

PROJECT 067 -- GAD ROSTER, Co A, 45TH INF, BARRION'S DIV, COMPONENT OF SABER FORCE

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1. Project initiated to determine authenticity of GAD Roster, "O" Co, 4th Bn, Saber Force, Co A, 45th Inf Regt, Manila (Barrions) Div, located with duplicate rosters received from VA MRO in 1956. This project was brought about by the receipt of a VA 3101 on Benito A. Arellano, whose name was carded as appearing on supplementary roster of "A" Co, 45th Inf Regt, Component of Saber Force, Manila (Barrion's) Div, for which no original recognized roster was located.

2. Carbon copy of approved reconstructed roster received with duplicate rosters from VA in 1956, contains circular stamp: "25 Sep 1947, Guerrilla Affairs Div"; Rectangular stamp: "Reconstructed by Guerrilla Affairs Div, Hq PHILRYCOM"; circular stamp: "APPROVED 5 Feb 1948, Headquarters PHILRYCOM"; stamped and written signature of "K. H. NEUBAUER, 1st Lt, CAC."

3. (210-5 Tab 10) Ltr, Hq Saber Force Regt, atchd to 38th Inf Div, dtd 5 Nov 45, from Maj. Domingo T. Bermudez, CO, 5th Bn, 45th Inf Regt, Manila Barrion Div, to Commanding General, AFWESPAC, Subject: Recognition of Additional Roster, Request For. Letter concerns request for recognition of supplementary roster (2 Officers and 63 EM of "O" Co, 4th Bn, Saber Force Regt) allegedly attached to 1st Cav Div and 38th Inf Div during period 4 Feb 45 up to Oct 45. Statement in letter refers to "attached supplementary roster" and indicates a roster was submitted with the request. Carbon copy of a roster in same file (under same tab) shows organizational heading as: "O" Co, 4th Bn, Saber Force (45th Inf Regt, Mla Barreon's Div) Co A, 45th Inf Regt, Barrion's Div. (Not recog - Officers & EM, "O" Company, 4th Bn, S.F.). Roster lists one officer and 62 EM. Roster contains circular stamp "25 Sep 1947 Guerrilla Affairs Div."

4. (210-5 Tab 19) Cy Ltr, Hq AFWESPAC, dtd 5 Sep 46 to Chief of

Staff, PA, Subject: Recognition of Guerrilla Unit, shows Co A, 45th Inf, Barrion's Division, component of Saber Force, in the strength of one officer and 62 EM granted recognition for period 1 Jul 45 to 24 Nov 45. Ltr contains stamped name of Thomas J. Brown, CWO, USA, Asst Adj Gen. Ltr also contains notation: "1 Incl: Roster of Unit (In dup.)" (Added info on file with recognition letter shows recognition was based on Operations Directive No. 1, CG, 1st Cav Div dtd 9 Jun 45, listing this unit as one of the components of the Saber Force; recommendations of Lt. Col. A. L. Hugins, over-all American CO of the Saber Force, and Maj. Alfredo Veloso, CO of the Saber Force; the unit was used by the 1st Cav, 38th and 86th Divisions during the period Jul to Nov 45 to carry on mopping up operations and minor combat operations in Tayabas Province; and the unit served in the field as a military organization being fed and quartered by the various divisions to which the Saber Force was attached.)

5. (210-5 Tab 19) No information found as to why only 1 officer and 62 EM were recognized, whereas Maj. Bermudez indicates his supplementary roster listed 2 officers and 63 EM. Also, the period of service 9 Feb to date as shown on roster, appears to conflict with the letter of recognition showing the Unit was first recognized on 1 Jul 45. (No revision date) Dates of submission and recognition (5 Nov 45 - 5 Sep 46) indicate the claim required a longer period for processing than other similar rosters of Barrion's Div.

6. Carbon copy of approved reconstructed roster (5 Feb 48) received from VA in 1956 contains the same list of 1 officer and 62 EM, and period of service 9 Feb to date, as shown in roster referred to in Par ³ A. Except for the added written notation "Component of Saber Force," organizational heading is also the same.

