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1-30 September 1948

1. ORGANIZATION:

Under the provisions of General Orders No. 4, Headquarters Philippines Command, dated 26 August 1948, the Adjustment Section was established as a Special Staff Section of that headquarters.

The Arrears in Pay Division, at that time a Branch of the Recovered Personnel Division, was transferred as a subordinate Branch of the Adjustment Section.

The arrears in Pay Division was subdivided into the following branches:

- a. Director's Office
- b. Administrative Branch
- c. Adjudication Branch
- d. Review Branch

~~c. FISCAL BRANCH~~

The functions of the Arrears in Pay Branch ^{DIVISION WAS} to reconsider:

- ^{PREVIOUSLY DETERMINED CLAIMS UPON WRITTEN REQUEST OF CLAIMANTS.}
- ~~a. Initial requests for determination.~~
 - ~~b. Reconsideration requests from dissatisfied claimants.~~

- ^{ADDITIONAL FUNCTIONS OF THE DIVISION WERE THE PROCESSING OF —}
- c. Claims for Confirmation of Rank.
 - d. Current Pay claims.

- e. Correction Cases from FS, HNDF.
- f. Conversion of living to deceased claims.

Responsibilities of each section were as follows:

- a. Director, Arrears in Pay Division - Responsible for the proper functioning of the Division. Matters pertaining to policies, personnel and determination were submitted to this office for final consideration. Position of the Director was on a policy making level. It was also his responsibility to administer the

disbursement of \$10,000,000 protecting the interest of the government as well as the individual claimant.

b. Chief, Administrative Branch - Coordinator between branches, handled administrative matters and exercised direct control over the process and procedures taking place within the Branch.

c. Chief, Adjudication Branch - Responsible for the supervision and operational exercise of officers and employees within the Branch. Prepared policies and determinations with regards to problems and questions expected to arise concerning the application of policies, status of individuals, requirements under Philippine Law, and the application of the arrears in pay program. Supervised the preliminary examination of 201 files, obtained as a result of a letter from claimant with regards to reconsideration. Under the Chief of Branch, was the executive officer, a 1st Lieutenant, who exercised direct supervisory control over all employees within the section. Advised reviewers and adjudicators in connection with the interpretation of policies, the establishment of status, the examination of cases to determine whether or not granting of the request for reconsideration was warranted as well as advised personnel in connection with the actual adjudication of the claim.

d. Chief, Review Branch - Responsible for the examination, evaluation and review of determinations adjudicated by the Adjudication Branch. A background knowledge of the conditions and facts surrounding the Japanese occupation of the Philippines was necessary. Must ^{have} been able to interpret the War Department Plan for Casualty Administration upon Reoccupation of the Philippines, as well

as the Missing Persons Act. It is advisable that he have at least basic legal knowledge. Other officers assigned to the Review Branch act as associate members of the Board of Review, ^{AND} have the same duties, except supervisory control, as the Chief of Branch.

Consult Tab A for Table of Organization and Tab B for Basis of Application of Missing Persons Act to Members of the Philippine Army.

2. PERSONNEL

The following officers were assigned to the Arrears in Pay Branch as of this period:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>BR/SV</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
John B Chesson, Jr	Major	051414	CMP	Dir, Arrears in Pay Div
Joseph F Schilling	1st Lt	01330969	INF	Chief, Adm Br
Allan W Mitchell	Capt	031704	CAC	Chief, Adj Br
John O Keider	Capt	0397548	INF	Chief, Rev Br
Jaime H Manzano	1st Lt	01896939	INF	Asst Chief, Adj Br
Alfred E Isch	Capt	01285764	Cml C	Reviewer, Rev Br

3. SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

Redetermination policies, superseding those set up by the Recovered Personnel Division, were prepared and set as the guiding factor in redetermining cases. ^{See} (Tab C for Summary of these policies)

A series of lectures were given the military, as well as civilian personnel, assigned to the Branch to familiarize them with these new redetermination policies, pertinent to arrears in pay cases.

On 28 September 1949, the Arrears in Pay ~~Division~~ commenced determining cases. At this point, the backlog totalled 6,000 cases.

Letters of intent were received by the Administrative Branch who in turn prepared requisitions for 201 files on set forms (Tab D). These requisitioned files, with letters of intent attached, were transmitted to the Adjudication Branch for appropriate action.

