessary action this morning.
6. Conference Leader training is being pressed in the branches in Washington and I think we will probably be required to start a similar program. You will recall Mr. Gardner discussed it with some enthusiasm on his last visit here. I asked Mr. Rogers to have Mr. Reuben Miller, who is in charge of training in Washington, send me whatever literature he has available on the subject.
7. A few cases (3) brought back by Mr. Morse were examined and corrective action taken.

File Philippine Army

/s/ Melva Mae Doyle
MELVA MAE DOYLE
Assistant Chief Clerk
Demobilized Personnel Records Branch

*copies filed - Conference
- visitors*

*copies furnished by Miss Doyle
to WW II Pers Rec Sec + WW I Sec*

AGRS-DE (15 May 50)
SUBJECT: 14th Infantry Regiment

5. The records also indicate that the AUS status of the following personnel, whose names are not included on this roster, has been revoked.

Baraderec, Estoban	10 647 077
Basan, Ramon	10 647 187
Baul, Valentino	10 335 551
Bugnay, Arturo	10 626 948
Caluan, Dominador D.	10 647 098
Cape, Mauro	10 300 864
Collantes, Apolonio U.	10 626 832
Gargante, Casimiro S.	02 051 914
Juan, Felagio	10 626 702
Labee, Ponciano Y.	10 626 758
Ramires, Tomas	10 626 349
Santiago, Leonardo	10 335 557
Ulep, Jose A.	10 335 548

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

1 Incl:
14th Inf Roster (copy)

E. C. HOGE, Lt. Col., AGD
Chief, Demob Pers Rec Branch

22 May 1950
Copy furnished:

Miss Hager WWII Com. Sec
Mr W. York Spec Com. Unit, WWII Com. Sec

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File
Philippine Army

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PINKY

14th Infantry Regiment

Chief, Demobilized Pers.
Records Br., RAC

Chief, Family Allowance
Division, Bldg 205

15 May 50

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ATTN: Miss Hager
WW II Corres. Sec,
Bldg 105

1. It is requested that a list of men whose AUS status in the 14th Infantry Regiment has revoked as a result of a redetermination of status, be furnished the Family Allowance Division.

2. This information is vital to the processing of family allowance authorizations pertaining to these enlisted men.

FOR THE CHIEF OF DIVISION:

/s/ C. F. Hathaway
C. F. HATHAWAY, Captain, PD

AGCS-DE

TO:	FROM:	DATE:	COMMENT NO. 2
Chief, Family Allowance Division, Bldg 205	Chief, Demob Pers Rec Br RAC, AGO, St. Louis 20, Mo.	22 May 1950	Hager/rhw

1. There is inclosed a copy of the roster of Officers and Enlisted Men of the 14th Infantry Regiment, Philippine Army, which may or may not contain the names of all such personnel inducted into the AUS on 14 July 1948. This roster was prepared by Headquarters, Philippines-Ryukyus Command, APO 707, and forwarded to The Adjutant General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D. C., on 27 July 1948. It was forwarded to this office 14 February 1949, by Casualty Branch, AGO, Washington 25, D. C. Insofar as Demobilized Personnel Records Branch is concerned, this roster of the 14th Infantry Regiment is not considered as being fully authentic.

2. The records available in this Branch indicate that the AUS status of the personnel whose names are checked in red on the roster has been revoked.

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GINGEE TOKYO JAPAN

ROUTINE

FROM AGPO DASH KRAY SIGNED WITSELL TAG

W C L 48793

UNDERSTOOD HERE FORMER PHIL SCOUTS ENLISTED IN REGULAR ARMY IN SOME
INSTANCES PREFER DISCHARGE TO TRANSFER FROM PHILIPPINES OR FECOM AND
THAT YOUR HEADQUARTERS DESIRES AUTHORITY TO DISCHARGE SUCH PERSONNEL
ON THEIR REQUEST IN CONNECTION WITH REASSIGNMENT ORDERS PD IF DESIRED CMA
AUTHORITY GRANTED TO DISCHARGE UNDER PAR ONE CMA AR SIX ONE FIVE DASH
THREE SIX FIVE PD ENLISTED RECORD AND REPORT OF SEPARATION WILL CONTAIN
NOTATION UNDER REMARKS THAT SUCH PERSONNEL ARE INELIGIBLE FOR ENLISTMENT
OR REENLISTMENT

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AGPO-X 220.8 (13 June 49)

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File - Philippine Army

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
ARMY HEADQUARTERS
Camp Murphy, Quezon City

14 September 1946

GENERAL ORDERS)
:)
NUMBER 532)

CREATION OF THE PHILIPPINE REPUBLIC
PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION BADGE

1. Announcement is made of the creation by the Government of the Philippines, of the Philippine Republic Presidential Unit Citation Badge.

2. a. PURPOSE OF THE BADGE:

The Philippine Republic Presidential Unit Citation Badge besides being a source of constant incentive to the performance of outstanding deeds, is created as a public recognition of a nation's gratitude for acts and services of exceptional gallantry and fidelity.

b. DESCRIPTION OF THE BADGE:

A rectangular frame of standard size, $3\frac{1}{2}$ cm by $1\frac{1}{2}$ cm, the borders of which is gold and embossed with palm leaves signifying triumph and glory. The center of the frame contains a red, white and blue ribbon signifying the colors of the Filipino Flag.

3. Pursuant to authority from the President of the Philippines, the following conditions governing the eligibility for the award of the Philippine Republic Presidential Unit Citation Badge are announced:

a. All members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines including members of the Philippine Merchant Marine and all members of the Armed Forces of the United States and nations allied or associated with the United States in the war against the Japanese Empire during the period 7 Dec 41 to 6 May 42.

b. At the discretion of the President all members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines including members of the Philippine Merchant Marine in a war against an enemy of the Republic of the Philippines.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE:

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Luis Florentin
LUIS FLORENTIN
Colonel, AGS
The Adjutant General

R. JALANDONI
Major General, PA
Chief of Staff

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Also Filed: Decs & Awards

FILE: Philippine Army

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1	NAME OR TITLE Mrs. Enright	INITIALS GVE	CIRCULATE
	ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION Liaison Section, RAC	DATE 12/15/49	COORDINATION
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- The procedure referred to in the attached Routing Slip is correct and these cases are handled by Operations Branch.
- Miscellaneous PA files found in DPRE should be forwarded to this branch for use in connection with completion of replies.

/s/ John E. Lyle
 JOHN E. LYLE
 Chief Clerk
 Opr Br, AGO

.2 Incls
 Routing slips

FROM NAME OR TITLE	DATE 14 Dec 49
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	TELEPHONE 71107

NME FORM NO 95 Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 48, which may be used.

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REMARKS 1. The attached priority requests from the VACO concerning Philippine Army personnel, together with Miscellaneous Philippine Army files, are being forwarded to Operations Branch, AGO, for necessary action, in accordance with authority contained in AGO Mail Routing Manual and information received from your office 1 March 1949. On other TWX requests received from the VACO when records are not found in this Branch and it is indicated that action should be taken by a Branch of the AGO in Washington, it is the practice of DPRB to advise the VACO that records are not available in this office and suggest that they contact the appropriate agency direct.

2. It is believed that in cases similar to those attached that the cases and Philippine Army files should be referred to Operations Branch, AGO, by this office rather than to advise VACO to contact Operations Branch. Please advise if this procedure is correct and if the Misc. PA files found in DPRB should be forwarded to Operations Branch, AGO, for use in connection with completion of the reply. (over)

FROM NAME OR TITLE Hager/ew, Chief Clerk	DATE 9 Dec 49
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION WW II Corr Sec, DPRB, RAC	TELEPHONE HV3011ex777

NME FORM NO 95
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1 Apr 48, which may be used.

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3. Copies of the TEX advising VACO that requests are being forwarded to Operations Branch, AGO are attached to each case.

3 Incls

1. MSG 10A 291410Z w/misc PA file (Juan T. Reyes)
2. MSG 11A 291410Z w/misc PA file (Carlito G. Reyes)
3. MSG 39A 011611Z w/misc PA file (Garcia)

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1	NAME OR TITLE <i>Mr. Maley</i>	INITIALS	CIRCULATE
	ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION	DATE	COORDINATION
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3	<i>Relates to records</i>		INFORMATION
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REMARKS			
<p>Photo Process Section has some Philippine Army Morning Reports for the years 1945 and 1946. Mr. Ligon, Management Staff, RAC, has asked for an opinion as to the disposition of such records. It was further suggested that Mr. McCool may have some information regarding this type of record.</p> <p><i>Mr. Maley -</i></p> <p><i>Mr. McCool suggests that these morning reports be transferred to the AG Records Depository, Philippine Air Command. Guthrie, 21 Nov 49.</i></p>			
FROM NAME OR TITLE <i>E. L. Wroble</i>		DATE <i>4 Nov 49</i>	TELEPHONE <i>File</i>
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION <i>Exec Sec, DPRB</i>			
FORM NO 95 1 OCT 48		Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 48, which may be used.	

Also filed: Morning Rpts File Phil. Army

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1	NAME OR TITLE Miss Hager - WW II Corr Sec	INITIALS	CIRCULATE
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REMARKS

It has been ascertained that cases pertaining to Philippine Army personnel should be handled by Operations Branch, AGO, as shown in AGO Mail Routing Manual. The cases which were forwarded to LMO by DPRB, by Memo Rgt Slips, have been forwarded to Operations Branch, for disposition.

Cas Section, P.A. Branch was handling Philippine Guerrilla cases, however, this function has been recently transferred to Operations Branch. Any cases received direct in DPRB, where no record of service can be located, should be forwarded to Operations Branch for disposition.

Operations Branch has taken matter up with AGO Msg. Ctr., in effort to have all cases received here pertaining to Philippine Army personnel, properly routed to Operations Branch.

FROM NAME OR TITLE C. M. ENRIGHT	DATE 1 Mar 49
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION LIAISON SECTION, RAC, Rm 1A 909, Pentagon	TELEPHONE 74338

DA 895
1 OCT 47

Replaces WP AGO Form 895, 1 Jun 48, which may be used.

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*copy furnished Pers Rec Hq (Mrs Labris)
7 march 49*

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Chapter 2

Section III

Procurement of Service Data

30. WHEN REQUEST FOR RECORDS IS MADE BY VA

a. If the records enumerated in paragraph 29 have not been furnished or it is necessary to obtain further service and/or medical records from the Service Departments (Department of the Army, Department of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard), the following procedure will be for application:

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- (9) Request for service and medical data in cases of members of the Philippine Army ordered into the armed forces of the United States will be sent direct to the Manager, VA Regional Office, (APO 900, Care of Postmaster, San Francisco, California.)

*also filed
VA 3101 Institute*

*Fell
Philippine
Army*

18 October 1948

SUPERVISORS:

Two-o-one files showing casualty status of Philippine Army personnel are being received with the current records from Personnel Information Branch. These records will be segregated and forwarded to this office, attention, Mrs. Gabris.

E. Baranice Greene
Acting Chief Clerk
WW II Personnel Records Section

Distribution:

Miss Brooke
Mr. Petrichuk
Mr. Gillen
Mrs. Nichols
Mr. Dye
Mr. O'Connell
Mr. Biser
Mr. Maguire
Mr. Dalton

Mr. Kenney
Col. Merrick
Miss Peterson

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VA Form 3230

Veterans Administration

REFERENCE SLIP

Mr. Searles Edwards

JCT:mg
10-7-48

VA Liaison Officer

Records Administration Center

Bldg 105 St. Louis Missouri

Reference your letter October 5, 1948

Return all misrouted 3101's from this office
to us.

From

J. C. TURNER, Acting Chief, Records
Verification Division, Room 311.

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October 5, 1948

TO: Records Verification Division
Veterans Administration Central Office
Washington 25, D. C.