7. Catalog of Grla Org~~n~~ Records containing list of independent units favorably considered as of 1 Jul 47 (Hq PHILRYCOM G-3, GAD) lists

Component of Saber Force Co "A", 45th Inf Regt, Barrion's Manila Div in the strength of 63, with recognition dates shown as 1 Jul - 24 Nov 45.

8. (210-5 Tab 21) NFC/Revision Letter w/TLR by Lt. Bromley dtd 27 Aug 47 concerning request for revision of recognition dates for 45th Inf Regt, Manila Barrion's Div contains the following statement: "Supplementary Co A was recognized by ltr, Hqs AFWESPAC, dtd 5 Sep 1945. An undetermined number of men were recognized from the 5th Battalion, 45th Inf as components of the Saber Force."

9. (210-4 Tab 33) Revision report on the Manila (Barrion) Division by Lt. Bromley dtd 4 Sep 47 lists Co A (component of Saber Force) 45th Inf Regt as authorized recognition in strength of 63*, with eff date of recognition 1 Jul - 24 Nov 45. Notation at bottom of page shows: "*Recognized by Hq AFWESPAC for services rendered as component of Saber Force."

10. (210-5 Tab 4) Written notation in file indicates copies of approved reconstructed rosters of other units (Hq 1st Bn, Med, and Cos A, B, C, D) of the 45th Inf Regt were missing from GAD organizational files. Notation apparently written by Lester W. Pierce Jr, 1st Lt CAC, contained the following information: "This roster copied from original True copies only (certified by foregoing AUS officer 30 Jun 48) in GAD filed at RPD to replace missing copy - 30 Jun 48, L.W.P." organizational file. However, original copies are ~~not~~ on file in GAD working files (Fldr 308).

11. Of the 60 files located for names listed on roster, only 1 contains a VA claim. Certified negative to VA on 11 Dec 50 and 31 Jan 51. Archives report 7 Dec 50 shows "Listed in IBM but roster is not on file." Case reviewed 13 Aug 51 - no change. (1 current VA claim not processed) No requests for D & A. Claims for Arrears in Pay determined negative - unit NFC for revision of recognition date. No investigation of initial recognition of unit indicated.

12. 15 individuals with same or similar names (minor variations in spelling) as those shown on roster, also appear on other rosters of Barrion's Div. 13 with Rei-Zar Regt and 2 with 1st Inf Regt. Except for 4, ^{names} the names do not appear to be common names, since no other cards for same names are on file in Guerrilla IBM Card File.

13. ~~000000~~ 201 files for approximately 75% of the names listed indicate that there are 2 files under same first and last names (diff MI, date and place of birth) alleging service with either "O" Co, 4th Bn, Saber Force, or "A" Co, 45th Inf Regt, Manila Barrion's Div. 201 files for those claiming service with the Saber Force contain Fms 22 and 23 dtd 18 - 25 Aug 45, indicating they were processed during that period. One file (Argao, Mariano A.) contains affidavit by Maj. Bermudez dtd 23 Jan 48 stating: "that his name was included in the roster recognized as of August 18, 1945, but he is in new supplementary roster which is now recognized by PHILRYCOM." Some of these files contain Fms 38 dtd Jan - Feb 46 showing SN's listed on roster. Some files also contain negative determinations for individual recognition (GAD - 1948).

14. 201 files for those alleging service with "A" Co, 45th Inf contain Fms 23 and 38 dtd during period Nov 46 to May 47. None allege any prior date of processing. SN's are shown as: None. Many show mailing address on Fm 23 as: Juan Luna, Gagalangin, Manila. Majority show same alleged dates of service, organizations, and date of discharge (25 Nov 45). Remarks concerning guerrilla activities are also very similar. Although they allege service with Manila Barrions Div, attached to 7th Cav Regt, 1st Cav Div, 1 Jul 45 - 24 Nov 45, none allege service with or attachment to the Saber Force. Alleged CO is shown as Maj. Bermudez or Lt. Bermudez. The front page of most Fms 23 is stamped "Terminal Date Guerrilla," while the last page contains a "Received

Payment" stamp, showing they received pay for period 1 Jul 45 to 24 Nov 45. 201 files also contain carbon copies of discharge certificates. Date and place of issuance shown on the certificates indicates they were issued at the time of processing. Some files contain certificates and/or affidavits relating to guerrilla service, amount paid, mailing address and marital status. These documents, signed by 2d Lt. Tomas Bermudez, also appear to have been made at the time of processing.