Cases, when received at the Adjudication Branch, were determined and forwarded to the Review Branch for final decision. Review Branch passed final decision as to approval or disapproval of case. In the event a claim was disapproved, letter advising claimant to this effect was dispatched. On the other hand, when a claim was approved, forms for formal requests for redetermination were forwarded to claimant for accomplishment and return (Tab E). Upon return of these forms, the claim went through the same process a second time. It is also to be noted at this stage that if an individual was entitled to both current and arrears in pay, only his claim for current pay was determined. Claimant had to request again for arrears. So that cases of this nature were actually worked on twice.

The Correction Section, Adjudication Branch, worked on cases ~~where cases~~ previously determined and forwarded to Finance Service, ^{but} HNDF ~~were~~ returned for correction due to erroneous entry of names, dates, etc or conversion of a living claim to a deceased claim in instances where the claimant died after his claim had been determined as a living claim.

The Investigation Section, Adjudication Branch, was organized to cross check service of affiants on affidavits, locate duplicate 201 files, procure roster checks and pay data from Finance Service, HNDF or such data pertinent to the case as ^{was necessary} ~~may be pertinent~~ for the completion of the case.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The following is a recapitulation of cases acted upon by the Arrears in Pay Division for this period:

C A S E S	: Rejected :	: <u>Formal Request</u> :				: ADM :	: ACTION :	: TOTAL :	: CORR :
		: For Dispatch :	: Redetermined :	: Appvd :	: Disapvd :				
Living	: 38 :	: 9 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 4 :	: 7 :	: 58 :	: 30 :	
Deceased	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	

1-31 October 1948

1. ORGANIZATION:

No change in the organization of the Arrears in Pay ~~Division~~.
of its functions for this period.

2. PERSONNEL:

No change in assigned personnel for this period.

3. ACTIVITIES:

No change in activities for this period.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The following is a recapitulation of cases acted upon by the
~~Division~~ for the period 1-31 October 1949:

C A S E S	: Rejected :	: <u>Formal Request</u> :				: ADM :	: ACTION :	: TOTAL :	: CORR :
		: For Dispatch :	: Redetermined :	: Appvd :	: Disapvd :				
Living	: 1614 :	: 142 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 8 :	: 159 :	: 1923 :	: 77 :	
Deceased	: 408 :	: 31 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 54 :	: 493 :	: 23 :	

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases: 4174

Backlog on ~~Formal~~ Cases: 6

Backlog on Correction Cases: 315

1-30 November 1949

1. ORGANIZATION:

No change in the organization for this period.

2. PERSONNEL

The following named officers, having reported for duty to the

Adjustment Section, were assigned to the Arrears in Pay **Division**:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>BR/SV</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
Daniel L Adair	Major	0482122	TC	Reviewer, Review Br
Ernest L Knoll	Capt	054304	Cml C	Reviewer, Review Br

3. ACTIVITIES

No change in activities for this period.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The following is a recapitulation of cases acted upon by the **Division** for the period 1-30 November 1949:

C A S E S	: Rejected :	: <u>Formal Request</u> :				: ADM :	: TOTAL :	: CORR :
		: For Dispatch :	: Redetermined :	: FRAUD :	: ACTION :			
			: Appvd :	: Disapvd :				
Living	: 1374 :	: 328 :	: 0 :	: 1 :	: 2 :	: 111 :	: 1816 :	: 182 :
Deceased	: 329 :	: 29 :	: 0 :	: 0 :	: 1 :	: 33 :	: 392 :	: 78 :

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases: 2119

Backlog on Formal Cases: 5

Backlog on Correction Cases: 132

1-31 December 1949

1. ORGANIZATION:

No change in the organization for this period with the exception of assignment of added officers ~~to the Branch~~ ^{as} indicated in par 2, below and the relief of Capt Keider as Chief, Review Branch for reassignment to the Zone of the Interior and the assignment of Maj Adair as Chief, Review Branch.