ATTN: Miss Turner

SUBJ: Forms 3101 in Philippine Army cases

1. DPRB has forwarded all records of Philippine Army veterans in its possession to Commanding General, Philippine Command, Recovered Personnel Division, APO 707, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California.
2. No forms 3101 concerning Philippine Army veterans should hereafter be sent to DPRB. We are returning with this letter, for your disposition, four forms 3101 pertaining to deceased veterans of the Philippine Army. Please advise whether any additional requests of this type received at DPRB should be returned to your office or forwarded to the Manila Regional Office for handling.

SEARLES EDWARDS
Liaison Officer

Encl. 4

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*Rec'd DARRB
Approved monthly
18 Aug 1948*

Administrator of Veterans Affairs

Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Administrator:

Reference is made to conference held on 11 August 1948, attended by representatives of the Veterans Administration and this department, which was held for the purpose of establishing procedures to effect more expeditious and efficient processing of Philippine Army veterans claims.

There is attached a draft of a Memorandum for Record indicating the agreements which were reached at the above-mentioned conference. It is desired to inform the Commanding General, Philippines Command, United States Army, of the agreements reached in order that appropriate action may be taken by that command to carry out the responsibilities assigned thereto. Prior to taking this action, comment or concurrence in the agreements as drafted on the attached memorandum for Record is requested.

As a result of the agreements reached at the above-mentioned conference, it is believed that definite improvements in the service to veterans of the Philippines can be effected. The cooperation of your representatives in this matter is highly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl
M/R w/1 Incl

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General

*Copies also filed -
Veterans Administration
Philippine Islands
Conference*

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File - Philippine Army

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

A conference was held on 11 August 1948 which was attended by representatives of the Central Office, Veterans Administration; Veterans Administration Regional Office, Manila; The Adjutant General's Office; and Philippines Command, United States Army. (See Incl 1 for names of conferees.) The purpose of this conference was to establish procedures for the efficient and expeditious processing of claims of Philippine Army and Philippine Scout personnel. The following agreements were reached at the conference:

Service History Data

1. The furnishing of Service History data to the Manila Veterans Administration Regional Office is a responsibility of the Commanding General, Philippines Command, United States Army.
2. The Veterans Administration will accept as official, certifications of service from the Commanding General, Philippines Command.
3. Where the Veterans Administration has obtained reliable information which conflicts with information obtained from the Philippines Command, the case will be returned to Philippines Command with the conflicting information obtained by the Veterans Administration for reconsideration. Where redeterminations are made, a statement will be furnished on supplemental VA Form 3101 series that the redetermination supersedes determinations previously submitted.
4. Field investigations will be made by Philippines Command only on those cases where actual determinations of service cannot be established by review of existing files and by mail communications. Determination as to the necessity for field investigation in any case rests with Commanding General, Philippines Command.
5. Existing procedures will be continued with regard to developing service data on individuals for whom no personnel files exist. Insofar as possible, affidavits and certificates will be secured from appropriate individuals by Philippines Command in addition to requiring the veteran claimant to secure affidavits and certificates.

Medical Data

1. On individual request, the Commanding General, Philippines Command, will furnish original copies or reproductions of all medical records in the custody of the Philippines Command and any medical records that may be obtained from the Philippine Government.
2. The development of secondary evidence to substantiate or refute allegations of medical treatment where medical records cannot be located is a responsibility of the Veterans Administration.
3. The Commanding General, Philippines Command, will continue to make every effort to obtain and consolidate medical records, including reports of physical examinations, pertaining to Philippine Commonwealth Army and Philippine Scout personnel.

Loyalty Data

1. On each Veterans Administration case a thorough analysis will be made by Philippines Command of files in its custody as well as files in the custody of the Philippine Government that are accessible in the Manila area to determine if derogatory information is on file. Where derogatory information is on file for a number of individuals with the same name as the veteran claimant, every effort will be made to determine whether any of this information pertains to the claimant in question. In the event that this cannot be determined conclusively, the Manila Veterans Administration Regional Office will be informed of information that possibly relates to the claimant, and that agency will make final determination of the applicability of such information. In the event derogatory information is determined to apply to the veteran claimant, the Manila Veterans Administration Office will furnish the Philippines Command such information for their files.

2. Field investigations, if required to develop definite proof regarding the loyalty of a veteran claimant, will be accomplished by the Manila Veterans Administration Regional Office.

Representatives of The Adjutant General's Office

Maj Gen E. V. Wittell, The Adjutant General
 Col E. B. Jones
 Col W. P. Marcus
 Col E. P. Rush
 Col C. I. Shugart
 Lt Col E. A. Miles
 Mr. J. W. Meley
 Mr. G. D. McCool
 Mr. J. L. Guthrie

Representatives of Philippines Command, United States Army

Lt Col J. W. Hill
 Lt Col J. R. Gilbert
 Lt Col W. H. Walker
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REMARKS

1. For designation of representative to attend conference. Name will be submitted to Major Test for issuance of orders.

2. Mr. McCool, Management Staff Division, suggests that representative arrive in Washington on 9 August for preliminary conference. Mr. McCool would also like to discuss this matter during current visit to RAC this week.

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27 Jul 48

*Original + 4 copies
Given Mr Malley*

FROM NAME OR TITLE /s/ Charles D. Carle CHARLES D. CARLE, Col., AGD 26 July 48	DATE
ORGANIZATION AND LOCATION Commanding, RAC, AGO	TELEPHONE 700

DD FORM 1 FEB 50 95

Replaces DA AGO Form 895, 1 Apr 48, and AFHQ Form 12, 10 Nov 47, which may be used.

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5. Mr. O. D. McCool, Management Staff Division, will visit the Records Administration Center during the week beginning 26 July and will discuss this matter further.

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1 Incl
Ltr to CINCPAC, 9 July 48 (dup)

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/s/ H. M. Jones
ORDER SEC AGENT
BY TAD 15703
Chief, Management Staff Div, AGO

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16 JUL 1948

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Conference Regarding Service to VA on Philippine
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XX THRU Chief, ~~dm-Svs-Dvl~~

Chief, Mgmt Staff Div

16 JUL 1948

McCool/na/73893

TO CGO, Rec Adm Cen, AGO
Building 101
St. Louis 20, Missouri

1. Reference is made to the attached copy of letter (Incl 1) to the Commander-in-Chief, Far East, 9 July 1948, subject: "Furnishing of Service Information to the Veterans Administration on Philippine Army (Including Guerrilla) Personnel." As indicated in paragraph 3 of the attached letter, a conference will be held in The Adjutant General's Office on 11, 12, and 13 August 1948 for the purpose of establishing policies and procedures for the efficient and expeditious handling of claims of Philippine Army veterans.

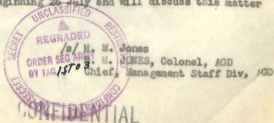
2. It is believed that a number of the problems to be discussed at conference will affect the operations at the Records Administration Center. It is therefore requested that a representative of the Records Administration Center be available in Washington during the period of the conference.

3. Recently, approximately 117 reels of microfilms of unit rosters, diaries of prisoners of war, orders, etc., which had been recovered after the liberation of the Philippines were transferred from the Departmental Records Branch to Demobilized Personnel Records Branch. It is requested that a careful review of these films be made to determine if these films contain information which would be valuable to the Veterans Administration in the adjudication of claims of Philippine Army and guerrilla personnel. If there are considerable data in these films regarding Philippine Army and guerrilla personnel, can the films be adequately indexed to render such data on individuals readily available? If indexing of the films is impracticable, consideration should be given to the possibility of preparing paper prints from the films. This matter will be discussed at the conference referred to above.

4. It is further requested that your representative come to the conference prepared to furnish detailed information regarding the availability at the Records Administration Center of any records pertaining to Philippine Army and guerrilla personnel.

5. Mr. O. D. McCool, Management Staff Division, will visit the Records Administration Center during the week beginning 26 July and will discuss this matter further.

1 Incl
Ltr to CINCPAC, 9 July 48 (dup)



C O N F I D E N T I A L

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL
Washington 25, D.C.

In reply refer to
AGCM-M 313 Phil
(9 Jul 48)

"Information Copy"

9 July 1948

SUBJECT: Furnishing of Service Information to the Veterans Administration
on Philippine Army (Including Guerrilla) Personnel

TO: Commander-in-Chief, Far East
APO 500, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

1. Reference is made to radio CX 60860, your headquarters, dated 22 May 1948, and to radio WAR 81663 from this headquarters, dated 12 May 1948, subject as above.
2. In a meeting between Brigadier General W. A. Beiderlinden, Asst Chief of Staff, G-1, Far East Command, and The Adjutant General, on 2 July 1948, it was agreed that the conference referred to in the above-mentioned radios would be held in Washington, D. C. It was further agreed that if a subsequent conference were necessary, it should be held in Manila. General Beiderlinden indicated that representatives of PHILRYCOM would be designated to attend the conference in Washington, and that such representatives would be authorized to act for the Commander-in-Chief, Far East Command.
3. The conference will therefore be held in The Adjutant General's Office, The Pentagon, on 11, 12 and 13 August 1948. In order that your representatives may be available a few days before and after the conference it is requested that they report to The Adjutant General on 6 August 1948 for approximately two weeks temporary duty.
4. In accordance with the request contained in PHILRYCOM radio SX 49245, dated 19 May 1948, the officer replacement for the Director, Recovered Personnel Division, will be ordered to Washington on 6 August 1948 in order that he will be available during the period your representatives are in Washington. This officer will depart by air with your representatives upon their return to the Philippine-Ryukyus Command.
5. As indicated in radio WAR 81663, consideration is being given to a procedure whereby the entire file of a Philippine Army veteran would be turned over to the Veterans Administration on request, which would eliminate the necessity of extracting data from files and of supplementary requests. Files transferred under this procedure would be incorporated in VA case folder as an integral part of Veterans Administration records. In this connection reference is made to agreement reached between the Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of the

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AGCM-M 313 Phil (9 Jul 48)

9 July 1948

Subject: Furnishing Service Information on Phil Army

Philippines, and representatives of PHILRYCOM (PHILRYCOM radio SX 4895) regarding ultimate disposition of records pertaining to Philippine Army personnel in the custody of the Recovered Personnel Division. It is the opinion of the Judge Advocate General that the records in question which were created or originated by United States personnel are the property of the United States. However, because of the valid interest which the Philippine Government has in these records, it is requested that further negotiations be undertaken with that Government with a view to securing an agreement to permit the above-mentioned procedure to be placed in effect. If possible, this action should be accomplished prior to the conference. If the number of requests from the Philippine Government for return of files were small, it is possible that arrangements could be made whereby the Veterans Administration would upon individual request furnish photographic reproductions of personnel files which had been transferred.

6. It is proposed that all files in the custody of the Recovered Personnel Division, excluding files pertaining to USAFFE and guerrilla personnel, be transferred to the Records Administration Center, AGO, St. Louis, Missouri, in the near future. It is requested that your representatives bring data regarding the volume of the various categories of such files, how the files are arranged, activity of files, and the functions which would have to accompany the files in the event of transfer. It is further requested that your representatives bring a sample of each series of files maintained by the Recovered Personnel Division or, if this is not practicable, a complete description of the record content of each series of files.

7. Reference is made to paragraph H, PHILRYCOM radio S 48487, in which it is stated that "hundreds of files have been altered through Philippine Army officers and Filipino civilians collaborating with claimants." Serious concern has been expressed by representatives of the Veterans Administration and this Department regarding the unauthorized alteration of files in the custody of the Recovered Personnel Division. Your representative should come prepared to discuss this problem in detail and to suggest ways and means of preventing the alteration of files.

8. In a letter from the Manager, Manila Regional Office, Veterans Administration, to the Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of the Philippines, 25 March 1948, it was stated that some personnel and medical records of Philippine Army personnel are still in the custody of various offices of the Philippine Government. It is requested that this matter be explored with a view to establishing procedures to have the original of such records or copies thereof furnished the Veterans Administration when required. If the quantity of such files is large enough to warrant, consideration should be given to the possibility of microfilming these records. Microfilms could be returned to the Zone of the Interior where paper prints of the records could be made and returned to the Recovered Personnel Division.

