

PROJECT 035 -- ALLEGED POW STATUS
ON CORRECTOR AFTER CONFINEMENT AT
O'DONNELL CC

Date project initiated- 4 SEP 59

Date project completed 22 SEP 59

Action recommended DISAPPROVAL OF POW

Action taken APPROVED 2 OCT 59

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REMARKS

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being terminated
~~Project 035~~

Project 035, a study of the period spent on Corregidor, ~~subsequent to POW at D-100~~, by the 22 individuals listed in Manila Tribune 4 Mar 43, revealed satisfactory evidence on which to base a recommendation that such period be considered employment by the Japanese. This recommendation was approved 2 Oct 59. (NOTE: Project 035 filed in Ref File of Hqs RPR Br).

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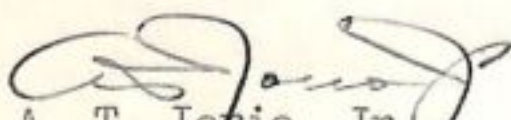
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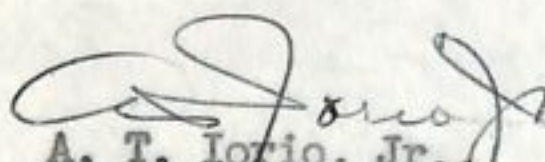
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6. DISCUSSION:

Of the 22 individuals involved, only 9, on their Forms 23, alleges any service on Corregidor subsequent to confinement at O'Donnell Concentration Camp. However, on Forms 602, 20 allege POW service on Corregidor with various dates of arrival thereat. (Note terminating dates of POW and negative certifications in Par 3c). Six files contain statements indicating the individuals were employed as laborers by the Japanese on Corregidor. Two of these individuals allege they worked on scrap iron, while two others (type of labor not shown) claim they were paid amounts, which together with food and lodging, probably amounted to a normal salary during the Japanese Occupation in the Philippines. Some files contain medical records and/or make allegation of illness or injury which may have been sustained during period involved. (Note Par 5 - NCS and Missing Status in the case of Zenon M. Segundo).

7. CONCLUSIONS:

Evidence revealed in this study shows that the 22 individuals concerned were Ex-USAFFE soldiers from Bohol and were confined as POW's at O'Donnell Concentration Camp. This fact is supported by O'Donnell POW records, and/or Manila Tribune dated 4 Mar 43 and 22 May 43 listing them as Ex-Soldiers and released POW's. Based on their statements, it appears they were released from O'Donnell during the period 9-26 Jan 43, although one claims he was released as early as 26 Dec 42. Almost one-third allege that, upon their release from O'Donnell, they were employed as Laborers by the Japanese for work on Corregidor, and two of these indicate they received a normal salary, under prevailing conditions. No record has been located to show that the Japanese operated a POW Camp on Corregidor during period in question. Therefore, it is logical to assume that the other individuals were also employed as Laborers during alleged period on Corregidor. Manila Tribune 4 Mar 43, shows the 22 individuals arrived in Manila 2 Mar 43 from Corregidor. Records of Bureau of Health, Emergency Hospital Unit No. 2, show admission for temporary shelter on 2 Mar 43, and except for

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TO Chief, RPR Branch FROM Chief, Rec Sec RPR Branch DATE 22 SEP 1959 COMMENT NO. 1 Fister/ajf/764

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b. 201 files containing statements indicating employment under Japanese on Corregidor:

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		FM 93	FM 602		
✓ 1.	(ANAI5) ARAEZ, LORENZO O.	YES	YES	NEG USAFFE POW	REL 30 JAN 43, WORKED AS CIV LABORER IN ^{UNDER JAP'S} CORRECIOR FOR 2 mos. RECEIVED P8.00 AS SALARY. FM 602 SHOWS CORREC: 21 JAN - 15 FEB 43 MEMO 1103 P 16 FEB - 15 JUN 43
✓ 2.	AYCO, ARTEMIO A.	YES	YES	23 JAN 43	BROUGHT TO CORRECIOR AS LABORER 23 JAN 43
✓ 3.	AYCO, PATERNO T.	YES	YES	25 JAN 43	
✓ 4.	BINATERO, GENARO G.	YES	YES	25 JAN 43	JAP AGENCY LABORER 24 JAN 43 - 25 FEB 43. PAID P5.00 JAP'S CURRENCY.
✓ 5.	(BINONAY) BINANAY, LIBRADO C.	YES	YES	NEG USAFFE POW	S/I ON ONE FM 93 ALLEGES TRFD FROM O'ILL TO CORRECIOR 26 JAN 43 AND STAYED THERE UNTIL HE WAS SICK. REL 2 MAR 43. OTHER FM 93 SHOWS ESCAPED FROM LA SALLE COLLEGE, MANILA (JAP HOSP) ON 15 APR 43. C/R SHOWS TREATED AT SAN LAZARO HOSP <u>3-12 AUG 43.</u>
✓ 6.	(DABOLOS) DABALOS, ANACLETO Q.	NO	YES	22 JAN 43	
✓ 7.	(DINAT) DINAL, ISABELO T.	NO	YES	NEG USAFFE POW	PER WCC + VA CERT'S. MPA DET REVOKED 16 JUN 59
✓ 8.	(DULLANTE) DOMIENTE, TITO H.	NO	YES (BY NOK)	25 JAN 43 CERTIFIED 24 MAR 59	MIPA, <u>24 MAR 59</u> - SHOWS POW <u>28 JUN 43 - 1 MAR 43</u> (DECEASED MAY 48)