2. PERSONNEL

Following named officers, having reported for duty to the Adjustment Section, were assigned to Arrears in Pay **Division**:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>BR/SV</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
Carlton G Rockey	Major	0263613	Inf	Reviewer, Review Br

Sherwin M Ricker	Major	0244592	FA	Reviewer, Review Br
Merwin J Camp	Capt	0292567	Inf	Reviewer, Review Br
Warren G Langley	1st Lt	055029	Inf	Reveiwler, Review Br
Leonard M Knight	1st Lt	0493518	CMP	Reviewer, Review Br

3. ACTIVITIES

Orientation course for officers assigned to the Arrears in Pay Division organized by order of Major Chesson with Lt Manzano as lecturer. This course extended for a period of two weeks with ~~three~~ ^{three} lecture hours daily on background and policies pertinent to arrears in pay.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The following is a recapitulation of cases acted upon by the ~~Division~~ for the period 1-31 December 1949:

C A S E S	: Rejected :	: For Dispatch :	: Formal Request :		: ADM :	: FRAUD :	: ACTION :	: TOTAL :	: CORR :
			: Appvd :	: Disapvd :					
Living	: 742 :	: 464 :	: 204 :	: 21 :	: 5 :	: 29 :	: 1665 :	: 159 :	
Deceased	: 89 :	: 20 :	: 3 :	: 2 :	: 0 :	: 13 :	: 127 :	: 64 :	

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases:	1260
Backlog on Formal Cases:	301
Backlog on Correction Cases:	143

1-31 January 1949

1. ORGANIZATION:

On 7 January 1949, Major Adair was relieved of duties as Chief, Review Branch and assigned Director, Arrears in Pay ~~Division~~ vice Maj Chesson, assigned Executive Officer, Adjustment Section. Major Rockey assumed duties as Chief, Review Branch.

Capt Knoll assigned Chief, Adjudication Branch vice Capt

Mitchell, reassigned to the Zone of the Interior.

Lieut Langley assigned Chief, Administrative Branch vice Lt Schilling, reassigned to the Zone of the Interior.

Lieut Knight relieved from further duty with Arrears in Pay ~~Branch~~ ^{Division} and reassigned to the Zone of the Interior.

2. PERSONNEL

Losses indicated in paragraph 1, above.

Following named officer, having reported for duty to Adjustment Section, assigned to Arrears in Pay ~~Branch~~ ^{Division} for duty.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>BR/SV</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>
John J McDonald	1st Lt	01327559	Inf	Reviewer, Review Br

3. ACTIVITIES

No change in activities of the organization for this period.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENT

The following ~~are~~ ^{were} the number of cases acted upon by the ~~Branch~~ ^{Division} for this period:

C A S E S	: Rejected :	: <u>Formal Request</u> :		: ADM :	: FRAUD :	: ACTION :	: TOTAL :	: CORR :
		: For Dispatch :	: Redetermined :					
Living	: 898 :	: 162 :	: 420 :	: 46 :	: 3 :	: 49 :	: 1578 :	: 102 :
Deceased	: 66 :	: 28 :	: 11 :	: 6 :	: 1 :	: 1 :	: 113 :	: 22 :

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases:	756
Backlog on Formal Cases:	216
Backlog on Correction Cases:	166

1-28 February 1949

1. ORGANIZATION:

Effective 2400 hours, 24 February 1949, the Adjustment Section, including the Arrears in Pay Division, was discontinued as a Special Staff Section of Headquarters Philippines Command and

effective 0001 25 February 1949, its functions and mission transferred to the Adjutant General Records Depository and made the responsibility of the Commanding Officer thereof.

Within itself there were no material changes, except as noted below, in the organization of the Arrears in Pay Division. Chain of Command and policies within the Adjustment Section remained the same.

The Administrative Branch of the Arrears in Pay, ^{Division} was withdrawn from control of the Division Chief and fused with the Administrative Branch of the Adjustment Section and placed under the direct control of the Director's Office, Adjustment Section.

2. PERSONNEL:

No change in personnel during this period, *except as noted above.*

3. ACTIVITIES:

Production of cases came to a stalemate during this period due to the transfer of the unit from its location on Highway 54, Mandaluyong, Rizal to the PU Area, Balara, Quezon City. Period was devoted to transfer of records and equipment and getting settled at the new site.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENT:

C A S E S	: Rejected :	: For Dispatch :	: Formal Request :		: ADM :	: FRAUD :	: ACTION :	: TOTAL :	: CORR :
			: Appvd :	: Disapvd :					
Living	: 629 :	: 143 :	: 266 :	: 22 :	: 3 :	: 44 :	: 1107 :	: 127 :	
Deceased	: 140 :	: 32 :	: 32 :	: 4 :	: 0 :	: 6 :	: 214 :	: 19 :	

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases: 959

Backlog on Formal Cases: 118

Backlog on Correction Cases: 91

1-31 March 1949

1. ORGANIZATION:

No change in organization for this period.