9. In addition to the above, it is requested that your representatives come prepared to answer the following questions:



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- a. What is the existing backlog of Veterans Administration cases and what procedures could be effected to eliminate backlog at earliest possible date?
- b. How many United States personnel, military and civilian, are currently engaged in processing Veterans Administration cases within Recovered Personnel Division?
- c. How many personnel employed by the Philippine Government, military and civilian, are currently engaged in processing Veterans Administration cases within Recovered Personnel Division?
- d. How long will the Philippine Government continue to lend personnel for handling Veterans Administration cases?
- e. Are funds and personnel ceilings, military and civilian, available to your headquarters to staff the Recovered Personnel Division with United States personnel in the event such action were deemed desirable? If not, what additional funds and personnel ceilings would be required by your headquarters for this purpose?
- f. If the procedure of turning over individual personnel files to the Veterans Administration on requests were adopted, what is the estimated number of calls that would be received monthly from the Philippine Government for reproductions of such files?
- g. Is loyalty information contained in Counter Intelligence Corps files regarding Veterans Administration claimants readily available to the Veterans Administration? It is understood that loyalty of all Philippine Army personnel, certified as eligible for arrears in pay, was ascertained prior to submission of certification for payment. If this was the procedure, should it be necessary for the Veterans Administration to require additional check of Counter Intelligence Corps files?
- h. What medical records, particularly on individuals who were prisoners of war, are available? Were physical examinations given and the findings recorded prior to release of Philippine Army personnel from military control?
- i. What problems are encountered in connection with the processing of cases involving National Service Life Insurance?
- j. Reference is made to paragraph A, PHILRYGOM radio S 48487, in which it is indicated that no information other than name on approved guerrilla unit rosters is available for approximately 115,000 personnel who received payment during liberation period and did not file claims for arrears in pay. Are inclusive dates of service for each such individual contained on these approved rosters? What is the simplest procedure that could be adopted for establishing additional data regarding service for each such person who files a claim with the Veterans Administration?

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10. The purpose of the conference referred to above is to establish policies and procedures for the efficient and expeditious handling of claims of Philippine Army veterans. Accordingly, your representatives should be prepared to furnish any information in addition to that referred to above which would be of value in solving the various problems which will be discussed at the conference.

11. Request acknowledgment of this communication by radio. An information copy of this letter has been furnished the Commanding General, Philippine-Ryukyus Command, by air mail.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

(sgd) C. Z. SHUGART, Col, AGD

Adjutant General



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DISPOSITION FORM

FILE No. AGCM-M	SUBJECT Medical and Clinical Records of Philippine Army, Guerrilla and Civilian Personnel
THRU Chief, Adm-Svs-Div HS	FROM TAG
	DATE 18 Aug 1948
	COMMENT No. 1 Guthrie/ma/73698

TO CO, Rec Adm Cen, AGO
 Building 101
 St. Louis 20, Missouri

1. The Director, Recovered Personnel Division, Philippines Command, is endeavoring to assemble in that command all medical and clinical records and reports of physical examinations pertaining to Philippine Army (USAFFE), Philippine Guerrilla, and Filipino civilian personnel, for the period 15 August 1941 to 30 June 1946. In this connection, representatives of the Philippines Command, presently on temporary duty in this office, have requested that all medical and clinical records available in The Adjutant General's Office pertaining to the aforementioned Filipino personnel, for the period 15 August 1941 to 30 June 1946, be forwarded direct to the Commanding General, Philippines Command, ATTENTION: Recovered Personnel Division, APO 707.

2. It is understood from a representative of the Demobilized Personnel Records Branch (Mr. Malsey) that a considerable volume of medical records and reports of physical examinations of Philippine Army personnel exists in that branch. Further, it is believed that there may exist some clinical records on Filipino personnel in the Civilian Records Branch, and some medical records of Filipino civilians in the Civilian Personnel Records Branch. It is therefore desired that existing medical and Clinical records and reports of physical examination pertaining to Filipino personnel for the period 15 August 1941 to 30 June 1946 which can be readily identified and segregated be forwarded direct to the Commanding General, Philippines Command, ATTENTION: Recovered Personnel Division, APO 707.

3. Classified disposition form dated 19 May 1948, subject: "Distribution of Medical Records," is amended to permit the forwarding of medical and clinical records of Filipino personnel for the period 15 August 1941 to 30 June 1946 direct to the Commanding General, Philippines Command, ATTENTION: Recovered Personnel Division, APO 707.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WITSELL:

/s/ Sidney F. Mashbir
 SIDNEY F. MASHBIR, Col, AGD
 Executive Officer, AGO

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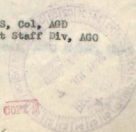
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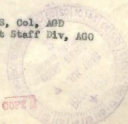
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PHILIPPINES - RYUKYUS COMMAND
APO 707



SUBJECT: Effective Date of Insurance Granted Philippine Army Personnel

TO: The Adjutant General
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Information is requested as to the policy followed by the War Department in determining the effective date of contract National Service Life Insurance granted members of the Philippine Commonwealth Army in the service of the United States Armed Forces, in 1942, prior to the surrender of the Philippines.
2. This headquarters has on file an alphabetical listing of names, compiled by the War Department, of individuals who, in 1942, signified their intent to take out National Service Life Insurance and who are deemed to have been granted such insurance.
3. In certifying information concerning insurance of individuals who were formerly members of the USAFFE to the Manila Regional Office of the Veterans Administration, it was discovered that numerous individuals died, or were determined to have died, prior to the effective date of their insurance indicated in the list referred to in paragraph 2 above.
4. It is believed that it was the intent of the War Department to grant insurance coverage to individuals in the service of the Armed Forces of the United States, from the date of application; however, individuals who have been determined to have died prior to the determined effective date of their insurance, will not be covered by these benefits.
5. It is requested that authority be granted this headquarters to revise the effective date of insurance of such individuals to a date prior to the determined date of death where available information indicates that application was made.
6. Pending the receipt of information as requested above, cases of this nature will be suspended.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

H. R. GILBERT, Lt Col, AGD
Asst Adj Gen

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SUBJECT: Effective Date of Insurance Granted Philippine Army Veterans

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Washington 25, D. C.

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5. It is requested that authority be granted to revise the effective date of insurance of individuals who have died prior to the determined date of their insurance to the date of application for such insurance.

6. Pending the receipt of information, it is requested that this matter will be responded.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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RE Microfilm reels of records recovered in
Philippine Islands

SEE Folder PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, RECOVERED RECORDS
(Re Personnel & Activities in Philippine
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FILE Philippine Army
Philippine Scouts
Guerrillas

RECORDS ADMINISTRATION CENTER
Demobilized Personnel Records Branch
St. Louis 20, Missouri

23 April 1948

MEMORANDUM:

Subject: Microfilm Copies of Records Covered in the Philippine Islands

1. This branch has recently received 118 reels of microfilm copies of records recovered in the Philippine Islands. These films contain information pertaining to members of the United States Army including Philippine Scouts, the Philippine Army, the Philippine Guerrilla and civilians in the Philippine Islands or under the control of the Japanese Army during World War II. The following is a partial list of the records contained in subject microfilms:

- Alien Registration cards
- Allotments
- Atrocities
- Awards
- Bataan - Surrender documents
- Casualties
- Deaths in Japanese Prisoners of War Camps and Hospitals
- Decorations
- Dental reports
- Diaries - Personal and Unit
- Histories
- Killed in action
- Medical records (Military and Civilian)
- Narratives
- Nurses
- Payrolls (civilian)
- Personnel Rosters, including American Prisoners of War
- Prisoners of War - American
- Ship Crews
- Vouchers, Miscellaneous

2. Request for information from subject microfilms of records will be addressed to Miscellaneous Records Unit, DPRB, Building 103.

BY ORDER OF THE CHIEF OF BRANCH:

J. R. Kenney
J. R. KENNEY
Chief Clerk

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SUPERVISORS:

Beginning Tuesday, February 24, 1948, all VA Forms 3101 requesting information on Philippine Scouts and Philippine Army will be completed in the Sub-section and forwarded with the records direct to Mr. Edwards VA Liaison Office for review before dispatch.

All cases forwarded in this ^{manner} matter are to have charges changed on the records, in order that they may be located if the occasion arises.

M. M. Doyle

Chief Clerk,
WW II Personnel Records Section

20 February 1948

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- FOR: Procedure for furnishing Information to Veterans Administration in cases of "Project J Personnel" (U.S. Military Personnel who served on Wake, Guam, Netherlands, E. Indies or Philippines.
- SEE: D/F dated 16 Jan 48, comment no 1, dated 6 Feb 48—Subject "Furnishing Information to VA, filed in binder VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

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DEPARTMENTS OF THE ARMY AND
THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C., 8 March 1948

Effective until 8 September 1949 unless sooner rescinded or superseded

PHILIPPINE SERVICE RIBBONS

1. Award.—The Government of the Republic of the Philippines has proffered the following service ribbons to personnel of the Army of the United States who are eligible therefor under the conditions established:

a. *Philippine Defense Ribbon* (fig. 1).—(A silk moire ribbon 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width composed of a red stripe ($\frac{1}{32}$ inch), a white stripe ($\frac{3}{16}$ inch), red band ($\frac{1}{16}$ inch), a white stripe ($\frac{3}{16}$ inch) and a red stripe ($\frac{1}{32}$ inch); in the center of the red band, three white stars $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch circumscribed diameter centers placed on extremities of an imaginary equilateral triangle $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch on each side with one point of each star outward and centered in radiate center lines.) For service in the defense of the Philippines from 8 December 1941 to 15 June 1942.

b. *Philippine Liberation Ribbon* (fig. 2).—(A silk moire ribbon 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width composed of a red band ($\frac{1}{16}$ inch), blue stripe ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch), white stripe ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch), and red band ($\frac{1}{16}$ inch)). For service in the liberation of the Philippines from 17 October 1944 to 3 September 1945.

c. *Philippine Independence Ribbon* (fig. 3).—(A silk moire ribbon 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width, composed of a yellow stripe ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch), blue stripe ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch), red stripe ($\frac{3}{32}$ inch), white stripe ($\frac{3}{16}$ inch), red stripe ($\frac{3}{32}$ inch), blue stripe ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch), and yellow stripe ($\frac{1}{8}$ inch)). For service in the Philippine Islands on 4 July 1946.

2. Acceptance.—Acceptance of such ribbons and the wearing of same by eligible personnel is authorized.

3. Requirements.—a. *Philippine Defense Ribbon.*

(1) All members of the Philippine Army, including the Philippine Constabulary, on active duty and all members of the armed forces of the United States and of nations allied or associated with the United States in the war against the Japanese Empire are eligible if—

(a) They participated in any engagement against the enemy on Philippine territory, in Philippine waters, or in the air over the Philippines or over Philippine waters, during the period from 8 December 1941 to 15 June 1942.

(b) They were assigned or stationed in Philippine territory or in Philippine waters for not less than 30 days during the period from 8 December 1941 to 15 June 1942.

(2) Individuals eligible under (1) (a) and (b) above are authorized to wear a bronze service star on the ribbon.

(3) An individual will be considered as having participated in combat if—

(a) He was a member of the defense garrison of the Bataan Peninsula or of the fortified islands at the entrance to Manila Bay.

(b) He was a member of and present with a unit actually under enemy fire or air attack.

(c) He served on a ship which was under enemy fire or air attack.

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(d) He was a crew member or passenger in an airplane which was under enemy aerial or ground fire.