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	FM 23	FM 602		
9. (EGBOT) IGHOT, MOISES M.	YES	YES	NEG (POS-USAFFE)	MPA SHOWS NCS 15 MAY 42 - 14 AUG 45 S/I'S STATEMENTS (FMS 23, 602 + CORRES) INDICATE HE WAS TRFD FROM O'LL TO CORRECIDOR C/A 22 JAN 43. LTR 17 MAR 49 STATES HIS LEL WAS BROKEN WHILE ON DUTY IN CORRECIDOR 22 FEB 43. LTR 7 DEC 57 STATES HE WAS BROUGHT TO CORRECIDOR TO WORK ON SCRAP IRONS.
✓ 10. GUINGAO, RODOLFO T.	YES	YES	25 JAN 43	FM 602 SHOWS "BROUGHT BY JAP SOLDIERS TO CORRECIDOR TO WORK FILING SCRAP IRON, WHICH WAS REMNANT OF BOMBING."
✓ 11. HISOLER, ESTILBERTO A.	NO	YES	23 JAN 43	
✓ 12. HONGAYO, CANDELARIO L.	YES	YES	25 JAN 43	
✓ 13. LAGUMBAY, FELIX BERTO A.	NO	YES	NEG USAFFE + POW	
✓ 14. (MONTANO) MONTADO, MAGDALING B.	NO	YES	19 JAN 43 CERTIFIED 23 JUN 57	CERT (DPA) 11 FEB 59 SHOWS POW TERM 5 JUN 43. S/I ON FM 602 ALLEGES POW AT CORRECIDOR 20 JAN 43 - 4 MAR 43; MANILA 5 MAR 43 - 18 JUN 43.
✓ 15. POPOD, JUAN L.	NO	YES	24 JAN 43	PER WCL CERT 29 MAY 53. VA CERT 27 JUL 54 SHOWS S/I POS FOR GRA SVC ONLY.
✓ 16. RAMISO, SATURNINO A.	NO	YES	25 DEC 42 PER CERT 6 JUN 53	FM 602 SHOWS POW AT CORRECIDOR 27 DEC 42 - 3 MAR 43; MEMORIAL HOSP 4 MAR 43 - 20 MAY 43. FMS 23 SHOW POW AT O'LL UNTIL 20 MAY 43. VA CERT 30 JUN 55 SHOWS NCS 26 DEC 42 - 20 NOV 44.

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	FM 73	FM 602		
✓ 17. ^(LENON) SEGUNDO, LENON M.	No	YES	9 JAN 43 CERT DTD 2 AUG 54	FM 73 SHOW POW AT O'CC 30 JUN 42 - 24 AUG 43. LTR FROM S/I SHOWS TRFO TO CORRECTOR 10 JAN 43. FM 602 ALLEGES POW AT CORRECTOR JAN 43 - MAR 43; MANILA MAR 43 - 24 AUG 43. COPY OF ARTICLE IN MT DTD 4 MAR 43 IN 201 FILE. VA CERT 8 NOV 54 SHOWS NCS 10 JAN - 31 MAR 43 (LABORER EMPLOYED BY JAPANESE) MISS 1 APR - 23 AUG 43 (SICK IN HOSP. SUPPORTED BY HOSP RECORDS) MEMO FOR RECORD SHOWS NCS PERICO 10 JAN - 31 MAR 43 WAS ALSO BASED ON INFO CONTAINED IN 201 FILES FOR 5 INDIVIDUALS LISTED ON MT DTD 4 MAR 43.
✓ 18. ^(SUMANOY) SOMANOY, AMANCO	YES	YES	25 JAN 43	ONE FM 73 SHOWS POW AT O'CC UNTIL 26 APR 43; ANOTHER SHOWS POW AT CORRECTOR 6 NOV 42 - 6 FEB 44. FM 602 SHOWS POW AT O'CC 11 NOV 42 - 26 JUN 43; CORRECTOR 29 JUN 43 - 12 SEP 43.
✓ 19. ^(SOMBAS) SAMBAS, TIMOTEO B.	No	YES	25 JAN 43 CERT DTD 5 NOV 54	CERT (DVA) 17 JUL 58 SHOWS POW UNTIL 30 MAY 43. AF DVT IN 201 FILE ALLEGES S/I HOSP AT MEMORIAL HOSP 5 MAR 43, RELEASED 19 MAY 43.
✓ 20. ^(TISIO) TISIO, JOAQUIN D.	No	YES	NEG USAFFE- POW 5 NOV 54	FM 73 ALLEGE POW AT O'CC UNTIL 16 JUN 43. FM 602 SHOWS POW AT O'CC UNTIL 23 JAN 43; CORRECTOR 24 JAN - 5 MAR 43; MANILA 6 MAR - 16 JUN 43.
✓ 21. TOLEDO, VICENTE A.	No	No	1 MAR 43 CERTIFIED 9 OCT 58	FM 73 ALLEGE REL O'CC 1 MAR 43 FM 602 ALLEGES POW AT O'CC 2 DEC 42 - 18 APR 43

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	FM 23	FM 602	(WCC LEFT)	
32. ZAMORA, PROCOPIO G.	No	(No WCC CLAIM) IN FILE.		FM 23 ALLEGES POW AT BELLON AND O'LL 28 JUN 42 - 30 JAN 43; CIVILIAN 31 JAN 43 - 7 APR 45; MPA SHOWS POW 28 JUN 42 - 30 JAN 43; NLS 31 JAN 43 - 7 APR 45.

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