2. PERSONNEL

No change in personnel.

3. ACTIVITIES

Production still at its lowest due to non-availability of records. Records still in the process of being re-arranged at the new site.

Last day of March 1949 is the deadline set for the acceptance of requests of any type pertaining to arrears. Letters of intent post marked after 31 March 1949, are marked "Received after deadline" and no further action taken on same.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

C A S E S	:	:	Formal Request			:	:	ADM	:	:	:	:				
			Rejected:	For Dispatch:	Redetermined:								Appvd:	Disapvd:		
Living	:	341	:	47	:	64	:	9	:	1	:	146	:	608	:	53
Deceased	:	43	:	10	:	15	:	1	:	0	:	141	:	210	:	21

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases: 1745
 Backlog on Formal Cases: 143
 Backlog on Correction Cases: 139

1-30 April 1949

1. ORGANIZATION:

Major Rockey assigned Chief, Arrears in Pay Division vice Major Adair, relieved. The latter assigned Executive Officer, Adjustment Division. Major Ricker assigned Chief, Review Branch vice Major Rockey, relieved.

2. PERSONNEL

Two officers, Capt. Camp and Lt McDonald, relieved from further duty with Arrears in Pay Division and transferred to Japan.

3. ACTIVITIES

The sending out of formal redetermination forms to claimants prior to approval ceased. Henceforth, all claims were acted upon directly as it was realized that the previous system caused unnecessary delay in the processing of claims and the 30 June 49 deadline for redetermining cases was close at hand and had to be met.

~~Whereas~~ In previous processing of claims, wherein an individual was entitled to arrears and current pay, only current pay was acted upon pending another request for arrears. Henceforth, both were acted upon at one time.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CASES	Rejected	Approved	FRAUD	ADM ACTION	TOTAL	CORR
Living	1685	205	28	325	2245	295
Deceased	146	50	1	74	271	127

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases: 1203

Backlog on Correction Cases: 191

1-31 May 49

1. ORGANIZATION:

No change in the organization for this period.

2. PERSONNEL

No change in personnel during this period.

3. ACTIVITIES

Previously, all correction cases completed by the Adjudi-

cation Branch were forwarded to Finance Service, HNDF via the Chief, Office of the Adjutant General, Recovered Personnel Branch, HNDF, assigned to the AGRD Area. However, it was noted that it took approximately two weeks for these cases to reach Finance Service, HNDF. Therefore, the Chief, Finance Service, HNDF, assigned a liaison officer from his office to this office to hand carry all these cases. Lt Arturo Lotho, FS, AFP, was assigned to this duty. Contact with this office was thrice a week. This system proved effective in minimizing delays previously experienced.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CASES	Rejected	Approved	FRAUD	ADM ACTION	TOTAL	CORR
Living	1884	627	62	272	2845	188
Deceased	149	106	0	74	329	172

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases: 188

Backlog on Correction Cases: 72

1-30 June 1949

1. ORGANIZATION:

No change in the organization.

2. PERSONNEL

No change in personnel

3. ACTIVITIES

The end of this period was the deadline^{SET} for determining cases for arrears in pay. At the end of the period, the backlog was one case.

Just before the deadline, over 1000 cases for correction were received from FS, HNDF. As a result of this, the backlog at

the end of the period numbered 752 cases.

No further action was to be taken on any claims after 30 June 49 unless an extension was granted by higher headquarters.

4. ACCOMPLISHMENT

CASES	Rejected	Approved	FRAUD	ADM ACTION	TOTAL	CORR
Living	241	117	17	31	406	1374
Deceased	39	26	0	3	68	326

Backlog on Determination and Redetermination Cases: 1

Backlog on Correction Cases: 752

ARREARS IN PAY DIVISION
1 Major 1 Steno (Civ)
1 Capt

ADMINISTRATIVE
BR
1 Capt
13 CIV

ADJUDICATION
BR
1 Capt 45 CIV
1 Typist

REVIEW
BR
1 Maj 1-1st Lt
2 Capt 5-CIV

ADJUDICATION BR

1- Chief Clerk
1- Steno
3- General Clerks

ADJUDICATION
SECTION

8 Reviewers
26 Appraisers
4 Typists

CORRECTION
SECTION

1 Reviewer
3 Appraisers
1 Typist

INVESTIGATION
SECTION

4 Investigators
1 Gen Clerk
1 Typist

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~~FUNCTIONS OF ARREARS IN PAY BRANCH,
ADJUSTMENT DIVISION, AGRD, PHILCOM~~
BASIS FOR APPLICATION OF THE
MISSING PERSONS ACT TO MEMBERS
OF THE PHILIPPINE ARMY