A. Philippine Liberation Ribbon.

(1) All members of the Philippine Army, including the Philippine Constabulary, on active duty and all members of the armed forces of the United States and of nations allied or associated with the United States in the war against the Japanese Empire are eligible if—

(a) They participated in the landing operations on Leyte or Mindanao which were completed on 20 October 1944. An individual will be considered as having participated in such operations if he landed on Leyte or adjoining islands, was on a Philippine warship, or was a crew member of an airplane which flew over Philippine territory during such period.

(b) They participated in any engagement against the enemy during the campaign. An individual will be considered as having participated in combat under the conditions as set forth in (3) (b), (c), and (d) above.

(c) They served in the Philippine Islands or on ships in Philippine waters for not less than 30 days during the period from 17 October 1944 to 3 September 1945.

(d) They participated in any engagement against the enemy on islands other than those included in (a) above during the campaign. An individual will be considered as having participated in combat under the conditions as set forth in (3) (b), (c), and (d) above.

(2) Individuals eligible under more than one of the provisions stated in ribbon for each additional provision under which they are eligible for the initial award of the ribbon.

a. Philippine Independence Ribbon.—All members of the Philippine Army, armed forces of the United States, on active duty and all members of the United States who were on active duty in Philippine territory, including its territorial waters, on 4 July 1940. (For purposes of determining active duty service, members of the armed forces of the United States undergoing confinement as general prisoners on 4 July 1940 will not be considered as eligible for this award. Only individuals assigned and physically present for duty on 4 July 1940 are eligible.)

4. Description of bronze service star.—The bronze service star authorized for wear on the ribbons shall be a five-pointed star 4.75 millimeters ($\frac{3}{16}$ inch) in diameter.

5. Recording of eligibility for service ribbons.—Commanders concerned will make appropriate entries in Service Records (WD AGO Form 24 or 24A) (see TM 12-423), Soldier's Qualification Records (WD AGO Form 20) (see TM 12-423A), and Officers' Qualification Records (WD AGO Form 90) (see TM 12-423A), referring to service rendered by the individual and to this circular (AF letter) as specific authority for the award. No other authority than proper entries in the service records and qualification cards and records is required for the wearing of these service ribbons.

6. Wearing.—The authorized ribbons will be worn as prescribed in paragraphs 30 and 32 AR 600-65.

7. Availability of ribbons.—The Philippine Defense Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Ribbon, and Philippine Independence Ribbon are not available for issuance by the Department of the Army nor is it contemplated to stock such ribbons for issuance to eligible personnel. They may be purchased from dealers in military devices located in principal cities and many small towns throughout the United States and its possessions.

8. Unavailability of medals.—At present no medals are available for the service represented by the three ribbons listed in paragraph 7. However, if and when such medals become available, plans for their distribution will be announced.



Figure 1.



Figure 2.



Figure 3.

[AG 200.9 (10 Feb 41)]

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARIES OF THE ARMY AND THE AIR FORCE:

OFFICIAL:
EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General

OMAR N. BRADLEY
Chief of Staff, United States Army

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H. G. CULTON
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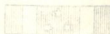


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3 March 1948

TO: Manager, Manila Regional Office
Veterans Administration
APO 900, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

SUBJECT: Photostat copies of Medical Records of Philippine Army
and Philippine Guerrilla Personnel

There are being sent via airmail today, under separate cover,
16 packages of medical cards covering treatment of Philippine
Army and Philippine Guerrilla personnel as follows:

Packages 1 thru 8, Philippine Army (4350 cards)

Packages 9 thru 16, Philippine Guerrilla (5550 cards).

E. C. GAULT
Colonel, AGC
Commanding *EG*

Copies furnished
Mr. Edwards (Va Liaison)
Mr. Davis (Capt. Int. Sec.)
Mr. Linger

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26 Feb 48.

Miss Peterson:

Subject: Medical Cards pertaining to Philippine
Army, and Philippine Guerilla.

1. The following medical cards have
been forwarded to The Photo Processing
Section, Attention Capt Scott, for photostating,
a. Philippine Army 4350
b. Philippine Guerilla 5500.

2. The ultimate disposition of the medical
cards will be as follows:

a. The original cards will be forwarded
to Headquarters WWII Personnel Records
Section for permanent custody.

b. The photostatic copies will be
forwarded to VA Regional Office, Manila
P. I.

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December 3, 1947

TO: Manager
Manila Regional Office
Veterans Administration
APO 900, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

SUBJ: Final Physical Examinations of Members of the Philippine Army

1. Reference is made to your letter of October 29, 1947, regarding the subject.
2. Because the original forms WD AGO 38 pertaining to members of the Philippine Army will be needed by the War Department for various purposes, particularly that of reconstructing lost records of service, it has been decided that your office will be furnished photostatic copies of these forms. Up to the present time almost 6,000 have been received, and a sampling indicates that most of these pertain to discharges accomplished during the summer of 1946.
3. Photostating will begin within a few days and the copies will be forwarded to your office as soon as possible.

SEARLES EDWARDS
Liaison Officer

18 November 1947

Mr. Kenney:

We now have on file in Headquarters, Personnel Records Section, records on 5,961 men who served with the Philippine Army during World War II. In very few of these cases do we have any record other than the physical examination at separation.

It is believed impractical to forward what records we have to the Veterans Administration Regional Office in Manila. Several months back we were directed not to furnish to the Veterans Administration physical examinations at separation, and the practice is now to have these records photostated whenever needed in adjudication of claims in the VA.

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Chief Clerk

WW II Personnel Records Section

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Miss Doyle:

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SUBJ: FINAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS of the Philippine Army

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3. To comply with your suggestion that a list be made of all former Philippine Army personnel whose claims are currently under our jurisdiction and on whom Forms 38 have not been furnished would entail a considerable amount of work as practically every case would have to be reviewed and this office does not have adequate personnel therefor. Since the reports were recently received by the Records Administration Center, it is possible that they may not have been filed and therefore our request that they be forwarded to this office promptly can be complied with.
4. Your prompt attention to the foregoing will be appreciated as it will definitely be of material assistance in the adequate adjudication of claims.

Earle N. Sawyer
EARLE N. SAWYER
Acting Manager



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Manila Regional Office
APO 900, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

October 29, 1947

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TO : Liaison Officer
Records Administration Center, AGO
4300 Goodfellow Boulevard
St. Louis 20, Missouri

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION
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October 1, 1947

TO: Manager
Veterans Administration Regional Office
A.P.O. 900
c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Cal.

SUBJ: Final Physical Examinations of Members of the Philippine Army

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2. Inasmuch as you have previously received negative replies to many requests for these records, it is suggested that you forward this office a duplicate, alphabetized list of all former Philippine Army men whose claims are now under your jurisdiction for whom forms 38 are desired but have not been furnished. This list should include the veteran's name, Army serial number, claim number, date of discharge, and organization at time of discharge. Upon receipt of your list, Demobilized Personnel Records Branch will check the names against the records it has received and forward you all records available.
3. Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

SEARLES EDWARDS
Liaison Officer

cc: Mr. Maley ✓

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Mr Kenney:

Subject: Medical Records, Philippine Army.

Mr. Gross, ORP has made a search of the records of 103 hospitals which at one time or another during The War were stationed in the Philippine Islands. This search failed to locate any medical records, other than approximately, one locker box of forms 52 series and 55 series pertaining to members of The American Army.

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<p>Pending receipt of list referred in letter of 1 Oct 47 to Manager VA Regional Office, APO 900 0 P.M. San Francisco, Cal. by Seales Edwards, VA Liaison Officer, the attached papers, and other records from time to time, pertaining to members of the Philippine Army, will be held in the Admin Sub Sect.</p>			
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Melva Mae Boyd

P.S. Colonel Niles, VA Liaison Officer, should also be notified as to our discovery on Philippine Army records.

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1 October 1947

Mrs. Enright:

During the past week, several hundred War Department AGO Forms No. 38, Physical Examination at Separation From Service, have been received in DPRB (source unknown) on men who served with the military forces of the United States during the emergency and transferred back to the Commonwealth of the Philippines about July 1, 1946. Search has been made in the files of DPRB for other records pertaining to these men who served in the Philippine Army, and nothing has been found in the majority of cases.

You will probably recall the discussion that was held in conference in Washington on May 19th of this year, when Miss Nevitt stated that large numbers of claims were pending in the Veterans Administration Regional Office in Manila, and that so far no information could be obtained by that office pertaining to either the men's military service or medical treatment received during such service.

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26 September 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MALEY

Subject: Philippine Army

President Roosevelt issued a military order on July 30, 1941, which ordered into the service of the Armed Forces of the United States, for the period of the emergency, all of the organized military forces of the government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines.

Very few military records have been received in this office of men who served in the above-mentioned category, and reports furnished to the Veterans Administration Regional Office at Manila, to be used in adjudication of claims, have been very unsatisfactory. During the conference between War Department and Veterans Administration representatives which was held in Washington on 19th and 20th of May, these records were discussed at length, and Miss Nevitt of the Veterans Administration stated that the VA Regional Office officials in Manila had attempted to obtain affidavits from residents of the Philippine Islands in order to establish military service on a number of the claimants of that region. However, due to the false statements discovered in the affidavits, it was decided to abandon this system.

During the summer of 1943 a great many medical cards were received in Demobilized Personnel Records Branch showing treatment of men who served in the Philippine Army. These cards were searched and, where military records had been previously received, they were filed. Contact was made at that time with Mr. Utrecht and Mr. Hamilton of the Enlisted Branch, and information was received that they had set up a file containing medical cards of Philippine Army men and that any cards received in DFRB should be forwarded there for file. It was later found that Casualty Branch maintained 201 files of Philippine Army men who had been reported as casualties. However, the primary records (enlistment papers and service records) of men who served in this capacity, in most instances, have never reached this office. Operations Branch attempted, through the Philippine Department, to obtain information on military service, but in May, when I was in Washington, I was informed that these efforts had been unsuccessful. On 23rd and 24th of September, hundreds of War Department AGO Forms No. 38 were delivered to this branch (source unknown). Upon examination of these records, it was found that the physical examinations were given in various APO hospitals during the early summer of 1946, just prior to the date the Philippine Army men

were transferred to the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of the Philippine Islands. Practically all of the physical examinations received in this section show rank and complete organization of the men.

It is believed that this office should initiate action to have all claims now pending in Manila researched, with the idea of building up a record on as many as possible of these men. This matter was discussed by me with Mr. Edwards and we agreed that a list showing names of men whose claims are pending, furnished by the VA Regional Office in Manila, would probably be the most expeditious and satisfactory way of handling these researches. It will be quite an undertaking for this office, as I have been informed that hundreds of claims are now pending in that office.

Attached are Forms 38 for which we have no records on file.

Doyle
/s/ M. M. Doyle
Chief Clerk
WW II Personnel Records Section

Inclosures
WD AGO Forms 38
(Philippine Army)

11 December 1947

MEMORANDUM:

Subject: Verification of Philippine Army (including guerrilla)
Service for Insurance and Other Purposes

1. Reference is made to Disposition Form dated 24 November 1947, subject as above, copy of which was furnished you 3 December 1947.
2. Requests received in this branch from Veterans' Administration for verification of Philippine Army (including guerrilla) service will be routed to WW II Correspondence Section for disposition as follows:
 - a. Requests will be referred for action to the Veterans Administration Regional Office, Veterans Administration Building, David and Escolta, Manila, Philippine Islands.
 - b. The Central Office, Veterans Administration, Vermont Avenue and "I" Street, N.W., Washington 25, D.C., will be notified of all cases that are referred as directed above. Such notification will include the name of the individual on whom the information is requested, and identity of the Veterans Administration office from which the requests was received.

BY ORDER OF THE CHIEF OF BRANCH:

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TO CO, Rec Adm Cen. AGO
Building 101
St. Louis 20, Missouri

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BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WITSELL:

/s/ E. H. Burger/RDS
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See Page 941, Volume 26 June 1947, Decisions of The Comptroller General of The United States.