15. 201 file for Tomas V. Bermudez (listed on roster as 2d Lt - Pltn Ldr) contains Fms 22 and 23 dtd 23 Aug 45, Fms 63 dtd 20 Dec 45 and 4 Nov 46, and Fm 23 dtd 11 Dec 46. Fm 63 - 4 Nov 46 shows Sn as: 0-28551, however, Fm 23 - 11 Dec 46 shows Sn as: None. Copy of discharge certificate indicates issuance date changed from 4 Nov 46 to 13 Dec 46. Fm 23 - 23 Aug 45 shows organization as "O" Co, 45th Inf, MBD and rank as Sgt - 2d Lt (date promoted N/S). Marital status: Single. Med cards in file, 22 Apr - 6 May 45 show rank as Sgt, and organization as Med Co, 45th Inf, 1st Cav Div. Fm 23 - 11 Dec 46 indicates same alleged guerrilla service and date of discharge as shown on Fms 23 noted in Par 14. Alleged rank is shown as Sgt - 1st Sgt - 2d Lt (aptd 22 Mar 45). This Fm 23 shows "Married 1 Jun 45." Name of wife appears to be the same as that shown for his mother on Fm 22 dtd 23 Aug 45. The name Tomas Bermudez also appears on recognized guerrilla roster of "C" Co, 1st Bn, 45th Inf Regt, MBD dtd 25 May 45 (recognition date: 24 Mar 45). Rank is shown as Cpl with POS 9 Apr to date. No other 201 file found under same name showing alleged service with 45th Inf Regt.

16. Following information located during study having a direct connection with roster, but without any official bearing on the recognition of roster, is shown for general information purposes:

a. (210-5 Tab 6) Maj. Bermudez, in letter dated 8 Sep 45, states that he is the organizer and CO of the 5th Bn, 45th Inf, appointed Ex O and acting CO of 45th Inf during period 24 May 45 to 30 Jun 45 when Lt. Col. Arcadio Santos CO contracted Malaria, and later assigned as a liaison and public relation officer of the Saber Force, PA. Recognized as Maj. w/Co B, 1st Bn, 45th Inf. Pos: 24 Mar to date.

b. (210-5 Tab 10) Letter 5 Nov 45 from Maj. Bermudez requesting recognition of additional roster states in part "attached supplementary roster 2 officers and 63 EM." Supplementary roster listing 2 officers and 63 EM not found in GAD organizational file. The only roster located in this file which may pertain is a carbon copy of a roster bearing the stamp "25 Sep 1947 Guerrilla Affairs Div." Roster contains notation: "CERTIFIED TRUE COPY." No certifying officer shown. Roster lists names of 1 officer and 62 EM, and shows period of service as 9 Feb to date. Written notation in file contains reference to Letter, AFWESPAC, 5 Sep 46 (Tab 19 same fldr) and indicates letter as authority for recognition of roster. No other information under Tab 10.

c. (210-5 Tab 13) Letter from Maj. Bermudez, 27 Dec 45 to CG, AFWESPAC, Attn: Lt. C. H. Shaffer, Subj: Approval of Supplementary Roster, Request For. Letter states in part: "On 22 Dec 45, I came to your office for the verification of the attached supplementary roster of Officers and EM of the 45th Inf Regt, Manila (Barrion's) Division who have been assigned to the "O" Company, 4th Bn, Saber Force." "Original of this roster has been addressed to the Commanding General, AFWESPAC thru Channel, dated 22 October 45 thru the Liason Officer 34th Inf." Referenced attached supplementary roster not on file with letter.

d. (210-5 Tab 2) Investigating Officer's notes, (date not shown) over signature of Grant S. Wilcox, 2d Lt. Inf, Contact Team #10,

contains the following information: "Col. Hugens of the Saber Force said the men under Bermudez were a bunch of thieves."