I INTRODUCTION

The Tydings-McDuffie Act, passed by Congress of the United States in 1935, provided for the establishment of the Commonwealth of the Philippines as a government for the Philippine Islands under certain measures of control until 4 July 1946, on which date the Philippines were to become completely independent. This Act provided 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 of the Philippines.

On 21 December 1935, Commonwealth Act No. 1, the first legislative action by the new Commonwealth, known as the "National Defense Act", provided for the establishment of a Philippine Army, to consist of a Regular and Reserve Force. All male citizens were obligated for military training. A system for calling young men for military training at the age of 21 was prescribed.

Organization of the Philippine Army, under the National Defense Act, was immediately begun. Major General Douglas MacArthur, and a staff of United States Army Officers, were detailed as a Military Mission to the Commonwealth. Officers of the Philippine Constabulary, which had been in existence as a military national police force for some 30 years and had now become essentially a branch of the Philippine Army, provided a nucleus for a corps of officers. A small Regular Army was organized and trained, initially largely under the supervision of United States Army instructor personnel. This Regular Army constituted essentially an agency for the training of the Reserve Force. Units were constituted at reduced strengths, with trainees attached for training as reservists. Training cadre units, for training reservists, were organized and

stationed at various camps throughout the Islands.

The Philippine Commonwealth was organized, for military purposes into 10 military districts, of approximately equal population. Functions were comparable to the pre-war corps areas of the continental United States. The general area of the military districts were as follows:

- 1st MD - Northern Luzon
- 2nd MD - North Central Luzon
- 3rd MD - Central Luzon (North of Manila)
- 4th MD - South Central Luzon, including Manila, Mindoro and Palawan
- 5th MD - Bicol Area and Masbate
- 6th MD - Panay and Romblon Is.
- 7th MD - Negros and Siquijor
- 8th MD - Cebu and Bohol
- 9th MD - Leyte and Samar
- 10th MD - Mindanao and Sulu

A plan for the organization of 30 Infantry Division of the Reserve Force, as well as certain non-divisional units, was adopted, with personnel to be trained, assigned and equipment available by 1946.

By January 1937, instructors had been trained and training camps constructed and the first group of about 18,000 trainees was called for a training period of $5\frac{1}{2}$ months. On completion of the $5\frac{1}{2}$ months basic training, approximately 15 percent were selected for an additional $5\frac{1}{2}$ months of training for non-commissions. Upon completion, certain number were allowed admittance into Officers Candidate Schools. Senior ROTC units in colleges and universities were established as an additional source of reserve officers.

Beginning with 1937, approximately 35,000 men annually received trainee instruction and became reservists on completion thereof. By the early part of

1941, personnel had been trained and assigned to the First Infantry Division of each Military District.

On 26 July 1941, the President of the United States, under the provisions of the Tydings-McDuffie Act, issued an Executive Order calling all military forces organized by the Commonwealth into the service of the Armed Forces of the United States in the Philippines, at such times as Gen MacArthur (who was at the time designated as commander of a new command, "United States Armed Forces in the Far East") might direct. Units of the Philippine Army were not made a part of the United States Army, but retained their status as Philippine Army, under the command of the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the Far East or of commanders designated by him.

Orders were issued by Headquarters, United States Army Forces in the Far East, from time to time calling other elements of the Philippine Army into the service of the United States Army under such calls. Headquarters Philippine Army issued mobilization orders directing reservists to report to their assigned mobilization stations. Headquarters Philippine Department (U.S. Army) provided officers and enlisted men of the United States Army (including Philippine Scouts) to induct these units and act as instructors. The general basic was at least two such officers per battalion and one NCO per company.

At the outbreak of the war on 8 December 1941, mobilization was not as yet complete. Therefore, all reservists were ordered to report to the nearest unit or mobilization center. As a result certain units were over-strength and confusion resulted in the assignment of personnel. Artillery personnel were assigned to medical units and vice versa.