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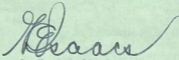
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ADMINISTRATOR'S DECISION, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, NO. 746.

May 23, 1947.

Subject: ENTITLEMENT TO COMPENSATION UNDER THE LAWS GOVERNING THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION OF FORMER MEMBERS OF THE PHILIPPINE ARMY, INCLUDING THOSE HAVING GUERRILLA SERVICE.

QUESTION PRESENTED: Are persons who served with the so-called recognized guerrilla forces in the Philippines subsequent to December 7, 1941, entitled to compensation for disability incurred in such service and are there any limitations with reference to compensation benefits to former members of the Philippine Army for disability incurred between parole after capture and date of reporting back for duty?

FACTS: In opinion of July 16, 1946, in C-5,527,958, the Solicitor, Veterans Administration, on the question whether there was authority to award pension benefits to persons serving with so-called recognized guerrilla forces in the Philippines subsequent to December 7, 1941, held that:

"There can be no question as to the status of members of the organized Philippine Army of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines who were called or ordered into the service of the armed forces of the United States in valid orders by the General, United States Army, designated by the Secretary of War, pursuant to and in compliance with the Military Order of the President of the United States dated July 26, 1941, as such orders must be deemed to be acceptance of members of the organized Philippine Army for active service in the military or naval forces of the United States from and after date of such orders within the meaning of the definition of the term 'person who served' as contained in paragraph III, Veterans Regulation No. 10. Members of the Philippine Army who acquired the necessary status by reason of having been ordered into the service of the armed forces of the United States and who thereafter were separated from their organization and operated as guerrillas would be comprehended by the term 'person who served,' and the service of such persons as guerrillas, when properly established, would be active service for the purposes of Public No. 2, 73rd Congress, subject, however, to the provisions of Public Law 301, 79th Congress, supra, restricting payment of such benefits to those provided for service connected disability or death and directing that such pensions shall be paid at the rate of one Philippine peso for each dollar authorized to be paid under the laws providing for such pensions.

"Civilians, generally, who took up arms in the defense of their country against the invading Japanese, operating as guerrillas, and who were not a part of a unit of the organized or reorganized Philippine Army at the time such unit was called or ordered into the service of the armed forces of the United States, would not be comprehended within the term 'person who served' for the purpose of establishing entitlement to benefits under Public No. 2, 73rd Congress, as amended, although it is indicated that an effort was made by the President of the Philippines to confer a military status on members of such groups through the issuance of Executive Order No. 21, October 28, 1944, reading in part as follows:

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"1. All persons, of any nationality or citizenship, who are actively serving in recognized military forces in the Philippines, are hereby considered to be on active service in the Philippine Army.

"4. The date of entry into active service in the Philippine Army will be that of joining a recognized military force.'

"It is essential, in the adjudication of claims for benefits under laws administered by the Veterans Administration, that evidence of service in the armed forces of the United States be the official records of the service department having jurisdiction over the branch of service in which the claimant served. After the reoccupation of the Philippines, official reports concerning military services of veterans of the Philippine Commonwealth Army were furnished the Veterans Administration Regional office in Manila through United States Army Headquarters in the Philippines. Upon receipt of information from the Manager at Manila to the effect that records of the Philippine Commonwealth Army, including the cases of recognized guerrillas would not continue to channel through United States Army Headquarters since it had been determined that the Missing Persons Act, Public Law 490, 77th Congress, was not applicable to such services, the matter was taken up with the War Department and in a letter dated June 6, 1946, addressed to the Administration, the Secretary of War advised that instructions had been dispatched that date to the Commanding General, United States Armed Forces Western Pacific, for the continuation of channeling the records of service for personnel of the Philippine Commonwealth Army, including cases of recognized guerrillas, through his headquarters to the Veterans Administration Regional office in Manila as heretofore. In conclusion, and in specific response to the question presented, you are advised that there is authority to award pension benefits subject to the limitations prescribed in Public Law 301, 79th Congress, February 18, 1946, to persons who served in recognized guerrilla forces subsequent to December 7, 1941, provided it is established from the records of the service department concerned that such persons served in a component of the Philippine Commonwealth Army which was ordered into the service of the armed forces of the United States in valid orders issued by the General Officer, United States Army, designated by the Secretary of War pursuant to and in compliance with the military order of the President dated July 26, 1941."

Following this opinion, representative cases were secured typifying the various situations under which individuals served in the guerrilla forces; such cases were developed with the Army in the Philippines, and contained certifications by qualified officers as to the membership of the veterans concerned in a component of the Philippine Army which was ordered into the service of the Armed Forces of the United States in valid orders issued by the General Officer, United States Army, designated by the Secretary of War, pursuant to and in compliance with the Military Order of the President dated July 26, 1941.

These cases present two specific problems, to wit: (1) the status of an individual whose service as a guerrilla has been recognized by the War Department, and who is claiming benefits under the laws administered by the Veterans Administration for disease or disability incurred during guerrilla service, and (2) the status of those members of the Philippine Army, called into the service of the armed forces of the

United States under the Military Order of the President of July 26, 1941, who, having been captured by the Japanese were paroled, returned home and there awaited the return of the American Army, who are presently claiming benefits for injury or disease incurred after parole and prior to reporting for duty following American return. This second problem also involved the status of those members of the Philippine Army who, after parole, participated in guerrilla activities.

COMMENT: It has been ascertained that as of November 26, 1946, 1,069,664 individuals had submitted claims as having been members of 1142 guerrilla units; that of this number 221 units and 137 individual guerrillas, totalling 246,981 individuals have been recognized; that 593 units (417,887 individuals), are now under investigation or are awaiting investigation; that 328 units (404,796 individuals) have been denied recognition. It is estimated by the War Department that when investigations have been completed, approximately 338,000 individuals will have been recognized as having had guerrilla service.

The Secretary of War in a letter dated January 23, 1947, concerning statutory authority for the recognition of guerrillas by that Department advised that the same was based upon

" * * Tydings-McDuffy Act, accepted by the Philippine legislature on the 1st of May 1934, which provided for Commonwealth government in the Philippines until its independence on 4 July 1946. Included in that Act was a provision that the President of the United States might call into the service of the Armed Forces of the United States in the Philippines all military forces organized by the Commonwealth. Under the provisions of this Act, the President of the United States issued an Executive Order on 26 July 1941, calling all military forces organized by the Commonwealth 'into the service of the Armed Forces of the United States in the Philippines.' In Executive Order No. 21, dated 28 October 1944, the President of the Philippine Commonwealth decreed that 'all persons, of any nationality or citizenship, who are actively serving in recognized military forces in the Philippines, are hereby considered to be on active service in the Philippine Army. . . . A recognized military force, as used herein, is defined as a force under a commander who has been appointed, designated, or recognized by the Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area.' * * "

It is obvious from the foregoing, that the War Department's recognition of guerrilla service is based upon acceptance of Executive Order No. 21 of the President of the Philippines as conferring on such individuals a status in the organized Philippine Army. The Order has been given a retroactive effect to cover guerrilla activities during the period of the Japanese occupation of the Philippines. In a letter dated January 5, 1946, from the Acting Secretary of War to the President of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, it was stated:

" * * In reviewing your letter and the related papers in the War Department on this subject, there is noted your issuance of two Executive Orders on 28 October 1944, one (Executive Order 21) providing that all persons actively serving in recognized military forces in the Philippines were conceded to be on active service in the Philippine Army and the other (Executive Order 22) prescribing salary rates for officers and enlisted men of the Philippine Army on the same basis as prescribed for the United States Army. The War Department made no objection to the provisions of Executive Order 21, although under its terms it made eligible

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for pay and allowances large numbers of personnel not provided for by the War Department in requesting funds from the Congress for the maintenance of the Philippine Army. * * * *

NOTE: In statement to the President on December 29, 1945, the Secretary of War reported that:

" * * Under Executive Order 21, Filipinos and others who had been in any way connected with the guerrilla movement in the Philippines, were brought into the Philippine Army and immediately made eligible for all pay and allowances accruing during the Japanese occupation, dependent upon satisfactory proof of participation in the guerrilla movement. The actual number so serving and brought into the Philippine Army has not been definitely established. Although estimates of the number involved have run from 100,000 to 600,000 General MacArthur's headquarters believes that 200,000 represents the maximum number who can establish satisfactory claims for back pay and allowances.***"

The opinion of July 16, 1946 (C-5,527,958), held that the military status conferred upon guerrillas generally by Executive Order No. 21 of the President of the Philippines did not bring such persons within the term "person who served" for the purpose of establishing entitlement to benefits under Public No. 2, 73d Congress, as amended. Which ones, so brought into the Commonwealth Army, were ordered into the armed forces of the United States, was not shown by the data available. It is clear that no one can have rights under the compensation laws except for disability or death incurred in or resulting from active service in the armed forces of the United States. It therefore becomes necessary to consider the status of the several categories presented.

As to the status under laws administered by the Veterans Administration of those members of the Philippine Army who were ordered into the Military Service of the armed forces of the United States under the Executive Order of the President of the United States of July 26, 1941, and who, having been captured by the Japanese were paroled, who are claiming compensation for disease or disability incurred or aggravated subsequent to parole, it is for particular note that the War Department denies any pay to such persons for any period subsequent to the date of the parole and prior to reporting back to the American Forces. Staff Memorandum No. 14, of Headquarters United States Army Forces Western Pacific Recovered Personnel Division, dated December 27, 1945, provides, in part:

"2. d. A person who was captured and imprisoned or interned by the enemy, but was thereafter released will be determined not in a casualty status and not entitled to pay from the date of his release until the date he actively joined a guerrilla force, or actively participated in the anti-Japanese movement, or returned to military control.

"e. A person whose active service in or for the military forces of the United States was terminated as a result of the enemy occupation and who was permitted to return to his home and pursue a normal mode of living, will be determined not in a casualty status and not entitled to pay after the date of termination of such active service."

It is believed that this question arises because of a belief on the part of Philippine Army personnel that the parole given them by the Japanese was void and of no

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force or effect. See in this connection memorandum of December 8, 1944, of the Headquarters, United States Army In The Far East, reading in part:

"2. Any 'parole' or 'oath' signed by such personnel as a condition of release by the enemy from prisoner of war status will be considered as having been signed under duress and as of no validity. Such personnel remains subject to the orders of the Commanding General, USAFFE, and will be assigned to appropriate duty in the Philippine Army units.

By command of General MacArthur:"

On July 9, 1946, Headquarters, United States Army, Western Pacific, Office of the Commanding General, advised the Chief of Staff, United States Army that:

" * * R. While not free from doubt this Headquarters is of the opinion that under existing law and in the absence of a special statute such as the Missing Persons Act, members of the Philippine Army:

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"d. Are not entitled to receive pay for any period after their release or parole by the Japanese. * * "

A memorandum from the Chief, Military Affairs Group, dated October 28, 1946, to the Judge Advocate General, United States Army, on the specific question of the validity of such paroles holds a "Japanese Imperial Army parole required of members of the armed forces of the United States in the Philippines, including Philippine Army personnel in US service," was valid.

The Secretary of War has since advised the President that:

" * * it is my intention to continue in force my previous ruling that there is no entitlement to pay during the period spent in their own habitations subsequent to parole from prisoner of war camps. * * "

An individual, whom the War Department holds in a non-pay status by virtue of acceptance of parole from the Japanese Army, is not in the active military service of the United States within the meaning of the laws administered by the Veterans Administration for any period subsequent to the date of such parole and prior to the return of such individual to the control of the military forces of the United States. The status of such an individual during such parole may well be compared to that of a member of the armed forces of the United States who accepts an industrial or agricultural furlough which has been held not to be active service. (Administrator's Decision 99.) Thus, as to disability or disease incurred after parole and prior to reporting back to American Forces, there is no entitlement under the laws administered by the Veterans Administration.