e. (210-5 Tab 20-H) Report on Barrion's Manila Div dtd 20 Mar 47, over signature of Leon J. Sonders, 1st Lt, CAC contains the following statement by Col. Hugens: "Barrion's men in this unit, who were under the leadership of Major Domingo T. Bermudez, were worse than the average. Bermudez is a shady character and strictly an opportunist. He did not exert any leadership over the Guerrillas of Barrion under him. During his attachment with the Saber Force, Bermudez got into trouble with the CID over a stolen vehicle in his possession."

f. Ltr Hq AGRD 13 Jun 50 to Rec Adm Cen requesting photo copy of approved reconstructed guerrilla roster dtd 5 Feb 48 and letter of recognition for "O" Co, 4th Bn, Saber Force. Reply 7 Jul 50 shows thorough search of guerrilla records on file failed to locate requested roster. Copy of roster stamped "25 Sep 47 GAD" furnished. (Re: Gr1a Ref File - Manila Barrions Div and Saber Force)

g. Ltr Hq AGRD 12 Sep 50 to VA MRO, pertaining to verification of Philippine Guerrilla Reconstructed Rosters, contains the following statement pertinent to roster involved: "Concerning Roster #309 mentioned on page 6 of draft, AGRD requested confirmation of existence of an approved reconstructed roster of the unit from St. Louis, stated that they could not locate any such roster. It appears now, that only VA MRO has such a roster. The authenticity of this roster bears examination." (Gr1a Ref File - Fldr 38)

h. Roster involved is listed among 15 doubtful rosters submitted to Rec Adm Cen by VA MRO for verification on 26 Sep 50. (GAD Policy File - Gr1a Rosters Reconstructed)

17. Discussion:

Roster of "O" Co, 4th Bn, Saber Force also shown as "A" Co, 45th Inf Regt, Component of Saber Force, Manila (Barrion's) Div, located with duplicate GAD rosters received from VA MRO in 1956, has the appearance of an authentic approved reconstructed guerrilla roster. A letter, Hq Saber Force (from Maj. Bermudez) dated 5 Nov 45, pertaining to request for recognition of subject unit is located in GAD organizational file 210-5, Tab 10. A letter, Hq AFWESPAC to Chief of Staff, PA, dated 5 Sep 46, indicating roster was approved for recognition for period 1 Jul 45 to 24 Nov 45 is located in GAD organizational file 210-5, Tab 19. Information on file dated 1 Jul 47, 27 Aug 47 and 4 Sep 47 shows this organization as a recognized guerrilla unit. Official approval stamp dated 5 Feb 48 and signature of approving officer on roster involved, tends to confirm the unit's recognized guerrilla status. The absence of the original roster, the derogatory information concerning Maj. Bermudez and the 45th Inf Regt (Para 16 D & E), and the conflicting information in 201 files for individuals listed on roster (Para's 11-15), cannot be considered sufficient basis to question approved recognition since the authority to grant, deny, or revoke guerrilla recognition terminated 30 June 1948. Although correspondence from Hq AGRD and VA MRO dated 12 Sep 50 and 26 Sep 50 states that authenticity of roster bears examination, and lists it among doubtful rosters submitted for verification, no evidence has been found to show that recognition was revoked or withdrawn. Current VA 3101 contains information indicating the organization is still ^{listed with} ~~considered as a~~ recognized guerrilla units by VA MRO.

18. Recommendations:

a. Roster be accepted as an authentic reconstructed guerrilla roster and placed in GAD organizational file, and copies placed with project study and in GAD work file, Folder 309.

b. Letter Hq AFWESPAC dated 5 Sep 46, be considered as the only authority for recognition, and copies of letter be placed with each copy of roster.

c. Memo For Record, inviting attention to contents of this study, ^(Specifically Para 12; 13 & 14) be placed in all 201 files located for individuals listed on roster and/or alleging service with organization involved.

d. Memo For Record will contain a brief synopsis of study, including the information that more than one claim folder under same or similar names containing similar service allegations, were located for some of the names listed on roster. (Cross-reference sheets will be prepared for pertinent claim folders involving similar names with different spellings where any doubt exists that they could be readily found at a later date.)