The provisions of the Missing Persons Act approved on 7 March 1942 (Public Law 490 - 77th Congress (Sec III, Bull 14, WD 1942) as amended by an Act approved 24 December 1942 (Public Law 848 - 77th Congress (Sec II, Bull 2, WD 1943), and as further amended by an Act approved 1 July 1944 (Public Law 408 - 78th Congress (Sec I Bull 14, WD, 1944), are applicable to members of the Philippine Army, including recognized civilian guerrillas.

SUMMARY OF DETERMINATION
POLICIES

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The status of an individual under the Missing Persons Act, as amended, is the state under which he existed in connection with his military standing. His entitlement to pay for a given period depends on his status for that period.

An individual may have one or more of the following status:

<u>PAY STATUS</u>	<u>NO PAY STATUS</u>
Beleaguered	No Casualty
Prisoner of War	AWOL
Missing	Desertion

Beleaguered status covers the period between 8 December 1941, the date war was declared, and 6 May 42, the official date of surrender. The identity of members of the USAFFE is establish by one or more of the following types of proof:

National Service Life Insurance Record (prior to 7 May 1942)

Casualty Record showing that subject individual was killed in action, captured, or died, or was treated at a Field Hospital for battle wounds on sickness prior to 7 May 42.

POW records and death certificate of those concentrated at Camp O'Donnell. These records must show rank or Serial Number of claimant.

Special Orders calling the individual to active duty supported by evidence that he so reported and was inducted.

Promotion Orders issued after 7 Dec 41 and prior to 7 May 42.

Affidavits by bona-fide returners of the same or higher grade as the claimant and from the same unit.

Civilian guerrillas have no beleaguered status.

Prisoner of war status is that in which an individual was held under physical restraint by reason of his previous military status or suspected anti-Japanese activities.

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Missing status covers period of illness, disability, guerrilla service, spy status, confinement by guerrilla unit and employment by the United States or Philippine Government during the Liberation.

No Casualty status includes that period wherein the claimant's active service in or for the military forces of the United States was terminated as a result of enemy occupation and who returned or could have or was permitted to return home and pursued a normal mode of living. Employment by the Japanese in any capacity, other than POW or spy status, falls within this category.

Desertion and AWOL are self explanatory.

In living cases, casualty status and entitlement to arrears in pay cannot extend beyond the day prior to return to Military Control or 30 June 1946, whichever is earlier, except that pay after date of return to military control (not beyond 30 June 1946) can be awarded when claimant has submitted substantiating evidence and has claimed non-receipt of current pay.

In deceased cases the following will govern the termination of casualty status and entitlement to pay:

Where proof of death is available:

In cases where the individual died after returning to military control, casualty status and entitlement to pay will terminate one day prior to return to military control.

In cases where the individual died while in a no casualty status will terminate on the date of death.

In cases where the individual died prior to 23 Oct 44, while in a pay status, casualty status and entitlement to pay will terminate on:

The date next of kin had personal knowledge or official notice of death, or 23 Oct 44, whichever is earlier, where proof of death is conclusive.

On 23 Oct 44 where proof of death is only reasonably conclusive.

In cases where the individual died on or after 23 October 1944, casualty and entitlement to pay will terminate on the date of death, unless he has returned to military control.

Processing closed on 15 January 1948 for living cases. Therefore, original processing form 23's dated subsequent to that date are not entertained but are retained in suspense file in the event that the acceptance of new claims is authorized. The exception to this is the processing of terminal date guerrillas which continued until 30 June 1948. A terminal date guerrilla is defined as a guerrilla who is recognized for a specific period clearly defined to commence and terminate on a given date.

Deceased claims were entertained if verbal requests or written requests were received prior to 29 February 1948. Form 9's may be dated subsequent to that date if evidence is one file which indicates that claimant filed a claim, written or verbal, prior to 29 February 1948. Claims filed after that date are retained in suspense file.

Current pay claims were adjudicated by the PA prior to 30 June 1948. Under the agreement of 30 June 1948, this prerogative was removed from the PA and is now the sole responsibility of the Arrears in Pay Division.

Current pay is that pay individuals received after joining a unit of the Armed Forces of the United States during the liberation and post liberation periods of the Philippine Islands but not beyond 30 June 1946.