With respect to those members of components of the Commonwealth Army ordered into the armed forces of the United States before or immediately after Pearl Harbor, the service of such persons during the campaign prior to capitulation, while in captivity and subsequent to the above dates while any such person was serving in either the regular forces of the United States, or in an irregular force under a commissioned officer

of the United States Army, Navy or Marine Corps, or of a component of the Commonwealth Army ordered into the forces of the United States, is included within the law. Any member of such component who was paroled by the Japanese forces and did not serve thereafter in any regular or irregular forces can count only the period of time prior to such parole. Any such person who did later serve in a regular or irregular force can count only the time while so serving in addition to that prior to parole. In other words, all of the time the person was paroled is excluded. Any person who never served in the regular component forces of the Commonwealth Army prior to surrender may be eligible if he served in an irregular force under a commissioned officer of the United States Army, Navy or Marine Corps, or a commissioned officer of the Commonwealth Army recognized by and cooperating with or ordered into the United States forces.

However, a person serving, at the time of injury in a guerrilla force may not be considered, by virtue of such service alone as having the necessary Commonwealth Army status and as having been ordered into and as serving with the armed forces of the United States. Executive Order No. 21 of the President of the Philippines dated October 28, 1944, has absolutely no determinative effect on this question. The fact of service in the armed forces of the United States must be shown by the record or certification of the United States armed forces. Such certification would not preclude requirement of additional evidence if deemed necessary.

Independently of said Executive Order No. 21, it seems clear that any person recruited by, and serving under, an officer of the armed forces of the United States (including recognized components of the Commonwealth Army ordered into the service of the United States) pursuant to orders of the commanding officer of the theatre was in the active service of the United States. The Executive Order may have been considered by the Commanding General a convenient means of establishing such fact.

The foregoing does not, however, dispose of one principal issue presented by the cases examined. That issue arises because members of the Philippine Army called into the service of the armed forces of the United States by the Executive Order of the President of July 26, 1941, were not, so far as can be ascertained, physically examined at the time of muster into such service, and certainly, none of such guerrillas, even if ordered in, were or could have been examined. The well known history of legislation affording a presumption of soundness as of date of enlistment, induction, or muster into active Federal service, shows such presumption to be based upon examination at time of entrance in active service.

In this connection, it has been noted that the Philippine Air Corps was called in on August 15, 1941; that by September 1, 1941, one complete infantry regiment in each of the ten organized reserve divisions had been inducted; that the First and Second Philippine Constabulary Regiments had been inducted and a First Infantry Division, Regular, had also been inducted. When the war broke on December 8, 1941 (Philippine time), mobilization was incomplete, the last units having been called for by the 15th of December. The mobilization date for all remaining units was announced as being effective immediately and reservists were ordered to report to the nearest unit or mobilization center. There was no opportunity for physical examination and apparently no such examinations were conducted.

The question of the sound condition of individuals entering the Army under such conditions and the application of the presumption of sound condition and of service origin (Section 9, Public Law 144, 78th Congress) arises immediately. Obviously, when the laws concerning sound condition, presumption of service incurrence, etc., were enacted, no thought was given to the possibility of a situation such as that illustrated above, but only to recruitment of the armed services of the United States, upon acceptance and enrollment after physical examination.

It is therefore apparent that the claim of a member of the Philippine Army who was ordered into the service of the armed forces of the United States under the Military Order of the President of the United States of July 26, 1941, may not be given the benefit of a presumption of sound condition, unless it is of record that he was medically examined at the time of entry into the armed forces of the United States.

HELD: 1. Any member of the Commonwealth Army who was ordered into and served in the armed forces of the United States, or any person who served in such forces, is potentially entitled to benefits under the applicable laws; the fact of such service being shown by the record, or certification of the United States armed forces. It must be shown in any case that at the time injury (disease) or death occurred:

- a. The person was serving in the armed forces of the United States either individually or as a member in a component of the Commonwealth Army ordered into such service, or
 - b. That he was serving, albeit in an irregular force, under a commissioned officer of the United States Army, Navy, or Marine Corps; or under a commissioned officer of the Commonwealth Army recognized by, and cooperating with the United States forces.
2. Unless the record shows examination at time of entrance into the armed forces of the United States such persons are not entitled to the presumption of soundness.
3. Any period of parole is not for any such purpose to be considered as active service in the armed forces of the United States. (Opinions of the Solicitor, Veterans Administration, February 18, 1947, and March 11, 1947, approved April 16, 1947.)

This decision is hereby promulgated for observance by all officers and employees of the Veterans Administration.

Omar N. Bradley

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General, U. S. Army,
Administrator of Veterans Affairs.

HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND

GSAPA 200.8/13

APO 707

23 January 1947

SUBJECT: Voluntary Discharge of Philippine Scout Enlisted Personnel.

TO: See Distribution

1. The current unsettled economic conditions, the high cost of living, and the reorganization of Philippine industry and agriculture, have resulted in numerous requests by Philippine Scout personnel for immediate discharge.
2. In order to keep from working a hardship on deserving personnel, the following policy relative to voluntary discharges is announced. Any Philippine Scout enlisted person desiring discharge who is not awaiting trial, result of trial, or undergoing a sentence of courts-martial will, upon his application, be honorably discharged from the service. Authority for effecting discharge will be AR 615-365, as surplus to the needs of the Army.
3. All applications for discharge under the provisions of this circular must be in command channels prior to 28 February 1947.
4. Authority to order discharge is delegated to the commanders specified in paragraph 6, AR 615-360.
5. All major subordinate commands will report to this headquarters by 15 February 1947, the estimated number of enlisted men that will be affected by this authority.
6. All Philippine Scout enlisted personnel will be immediately informed of this opportunity to secure voluntary discharge.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL MOORE:

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/s/ & /t/ JOHN R. SPARK
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BULLETIN
No. 19

War Department
Washington 25, D. C., 22 October 1945

ARMED FORCES VOLUNTARY RECRUITMENT ACT OF 1945.

SEC. 14. The Secretary of War, with the approval of the Philippine Government, is hereby authorized to enlist in the Philippine Scouts, with pay and allowances authorized under existing law, fifty thousand men for service in the Philippine Islands, in the occupation of Japan and of lands now or formerly subject to Japan, and elsewhere in the Far East. Such enlistments shall be for three years unless sooner terminated and citizens of the Philippine Islands shall be eligible to volunteer for such service.

Approved October 6, 1945.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

Official:

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
Acting The Adjutant General

G. C. MARSHALL
Chief of Staff

BULLETIN
NO. 16

War Department
Washington 25, D.C., 9 July 1946

IV. -- MILITARY ORDER - The following military order is published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

MILITARY ORDER

Organized Military Forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines Released from the Service of the Armed Forces of T/E United States

Under and by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution of the United States, by section 2 (a) (12) of the Philippine Independence Act of March 24, 1934 (48 Stat. 457), and by the corresponding provision of the Ordinance appended to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, and as Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy of the United States, I hereby release from the service of the armed forces of the United States all of the organized military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines called and ordered into the service of the armed forces of the United States pursuant to the Military Order of July 26, 1941.

The said Military Order of July 26, 1941, is hereby revoked.

This order shall take effect at 12:00 midnight June 30, 1946.

HARRY S. TRUMAN

THE WHITE HOUSE
June 29, 1946

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CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

FOR: Discharge of Philippine Scouts, Army of the United States
for convenience of the Government prior to 3 Jul 46

SEE: WAX 91431 dated 14 June 1946

FILED: PHILIPPINE SCOUTS

FILE: Philippine Army ✓
WAX File

Mr. Wilson

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WAR DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON 25, D. C., 14 November 1945

Effective until 14 May 1947 unless sooner rescinded or superseded

Section

PAYMENTS TO PHILIPPINE ARMY PERSONNEL IN THE UNITED STATES--	
WD Cir. 158, 1945, amended.....	I
RR 1 6--Disposition of unit and headquarters funds--RR 1-6	
amended.....	II

I. PAYMENTS TO PHILIPPINE ARMY PERSONNEL IN THE UNITED STATES. Paragraph 4b, WD Circular 158, 1945, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

b. To officer personnel. Payments of pay and allowances will be vouchered on standard voucher forms used to accomplish payments of a similar type to officer personnel of the Army of the United States, but no appropriation coding will be shown thereon. All payments will be made in cash, the payee concerned to sign the cash receipt in every case. (If cash payment in a substantial amount is involved, the payee may, at his option, after receipt of same, exchange all or a portion of the cash received for a disbursing officer's Treasury check issued in exchange for cash.) Vouchers will be prepared in triplicate--an original and two carbon copies--which will be disposed of as follows: the original and first copy will be invoiced on WD Form 326-327 as a cash transfer of Army Account of Advances to 1st Lieutenant Carl Glick, FD, Symbol No. 213-505, Disbursing Division, Office of Fiscal Director, United States Army Forces in the Western Pacific, APO No. 707, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California; the second carbon copy will remain on file in the office of payment.

(AG 240 (2 Nov 45))

II. RR 1-6. DISPOSITION OF UNIT AND HEADQUARTERS FUNDS. Pending amendment of Readjustment Regulations 1-6, 16 February 1945, the following changes are made:

1. The first sentence of paragraph 15 is changed to read "Commanders of installations at which the demobilization of category IV elements is being effected are charged with the following responsibilities."

2. Second sentence of paragraph 19 is changed to read "In this connection commanding officers of installations at which demobilization is being effected will assist by providing a salvage liaison officer to expedite such disposition."

(AG 300.8 (21 Sep 45))

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

OFFICIAL:
EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
Acting The Adjutant General

G. C. MARSHALL
Chief of Staff

Philippine Army I

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ARMY SERVICE FORCES

TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO	(Service, division, or organization)	(Location)
	Operations Branch, Operating & Training Division, Mr. Lyle (Branch or unit)	(Attention)
DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED COMMUNICATION	(Originator)	10 August 1944 (Date)
	Bautista, Crisanto F. (Subject)	12,013,160 (File No.)
FROM	Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, High Point, N. C. (Service, division, or organization)	(Location) (Telephone)

The records of this branch indicate that Crisanto F. Bautista, Army serial number 12,013,160, was a member of Hq. Co., Service Troops, Philippine Army in December 1941.

In order to reply to a request from the Veterans Administration, this branch needs the date the above named organization was called into Federal service as provided by the order of the President dated 26 July 1941.

If possible, will you please get the information as outlined above, and also furnish this branch with any available publications showing data regarding the call to Federal service of other organizations of the Philippine Army?

Thomas Wilson
Assistant Chief Clerk,
Demobilized Personnel Records Branch.

Copies furnished
Miss Doyle
Miss Hagen
Mr. Gallagher

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Philippine Army

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WAR DEPARTMENT
SERVICES OF SUPPLY
OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

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File No. _____

12 August 1944

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INFORMAL ACTION SHEET

Subject Bautista, Crisanto F. 12013160

From Operations Branch, AGO 1C 882 The Pentagon 74859
(Branch or division) (Room number) (Building) (Telephone number)

To: Demobilized Personnel Records Branch High Point, N. C.
(Branch or division) (Room number) (Building) (Attention)

Remarks or indorsements:

1. No record can be found in this office of the induction into the Army of the United States of the Headquarters Company, Special Troops Philippine Army.

2. The attached inclosure contains a list of units of the Philippine Army which were inducted into the Army of the United States. The records of this office indicate that all divisions of the Philippine Army contained a Headquarters Company, Service Troops. It is possible that Crisanto F. Bautista, ASN 12013160, was a member of Headquarters Company, Service Troops of one of the numbered divisions of the Philippine Army inducted into the Army of the United States.

Wm. Johnson
Adjutant General.

2 Incls: *W*

- 1 - T.S. 10 Aug 44, Dem Pers. Rcds. Br.
- 2 - List of Units.



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INFORMAL ACTION SHEET

1. No record can be found in this office of the information from the work of the United States of the Headquarters, Special Group, Intelligence Agency.