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 UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
 OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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APO 707

SUBJECT: Recognition of Guerrilla Unit

SEP 1948

TO : Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, APO 75

1. The unit listed below is recognized by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces, Western Pacific, as having been an authorized element of the Philippine Army, inducted into the Armed Forces of the United States from 1 July 1945 to 24 November 1945:

Co. A, 45th Infantry, Barrion's
 Division, component of Saber Force

Strength

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 62 Enlisted Men

2. Under the provisions of Executive Order No. 21, by the President of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 26 October 1944, the status of the members of this unit, during the period above specified, was that of officers and enlisted men of the Philippine Army.

3. Under the provisions of Executive Order No. 68, by the President of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 26 September 1945, all officers and enlisted men of this unit, other than those who are members of the Regular Force or the Reserve Force of the Philippine Army, will be considered as having been discharged from the Philippine Army as of 24 November 1945.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

THOMAS A. BROWN
 CWO, USA
 ASST. ADJ. GEN.

1 Incl:
 Roster of Unit. (In Dup.)

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 COPY OF RECOG LTR
 AND ROSTER FILED
 WITH GAD ORGN'L
 FILE FOR 45TH INF,
 BARRION'S MANILA DIV
 (FILE 210-5, FLOR 1)



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Antonio Daleon	"	161073	9 Feb. to date	"
Jose Parma	Pvt.	161337	9 Feb. to date	"
Gregorio Alcoriza	"	"	9 Feb. to date	"
Delfin Meisera	"	161049	9 Feb. to date	"

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Lt. Col. Hugh L. Carnehan:

1. Co A, 45th Infantry Barrion's Division, a component of the Saber Force, consisting of 1 officer and 62 enlisted men has been favorably considered for recognition. Approximately 110 men were recognized from this company previous to joining the Saber Force.

2. Basis for recognition:

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b. Lt. Col. A. L. Hugins, over-all American commanding officer of the Saber Force recommends that these men be recognized. Lt. Col. Hugins made the statement that this is the only unit not recognized in the Saber Force that is deserving.

c. The unit was used by the 1st Cavalry, 38th Division, and 26th Division during the period July to November to carry out mopping up operations and minor combat operations in Tayabas Province. This information was gathered from interviews with American and Saber Force officers.

d. The unit served in the field as a military organization being fed and quartered by the various divisions to which the Saber Force was attached. The Saber Force's command post being at Lucena and the camp in government tents outside Lucena.

e. The commanding officer of the Saber Force, Major Alfredo Veloso, recommends that a favorable action be taken in this case.

LT. ROLLIE E. ALLEN

1. Concurred in by Chief of Investigation (Capt. F



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1st Lt GAC

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>ASN</u>	<u>Period (by date) of service</u>	<u>Previous Mil. Status</u>	<u>Remark</u>
<u>Enlisted Men</u>					
<u>5th Squad</u>					
Rufino Madrano	Cpl.		9 Feb. to date	None	
Juan Cocadis	Pvt.		9 Feb. to date	"	
Cresenciano Villanueva	"	161497	9 Feb. to date	"	
Valentin Villamayor	"	161025	9 Feb. to date	"	
Arcadio Bacay	"	161499	9 Feb. to date	"	
Epifanio Obnias	"	161179	9 Feb. to date	"	
Federico Custo	"	161587	9 Feb. to date	"	
Quirico Manalo	"	161109	9 Feb. to date	"	
Estilito Dalmacion	Pvt.		9 Feb. to date	"	
Francisco Villaflor	"	161037	9 Feb. to date	"	
Paulo Alcazar	"	161169	9 Feb. to date	"	

Summary:
 Officers - 1
 Enlisted Men - 62

s/ Domingo T. Bermudez
 t/ DOMINGO T. BERMUDEZ
 Actg. Co., 45th Inf. Regt.
 Manila Barrion's Div.