The determination of the Arrears in Pay Division may not adjust the status of individuals insofar as Guerrilla Affairs Division, as indicated in the records of AGRD is the only basis upon which the redetermination policies of this Division may be administered.

Confirmation of grades or ranks will be considered by the Division on

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requests of the individual concerned only if such promotions are authenticated by the records furnished by Guerrilla Affairs Division to AGRD or by orders of a competent USAFFE headquarters. In a few remote instances the rank of a claimant may be confirmed on the basis of affidavits of qualified individuals, such as the Adjutant who prepared the alleged promotion order of a competent headquarters and other such individuals. Such cases, however, are usually authenticated by the Archive records of AGRD.

A civilian guerrilla's name must appear on approved rosters of a recognized guerrilla unit to be entitled to arrears in pay.

A USAFFE guerrilla's name need not appear on a roster to be entitled to arrears in pay provided he has claimed service with a recognized guerrilla unit and the proof necessary to substantiate same is present in his 201 file.

Inasmuch as the screening and actual investigation of claims are based entirely on existing records in the custody of AGRD, that agency plays a most important part in the function of the Arrears in Pay Division, therefore the Division operates in the same area to afford rapid accessibility to required records and facilities the most expeditious considerations of claims received.

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A 201 Files ___ Medical ___ Claims Sv ___ Civ Pers ___ Files Control ___

Request all records on file be furnished this agency for the following individuals.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>FURNISHED</u>	<u>NR</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES COMMAND
ADJUSTMENT SECTION
ARREARS IN PAY DIVISION

APO 707

GSY 201- _____ (Living) (Deceased)
(Name of Soldier)

SUBJECT: Request for Redetermination

TO :

1. Reference is made to your request for redetermination of your claim for arrears in pay.
2. Before your claim may be redetermined, it is necessary that the enclosed formal application for redetermination be executed by you in triplicate before a person authorized to administer oath, and that the three executed copies be returned to this office together with whatever additional supporting documents you wish to submit. An additional copy of the application is also enclosed to be retained by you for your file.
3. Please be informed that your application must be returned so as to reach this office on or before the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date of this letter. Your failure to comply with this requirement will be considered by this headquarters as sufficient cause to disregard your request for redetermination, and you will be barred from filing any new request or application.
4. The result of this redetermination is final, and no other application for redetermination of your claim will be entertained.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

1 Incl:
Application forms (Quadruplicate)

HEADQUARTERS
PHILIPPINES COMMAND

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GSY 201 - _____ (Living) (Deceased)
(Name of Soldier)

SUBJECT: Application for Redetermination of Claims for Arrears
in Pay.

TO : Commanding General, Philippines Command, AFO 707
Attention: Chief, Adjustment Section

1. The undersigned claimant hereby request that the determinations heretofore entered in my claim for arrears in pay be set aside, and determinations be made anew in accordance with present policies of that Headquarters.

2. As conditions precedent to the redetermination of my claim, I hereby accept the determinations to be made by the Chief Adjustment Section, PHILCOM, on this application as final and conclusive on my rights to arrears in Pay from the United States Government, and in the event that this redetermination will result in an indebtedness to the United States Government on my part, I hereby bind myself to pay or reimburse to the United States Government on demand, the full amount of such indebtedness.

3. I certify that all statements in my claim for arrears in pay and all documents and supporting papers submitted by me in connection therewith are true and correct, and if my said claim or any document I have submitted or may submit in support thereof, is found fraudulent, I hereby submit and agree to whatever administrative action which may be taken against me under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

4. This application for redetermination is based on the following reasons:

5. Inclosed herewith is all the evidence I desire to submit in support of this application.

Claimants right thumbmark
(Must be clear and legible)

Name, Grade, ASN

Post Office Address

Incl: (List of Evidence)

LONG OFFICE RECORDS

(NAME OF CIVIL AND POLICE)
CERTIFICATE BY THE SUBSCRIBER

DATE: _____

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
PROVINCE OF _____ : S. S.
MUNICIPALITY OF _____)

I, _____, Claimant in the above
application, after having been duly sworn depose and say:

That I have read the foregoing application, and fully
understood its contents.
That all the statements contained therein are true and
correct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____
19_____, at _____
affiant having exhibited to me his/her Residence Certificate No. _____
issued at _____ on _____

Oath Administering Officer
(NAME OF OFFICIAL)
(TITLE) (DESCENDING)