2. The attached document contains a list of names of the individuals who were included in the work of the United States. The records of this office indicate that all divisions of the Intelligence Agency contained a Headquarters, Service Bureau. It is possible that William H. Bennett, USA, was a member of Headquarters, Service Bureau of the numbered divisions of the Intelligence Agency included in the work of the United States.



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Letter, Headquarters Philippine Department, dated 4 November 1941, mobilizes the following units of the Philippine Army for acceptance into the Army of the United States on 24 November 1941:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION OF MOBILIZATION</u>
21st Field Artillery	Bayambang, Pangasinan
41st Field Artillery	Canlubang, Laguna
71st Field Artillery (less Machine Gun Battalion)	Isabela, Negros Occidental
Machine Gun Battalion, 71st Field Artillery	Tanjay, Negros Or
81st Field Artillery (less Mortar Battalion)	Cebu City
Mortar Battalion, 81st Field Artillery	Tagbilaran, Bohol
91st Field Artillery (less Machine Gun Battalion)	Tacolban, Leyte
Machine Gun Battalion, 91st Field Artillery	Catbalogan, Samar

General Orders #21, Headquarters United States Army Forces in the Far East, dated 2 November 1941, the Second Regiment, Philippine Constabulary was inducted into the United States Army on 15 November 1941, and are assigned to the Commanding General, South Luzon Force.

General Orders #11, Headquarters United States Army Forces in the Far East, dated 24 September 1941, the following units were called into the service of the armed forces of the United States, effective 1 October 1941 and are assigned to the Commanding General, Philippine Department.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION OF MOBILIZATION</u>
11th Engineer Battalion	Tuguegarao, Cagayan
21st Engineer Battalion	Bangad, Nueva Ecija
31st Engineer Battalion	San Miguel, Bulacan
41st Engineer Battalion	Camp Murphy, Quezon City
61st Engineer Battalion	Dingle, Iloilo
71st Engineer Battalion	Binalbagan, Negros Occidental
91st Engineer Battalion	Tacolban, Leyte

General Orders #1, Headquarters United States Army Forces in the Far East, dated 6 January 1942, states "Pursuant to authority contained in War Department Radio #609, dated 26 November 1941, the following units are activated this date, and organized under T/O 70-1 (dated 1 October 1941.)"

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, I Philippine Corps
Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, II Philippine Corps
Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Visayan-Mindanao Force

General Orders #32, Headquarters United States Army Forces in the Far East, dated 25 February 1942, states "15th Infantry, 11th Division, Reserve (PA) inactivated as of 20 February 1942; personnel and equipment transferred to the 12th Infantry. Records turned in to Commanding General, Philippine Department.

General Orders #7, Headquarters United States Army Forces in the Far East, dated 9 January 1942, constitutes, effective this date, the 1st Provisional Battalion, Coast Artillery.

General Orders #6, Headquarters United States Army Forces in the Far East, dated 7 January 1942, constitutes the 2d Division (PA) consisting of:

Headquarters and Headquarters Company
Service Company
1st Regiment, Philippine Constabulary
2nd Regiment, Philippine Constabulary
4th Regiment, Philippine Constabulary
2nd Engineer Battalion
2nd Heavy Weapons Battalion
2nd Signal Company
2nd Medical Battalion

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 11th Division Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941 and inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

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Headquarters, 11th Infantry Regiment
1st Battalion
2nd Battalion
3rd Battalion
12th Infantry Regiment
13th Infantry Regiment
11th Engineer Battalion
11th Motor Transport Battalion
11th Field Artillery Regiment (less Machine Gun Battalion)
Machine Gun Battalion, 11th Field Artillery
11th Medical Battalion
11th Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Gamu, Isabela
Aparri, Cagayan
Bontoc, Mt. Prov.
Echague, Isabela
Lacag, Ilocos Norte
Vigan, Ilocos Sur
Tuguegarao, Cagayan
Gamu, Isabela
Bangue, Abra
Tuguegarao, Cagayan
Trinidad, Benguet
Trinidad, Benguet

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 21st Division Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941 and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

21st Infantry Regiment
22nd Infantry Regiment (less 1st Battalion)
1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment
23rd Infantry Regiment
21st Engineer Battalion
21st Motor Transport Battalion
21st Quartermaster Company
21st Field Artillery Regiment
21st Medical Battalion
21st Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Lingayen, Pangasinan
Munacag, Pangasinan
Maguilian, La Union
Bangad, Nueva Ecija
Bangad, Nueva Ecija
Camp Ord, Tarlac
Camp Ord, Tarlac
Bayambang, Pangasinan
Camp Ord, Tarlac
Camp Ord, Tarlac

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 31st Division will be called into active service on 25 August 1941, and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

Headquarters and 1st Battalion, 31st Infantry Regiment
2nd Battalion
3rd Battalion
32nd Infantry Regiment
33rd Infantry Regiment
31st Engineer Battalion
31st Motor Transport Battalion
31st Quartermaster Company
31st Field Artillery Regiment
31st Medical Battalion
31st Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

San Miguel, Bulacan
Iba, Zamboles
Balanga, Bataan
San Fernando, Pampanga
San Fernando, Pampanga
San Miguel, Bulacan
San Miguel, Bulacan
San Miguel, Bulacan
Camp Del Pilar, Pampanga
San Fernando, Pampanga
San Fernando, Pampanga

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 41st Division Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941, and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

41st Infantry Regiment
42nd Infantry Regiment (less 2d & 3d Bn's)

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Lipa, Batangas
Tres Cruces, Cavite

2d & 3d Bn's, 42nd Infantry Regiment
 43rd Infantry Regiment (less 1st & 3d Bn's)
 1st Battalion, 43rd Infantry Regiment
 3rd Battalion, 43rd Infantry Regiment
 41st Engineer Battalion
 41st Motor Transport Battalion
 41st Quartermaster Company
 41st Field Artillery Regiment
 41st Medical Battalion
 41st Signal Company

Batangas, Batangas
 Calapan, Mindoro
 Paliko, Batangas
 Pto. Princesa, Palawan
 Camp Murphy, Quezon City
 Camp Murphy, Quezon City
 Camp Murphy, Quezon City
 Canlubang, Laguna
 Camp Murphy, Quezon City
 Camp Murphy, Quezon City

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 51st Division Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941, and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

51st Infantry Regiment
 52nd Infantry Regiment (less 1st Battalion)
 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry Regiment
 53rd Infantry Regiment (less 1st & 3d Bn's)
 1st Battalion, 53rd Infantry Regiment
 3rd Battalion, 53rd Infantry Regiment
 51st Engineer Battalion
 51st Motor Transport Battalion
 51st Quartermaster Company
 51st Field Artillery Regiment
 51st Medical Battalion
 51st Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Lucena, Tayabas
 Pili, Cam. Sur
 Daet, Cam. Norte
 Sorsogon, Sorsogon
 Virac, Catanduanes
 Masbate, Masbate
 Davao, Albay
 Davao, Albay
 Davao, Albay
 Lucena, Tayabas
 Davao, Albay
 Davao, Albay

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 61st Division Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941, and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

61st Infantry Regiment
 62nd Infantry Regiment
 Headquarters Battalion, 63d Infantry Regiment
 1st Battalion, 63rd Infantry Regiment
 2nd Battalion, 63rd Infantry Regiment
 3rd Battalion, 63rd Infantry Regiment
 61st Engineer Battalion
 61st Motor Transport Battalion
 61st Quartermaster Company
 61st Field Artillery Regiment
 61st Medical Battalion
 61st Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Maigo, Iloilo
 Panitan, Capiz
 San Jose, Antique
 Banga, Capiz
 San Jose, Antique
 Odiongan, Romblon
 Iloilo City
 Iloilo City
 Iloilo City
 Dingle, Iloilo
 Iloilo City
 Iloilo City

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 71st Infantry Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941, and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

71st Infantry Regiment
 72nd Infantry Regiment (less 3d Battalion)
 3d Battalion, 72d Infantry Regiment
 73rd Infantry Regiment
 71st Engineer Battalion
 71st Motor Transport Battalion
 71st Quartermaster Company
 71st Field Artillery Regiment (less Machine Gun
 Battalion)
 Machine Gun Battalion, 71st Field Artillery
 71st Medical Battalion
 71st Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Cadiz, Negros Occidental
 Isabela, Negros Occidental
 Guimlingan, Negros Cr.
 Tanjay, Negros Cr.
 Binalbagan, Negros Occidental
 Binalbagan, Negros Occidental
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 Isabela, Negros Occidental
 Tanjay, Negros Occidental
 Murcia, Negros Occidental
 Binalbagan, Negros Occidental

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 81st Infantry Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941 and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

81st Infantry Regiment (less 1st & 2d Bn's)
 1st Battalion, 81st Infantry Regiment
 2nd Battalion, 81st Infantry Regiment
 82nd Infantry Regiment
 83rd Infantry Regiment (less 2d & 3d Bn's)
 2nd Battalion, 83rd Infantry Regiment
 3rd Battalion, 83rd Infantry Regiment
 81st Motor Transport Battalion
 81st Engineer Battalion
 81st Quartermaster Company
 81st Field Artillery Regiment (less Mortar
 Battalion)
 Mortar Battalion, 81st Field Artillery
 81st Medical Battalion
 81st Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Cebu City, Cebu
 Medellin, Cebu
 Pinaragaban, Cebu
 Argao, Cebu
 Tagbilaran, Bohol
 Tubigon, Bohol
 Ubay, Bohol
 Cebu City, Cebu
 Cebu City, Cebu
 Cebu City, Cebu
 Cebu City, Cebu
 Cebu City, Cebu
 Tagbilaran, Bohol
 Cebu City, Cebu
 Cebu City, Cebu

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 91st Division Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941, and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

91st Infantry Regiment
 92nd Infantry Regiment
 Headquarters Battalion, 93rd Infantry Regiment
 1st Battalion, 93rd Infantry Regiment
 2nd Battalion, 93rd Infantry Regiment
 3rd Battalion, 93rd Infantry Regiment
 91st Engineer Battalion
 91st Motor Transport Battalion
 91st Quartermaster Company
 91st Field Artillery Regiment (less Machine Gun Battalion)
 Machine Gun Battalion, 91st Field Artillery
 91st Medical Battalion
 91st Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Ormoc, Leyte
 Malibog, Leyte
 Calbayog, Samar
 Catbalogan, Samar
 Catarman, Samar
 Borongan, Samar
 Tacloban, Leyte
 Tacloban, Leyte
 Tacloban, Leyte
 Tacloban, Leyte
 Catbalogan, Samar
 Tacloban, Leyte
 Tacloban, Leyte

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 4 August 1941, the 101st Division Reserve will be called into active service on 25 August 1941, and will be inducted into the United States Army on 1 September 1941.

ELEMENTS

101st Infantry Regiment (less 1st & 2d Bn's)
 1st Battalion, 101st Infantry Regiment
 2nd Battalion, 101st Infantry Regiment
 102nd Infantry Regiment (less Co a & 3d Bn)
 Company A, 103rd Infantry Regiment
 3rd Battalion, 103rd Infantry Regiment
 101st Engineer Battalion
 101st Motor Transport Battalion
 101st Quartermaster Company
 101st Field Artillery Regiment
 101st Medical Battalion
 101st Signal Company

STATION OF MOBILIZATION

Badas, Placer, Surigao
 Cagayan, Misamis Or.
 Baguay, Misamis Occidental
 Zamboanga City
 Jolo, Sulu
 Cotabato, Cotabato
 Cagayan, Misamis Or.
 Camp Overton, Lanao
 Camp Overton, Lanao
 Malaybalay, Bukidnon
 Cotabato, Cotabato
 Camp Overton, Lanao

Pursuant to Training Memorandum #1, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 26 September 1941, the 1st Coast Artillery (FA) will be called into active duty at Manila on 7 October 1941, and will be inducted into the United States Army on 10 October 1941.