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NAMES LISTED ON GRLA FBM CARDS

BENMUEZ, TOMAS 2 CARDS

RAMOS ALFREDO (PVT-CP) 2 W/ REI-ZAR REGT (SUPPL POSITION)
 (PVT) 1 W ORGN INVOLVED (20 CARDS 5 WITH BMD)

PAZ, FAUSTINO A de (SGT) REI-ZAR ~~PAZ-1~~ DE PAZ-1
 (PFC) ORGN INV DELA PAZ-1

ALCORESA, GREGORIO (PVT) REI-ZAR (ALCORESA) 1 CARD

ALCORIZA, ✓ (PVT) ORGN INV 1 CARD

MEISRA, DELFIN G. (PFC) REI-ZAR 1 CARD

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COCADES, JUAN (PVT) REI-ZAR 1 CARD

COCADIZ, JUAN (PVT) ORGN INV 1 CARD

DALAVANPO, FABIAN (PVT) REI-ZAR (1 CARD)

DALAWANGPO, FABIAN (PFC) ORGN INV (1 CARD)

VILLAMAYOR, VALENTIN R. (PFC) REI-ZAR (2 CARDS)

✓ ✓ NMI (PVT) ORGN INV

OBNIAS, EPITANIO S. (PFC) REI-ZAR (3 CARDS)

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CALABON, ALFREDO

2 CANOS

PFC 307
CPL 309

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2d SQUAD

HARILI, MARCELO (2 CANOS) SGT 307

✓ MELENCIO PFC 309

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DALMACIO, ESTEBITO S. (PFC) REI-2AR (SUPPL ROSTER)
DALMACION, ESTEBITO NME (PVT) ORGN INV (1 CARD)
DALMACION, ESTEBITO NME (PVT) ORGN INV (1 CARD)

VILLAFLOA, FRANCISCO (PVT) REI-2AR (3 CARDS)
VILLAFLOA, FRANCISCO (PVT) ORGN INV

EUFEMIO, ARISTEO (PFC) REI-2AR (1 CARD)
EUFEMIO, ARISTEO (CPL) ORGN INV (1 CARD)

MARTINEZ, GREGORIO (PVT) REI 2AR (5 CARDS)
MARTINEZ, GREGORIO (PFC) ORGN INV

MENDOZA, ALBERTO (PVT) REI 2AR (10 CARDS
3 FOR BARRICA'S)
MENDOZA, ALBERTO (PFC) ORGN INV

CANTOS, MAXIMIANO (PFC) R (-3 CARDS)
CANTOS, MAXIMO (PVT)

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<u>Officer</u>						
Tomas Bermudez	2nd Lt.	028551	9 Feb. to date		PMT	Pltn. Ldr.
<u>Enlisted Men</u>						
Geminiano Raza	Sgt.	161101	9 Feb. to date		Co. Clerk	
Alfredo Calabon	Cpl.	161236	9 Feb. to date		Messenger	
<u>1st Squad</u>						
Elizeo Villareal	Sgt.	161123	9 Feb. to date		None	Sqd. Ldr.
Delfin Costillo	Cpl.	161224	9 Feb. to date		"	
Camilo Manalili	Pfc.	161109	9 Feb. to date		"	
Domingo Obien	"	161585	9 Feb. to date		"	
Anacleto Predilla	"	161162	9 Feb. to date		"	
Honorio Samadan	"	161106	9 Feb. to date		"	
Cosme Sarmiento	"	161522	9 Feb. to date		"	
Antonio Sotomayor	Pvt.	161137	9 Feb. to date		"	
Eutiquiano Landig	"	161529	9 Feb. to date		"	
Maximo Cantos	"	161433	9 Feb. to date		"	
Luis Sawul	"	161152	9 Feb. to date		"	
David Abrea	"	161113	9 Feb. to date		"	
<u>2nd Squad</u>						
David Nunes	Sgt.	161079	9 Feb. to date		None	
Aristeo Eufemio	Cpl.	161133	9 Feb. to date		"	
Francisco Yatid	Pfc.	161154	9 Feb. to date		"	
Sabino Glinogo	"	161456	9 Feb. to date		"	
Doroteo Navarro	"	161090	9 Feb. to date		"	
Jesus Abiejo	"	161085	9 Feb. to date		"	
Melencio Malili	"	161490	9 Feb. to date		"	
Vicente Sanosa	"	161518	9 Feb. to date		"	
Alfeo Quelapio	"	161502	9 Feb. to date		"	
Primo Binuya	"	161151	9 Feb. to date		"	
Alfredo Ramos	Pvt.	161439	9 Feb. to date		"	
Placido Romulo	"	161098	9 Feb. to date		"	
<u>3rd Squad</u>						
Sotero Lagrosa	Sgt.	161176	9 Feb. to date		None	
Conrado Mina	Cpl.		9 Feb. to date		"	
Faustino de la Paz	Pfc.		9 Feb. to date		"	
Horacio Fabian	"	161117	9 Feb. to date		"	
Alberto Mendoza	"	161447	9 Feb. to date		"	
Vicente Duque	"	161236	9 Feb. to date		"	
Juan Alivio	"	161102	9 Feb. to date		"	
Teofilo Pollante	"	161084	9 Feb. to date		"	
Jovencio Palino	"	161093	9 Feb. to date		"	
Herminigildo Quina	"	161237	9 Feb. to date		"	
Fabian Dalawangpo	"	161523	9 Feb. to date		"	
Arsenio Fabio	"	161527	9 Feb. to date		"	
Ponciano Colina	Pvt.	161482	9 Feb. to date		"	
<u>4th Squad</u>						
Anselmo Delantar	Sgt.	161523	9 Feb. to date		"	
Ireneo Lebeste	Cpl.	161095	9 Feb. to date		"	
Gregorio Martinez	Pfc.	161101	9 Feb. to date		"	
Felipe Bertucio	"	161513	9 Feb. to date		"	
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Enlisted Men