Letter, Headquarters United States Army Forces in the Far East, dated 15 December 1941, shows units located as follows:

<u>UNITS</u>	<u>STATION</u>
Philippine Division	Abucay, Bataan
11th Division	Manacag, Pangasinan
21st Division	Bugallon, Pangasinan
31st Division	San Marcelino, Zambala
41st Division	Tagaytay
51st Division	Sto Tomas, Batangan
61st Division	Anilao, Iloilo
71st Division	Urdaneta, Pangasinan
81st Division	Carmon, Bohol
91st Division	Bengabong Stock Farm, Nueva Ecija
101st Division	Malaybalay, Bukidnon

Miss Doyle:

I believe you may be interested in the questions referred to in the attached memorandum from Records Management.

I wanted to know the underlying motive for the retention of all medical cards pertaining to the Philippine Army, in Enlisted Branch. Mr. McCool's memorandum and attachments give us a complete understanding for their action.

5 July 1943.

Joseph Maley

*Mr Maley
Thank you.
Have had a copy made
for my file.
M. M. Doyle 7/5/43*

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High Point, N.C.	Mr. Maley
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Philippine Army

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Ellen D. McCool

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FROM: _____

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REMARKS:

Mr. Maley:
Mr. Hamilton called me up & suggested ~~maybe~~ we might call you by phone to clear up this matter, but I thought you would want something in writing. I obtained their file on the Philippines ^{Army} records & had Miss Yates make you a copy. If there is anything further you would like me to do on this, just yell.

D. D. McCool

Date _____

W. D. A. G. O. Form No. 0115
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From Records Management Branch 2351 Munitions 77148
(Branch or division) (Room number) (Building) (Telephone number)

To: 1. World War II Records Branch, 209 S. Main St., High Point, N.C. Mr. Maley
(Branch or division) (Room number) (Building) (Attention)

2. _____
(Branch or division) (Room number) (Building) (Attention)

For: _____

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1. Reference is made to per. 1 of your letter to Mr. Hamilton, 30 June 1943, in which you state a considerable amount of medical cards of nurses, officers, cadets, warrant officers, and WAC's (officers) are being erroneously forwarded to High Point for file. This matter was taken up with Officers' Branch and Message Center No. 2, both of which disclaim the forwarding of any medical cards or "Statement of Accounts" of officers to High Point. Mr. Hamilton believes his branch is mainly responsible for such action since the cards are now received from the Surgeon General's Office unsorted, the responsibility for sorting, arranging, and the proper distribution resting with the Enlisted Branch. He is taking the matter up with the responsible individual with a view to eliminating the misrouting of these cards. If you should continue to receive "Statement of Accounts" (AGO Form No. 27), a record should be made of the office from which received and upon request, this office will make a further check.

2. The Enlisted Branch is interested only in personnel records of the Philippine Army. Your attention is invited to the inclosed copy of the telegram from The Adjutant General to Commanding General, Philippine Department, 14 August 1941, and attached correspondence. The Enlisted Branch is accumulating all military records (personnel) of the Philippine Army which, upon retaking of the islands, will be returned to the Philippine Department. This does not include Philippine Scouts which is a part of the Regular Army. The medical cards of the Philippine Scouts that were forwarded to the Enlisted Branch will be returned shortly.

Ellen D. McLaughlin

Philippine Army

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August 23, 1941.

To: The Executive Officer

I interpret this reply to indicate that the records of personnel of the Philippine Army will be handled entirely separately from those of other personnel composing the Army of the United States. In other words, none of the records of individuals will come to the War Department.

/s/ T. HUGHES
Adjutant General

August 23, 1941.

To: Officer in Charge of Enlisted Division.

Your interpretation is correct.

For The Adjutant General:

W. L. RITTER
Executive Officer.

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AUGUST 14, 1941.

COMMANDING GENERAL

PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT

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PERSONNEL OF REGULAR ARMY INCLUDING PHILIPPINE SCOUTS PERIOD DECISION
AS TO WHETHER OR NOT RECORDS OF PERSONNEL PHILIPPINE ARMY WILL BE KEPT
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FAR EAST AND ANY EXPENSE INCIDENT THERETO MUST BE PAID FROM FUNDS
ALLOTTED TO HIM PERIOD ADVISE IF YOU DESIRE ADDITIONAL TRAINED
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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

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AG 381 (7-29-41)MB-E-M

July 20, 1941.

SUBJECT: Military Order mobilizing the Philippine Army.

TO: The Commanding Generals,
All Armies, Corps Areas, Departments, and
Caribbean Defense Command; and the Chief of
the Armored Force.
The Chief of Staff, GHQ, and the Commanding Officers
of Exempted Stations.
The Chief of the Army Air Forces.

The following Military Order issued by the President on
July 26, 1941, is quoted for your information and guidance:

" Under and by virtue of the authority vested in me
by the Constitution of the United States, by section 2(a) (12)
of the Philippine Independence Act of March 24, 1934 (48 Stat.
457), and by the corresponding provision of the Ordinance
appended to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the
Philippines, and as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy
of the United States, I hereby call and order into the service
of the armed forces of the United States for the period of
the existing emergency, and place under the command of a
General Officer, United States Army, to be designated by the
Secretary of War from time to time, all of the organized
military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the
Philippines: Provided, that all naval components thereof
shall be placed under the command of the Commandant of the
Sixteenth Naval District, United States Navy.

This order shall take effect with relation to all
units and personnel of the organized military forces of the
Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, from and
after the dates and hours, respectively, indicated in orders

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to be issued from time to time by the General Officer, United States Army, designated by the Secretary of War.

/s/ FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ E. A. ADAMS
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

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July 30, 1941.

SUBJECT: Military Order mobilizing the Philippine Army.

TO: The Commanding Generals,
All Armies, Corps Areas, Departments, and
Caribbean Defense Command; and the Chief of
the Armored Force.
The Chief of Staff, GHQ, and the Commanding Officers
of Exempted Stations.
The Chief of the Army Air Forces.

The following Military Order issued by the President on
July 26, 1941, is quoted for your information and guidance:

"Under and by virtue of the authority vested in me
by the Constitution of the United States, by section 2(a)(12)
of the Philippine Independence Act of March 24, 1934 (48 Stat.
457), and by the corresponding provision of the Ordinance
appended to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of the
Philippines, and as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy
of the United States, I hereby call and order into the service
of the armed forces of the United States for the period of
the existing emergency, and place under the command of a
General Officer, United States Army, to be designated by the
Secretary of War from time to time, all of the organized
military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the
Philippines: Provided, that all naval components thereof
shall be placed under the command of the Commandant of the
Sixteenth Naval District, United States Navy.

This order shall take effect with relation to all
units and personnel of the organized military forces of the
Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, from and
after the dates and hours, respectively, indicated in orders

to be issued from time to time by the General Officer, United States Army, designated by the Secretary of War.

/s/ FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT"

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COMMANDING GENERAL

May 15, 1940.

PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT

MANILA PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

REYOURERAD APRIL SECOND THE FOLLOWING POLICY WILL GOVERN ALL FUTURE APPOINTMENTS COMMA REAPPOINTMENTS OR PROMOTIONS OF RESERVE OFFICERS WHO ARE CITIZENS OF THE PHILIPPINE COMMONWEALTH COLON SUBSEQUENT TO THE DATE OF RECEIPT OF THESE ORDERS NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE FORWARDED FOR APPOINTMENT OF CITIZENS OF THE PHILIPPINE COMMONWEALTH IN THE OFFICERS RESERVE CORPS STOP APPLICATIONS NOW ON FILE MAY RECEIVE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION PROVIDED THE APPLICANT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF PERTINENT ARMY REGULATIONS STOP APPOINTMENTS OR PROMOTIONS OF PILINGOS IN ALL GRADES AND SECTIONS WILL BE LIMITED TO VACANCIES EXISTING OR OCCURRING UNDER THE ALLOTMENT MADE TO THE PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT IN THE PEACETIME PROCUREMENT OBJECTIVE FOR RESERVE OFFICERS STOP NO REAPPOINTMENTS OR PROMOTIONS OF CITIZENS OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS WILL BE MADE IN THE OFFICERS RESERVE CORPS AFTER JUNE THIRTY EIGHTEEN FORTY ONE STOP INFORMATION IS DESIRED AS TO WHETHER THERE ARE VACANCIES AT THE PRESENT TIME UNDER YOUR JURISDICTION FOR THE FOLLOWING NAMED APPLICANTS IN THE GRADES AND SECTIONS INDICATED COLON RANKEN PABLO MITRA CAPTAIN JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERALS DEPARTMENT RESERVE SEMICOLON DOMINADOR BELIGER AND CAPTAIN VIJAJAR SMOODS LIGHT BATTAL FIELD ARTILLERY RESERVE SEMICOLON HONORIO AERTS IN

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Based on Staff Memo
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WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF
PERSONNEL DIVISION, G-1
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April 26, 1940.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Status in the Officers' Reserve Corps
of citizens of the Philippine Islands.

I. Facts bearing upon the subject.

1. Attached hereto are the applications of two citizens of the Philippine Islands who seek commissions in the Officers' Reserve Corps. Norberto Ilaneta (enlisted in the Philippine Scouts) seeks appointment as a second lieutenant in the Infantry Reserve, and First Lieutenant Ramon Pablo Mitra, Quartermaster Reserve, seeks appointment as captain, Judge Advocate General Reserve. The Commanding General, Philippine Department, recommends these appointments.
2. The Adjutant General recommends that in the future no citizen of the Philippine Commonwealth be appointed, reappointed or promoted in the Officers' Reserve Corps. See attached memorandum.
3. The Commanding General, Philippine Department, recommends that all original appointments and enrollments in Army extension courses with a view to appointment of Philippine citizens, be discontinued. The Commonwealth Government concurs in this recommendation. These recommendations not to apply to applications already forwarded. See attached radios from the Commanding General, Philippine Department, dated March 6 and April 2, 1940.
4. The Philippines are scheduled to attain their complete independence on July 4, 1946, under the act of March 24, 1934 (48 Stat. 456); 48 U.S.C. 1240. At that time, if the provisions of the Act are carried out, all Philippine citizens will have to be discharged from the Officers' Reserve Corps. The United States Government is maintaining no ROTC units in the Philippines at the present time. Since all Reserve commissions are for 5 years, the Personnel Division believes that no citizen of the Philippine Commonwealth should be reappointed, or promoted after June 30, 1941.
5. War Department policies limit Reserve officers who are

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citizens of the Philippine Commonwealth to service in the Philippines. Appointments and promotions in all grades should therefore be limited to the authorized peacetime procurement objective for Reserve officers allotted to the Philippine Department. The recommendations of the Commanding General contain no statement as to whether vacancies exist. The Personnel Division believes that this information should be secured before final action is taken on these applications.

II. Action recommended.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following policy will govern all future appointments, reappointments, or promotions of Reserve officers who are citizens of the Philippine Commonwealth:

a. Subsequent to the date of receipt of these orders no applications will be forwarded for appointment of citizens of the Philippine Commonwealth in the Officers' Reserve Corps.

b. Applications now on file may receive favorable consideration provided the applicant meets the requirements of pertinent Army regulations.

c. Appointments or promotions of Filipinos in all grades and sections will be limited to vacancies existing or occurring under the allotment made to the Philippine Department in the peacetime procurement objective for Reserve officers.

d. No reappointments or promotions of citizens of the Philippine Islands will be made in the Officers' Reserve Corps after June 30, 1941.

2. That the Commanding General, Philippine Department, be informed of this action by radiogram and be requested to furnish the War Department with information as to whether vacancies exist at the present time for the applicants recommended by him.

3. That final action on the applications of Norberto Llaneta and Ramon Pablo Mitra be deferred pending receipt of information requested in paragraph 2 above.

4. That all concerned be notified.

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