5th Squad

Rufino Medrano	Cpl.		9 Feb. to date	None	
Juan Cocadiz	Pvt.		9 Feb. to date	"	
Cresenciano Villanueva	"	161497	9 Feb. to date	"	
Valentin Villamayor	"	161025	9 Feb. to date	"	
Arcadio Bacay	"	161499	9 Feb. to date	"	
Epifanio Obnias	"	161179	9 Feb. to date	"	
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Estilito Dalracion	Pvt.		9 Feb. to date	"	
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Paulo Alcazar	"	161169	9 Feb. to date	"	

Summary:

Officers - 1
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HEADQUARTERS
 UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
 OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

CSCPG

APC 707

SUBJECT: Recognition of Guerrilla Unit

TO : Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, APC 75

1. The unit listed below is recognized by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces, Western Pacific, as having been an authorized element of the Philippine Army, inducted into the Armed Forces of the United States from 1 July 1945 to 24 November 1945:

Co. A, 45th Infantry, Barrion's
 Division, component of Saber Force

Strength

1 Officer
 62 Enlisted Men

2. Under the provisions of Executive Order No. 21, by the President of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 26 October 1944, the status of the members of this unit, during the period above specified, was that of officers and enlisted men of the Philippine Army.

3. Under the provisions of Executive Order No. 68, by the President of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 26 September 1945, all officers and enlisted men of this unit, other than those who are members of the Regular Force or the Reserve Force of the Philippine Army, will be considered as having been discharged from the Philippine Army as of 24 November 1945.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

1 Incl:
 Roster of Unit. (In Dup.)

THOMAS J. BROWN
 CWO, USA
 APC 75

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Lt. Col. Hugh L. Carnahan:

1. Co A, 45th Infantry Barrion's Division, a component of the Saber Force, consisting of 1 officer and 62 enlisted men has been favorably considered for recognition. Approximately 110 men were recognized from this company previous to joining the Saber Force.

2. Basis for recognition:

a. Operations directive No. 1 by the Commanding General, 1st Cavalry Division, dated 9 June 1945, lists this unit as one of the components of the Saber Force. Only recognized guerrilla units were listed on the directive to fill a company T/O these 63 unrecognized men were added.

b. Lt. Col. A. L. Hugins, over-all American commanding officer of the Saber Force recommends that these men be recognized. Lt. Col. Hugins made the statement that this is the only unit not recognized in the Saber Force that is deserving.

c. The unit was used by the 1st Cavalry, 38th Division, and 86th Division during the period July to November to carry mop-up operations and minor combat operations in Tayabas Province. This information was gathered from interviews with American and Saber Force officers.

d. The unit served in the field as a military organization being fed and quartered by the various divisions to which the Saber Force was attached. The Saber Force's command post being at Lucena and the camp in government tents outside Lucena.

e. The commanding officer of the Saber Force, Major Alfredo Veloso, recommends that a favorable action be taken in this case.

LT. ROLLIE E. ALLEN

1. Concurred in by Chief of Investigation Section (Capt. T

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