

319. Unit Report

Hq 1st Br 63rd Infantry

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UNIT REPORT

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I - ENEMY:

A - UNITS IN CONTACT:

1. INFANTRY -

This unit composes the greater portion of the enemy in this sector. There is, as reported, one regiment assigned in the Island of Panay under the command of Colonel TUZUKA (So-so) whose Hqrs is, as reported, in Bacolod, Occ. Negros. Capt. MATANABE (Tai-i), the former dreaded leader of mopping operations in the highlands was recently promoted to the rank of Major and assigned as G-3 with his Hqrs in ISAT. The estimated total of enemy strength in the whole sector regardless of branch of service is 6,000 with Infantry majoring in number. The following are the officers of the different Infantry concentrations in the city: Capt FUJI, incharge of the Rizal Elem. Sch. detachment composing of 250 (estimated) Inf soldiers. Col. MATANABE, whose present assignment is not verified till now, quarters in the Ledesma Residence in Gen. Luna St. Brig. Gen. KUNO supposed to be a commander (division) in the Visayans arrived in Iloilo in an airplane 20 July 44 and quartered in Mr. E. Lopez' Residence. His Hqrs is in the INS. In the TLF and vicinity there are 500 Infantry Jap soldiers estimated, whose main mission is to guard the landing field and act as reinforcements to nearby concentrations when raided by friendly troops. Within this period a company of 150-200 Japs frequently patrolled from TLF to Jeniusy end back. A mobile force from the city estimated to be 200 in number under Capt. MABUKANA mopped up the barrios north and east of Sta. Barbara, 15-16 July, 44 inclusive. The Infantry soldiers of the enemy are equipped with JMRs, Stokes-mortars, .25 cal rifles, grenades and revolvers. A squad of the enemy is equipped with one JMR and .25 cal rifles. A section or a platoon has with it a Stokes-mortar, one or two JMRs and .25 cal rifles. Within this period activities of the enemy were limited. Most of their daily routine was centered on drills and practice and air raid drills with gas masks on. Reshuffles

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of soldiers were noted to be too frequent. The WATANABE force in Guimbal was relieved of its famous Captain. Alimodian garrison was vacated 25 July 44. Measin concentration at Daga relieved by a new force, 26 July 44. Cabatuan garrison (Mpal Bldg) relieved, 24 July 44. Movements of the enemy from the city to the South and North were frequent during this period.

## 2. ARTILLERY -

The strength of this Unit could not be ascertained. This is headed by Major IWANI whose Hqrs is in the IHS. The members of this command are divided into sections and attached to the Infantry Units now assigned in Montes Elem. Sch., Camp Delgado, Jalandoni Mem. Sch., Ilcilo High Sch., ISAT, Rizal Elem. Sch., MLP and TLF. The Infantry Units in mopping operation are seldom found with attached artillery unit. If ever there is, they are equipped with MGs either .30 or .50 cal. The common known arms in this unit are the 75mm guns, 105mm guns; AA guns; MGs, .50 and .30 cal. In TLF there are 4 AA guns emplaced near the main garrison by the side of the road to Ilcilo. Montes Elem. Sch. have 2-75mm guns; 2-105 mm guns; 5 AA guns. 2 AA guns are emplaced in the bushes near the garrison facing the east and 3 are facing southwest. 2-105 mm guns are emplaced in grounds between Montes Elem. Sch. Bldg. and wireless station. They are movable in all directions. The 75mm guns are kept in a nearby building ready for action. In Jalandoni Mem. Sch. there are 3 AA guns; Camp Delgado 4 AA guns. The activities of this unit are not so noticeable as of former months. No firing was heard from the coastal guns, namely, those in the Rizal Elem. Sch. concentration in Tenza, Camp Delgado and Montes Elem. Sch. defenses.

## 3. ENGINEER -

This unit do not have a fixed Hqrs so that the verification of its strength could not be made. They moved in operations by sections or platoons of at least 50 in number. The greater portion of them are in TLF. The well-known officer of this unit so far noted is Capt KADUJA (Tei-i); Engineer OZITA is a civilian in charge of minor developments in the Tiring Landing Field. The equipments they often use in their operation are blasting machines, dynamites, flat cars, engineering tools for the construction of bridges. This unit has been the busiest for the period. Their activities were centered on the construction of the TLF and MLP. Blasting the remains of churches and Sch. Bldg. from which stones were carried to the said Landing Fields were frequent. The Cabatuan Sch. Bldg. was demolished early this period. The church of San Miguel was blasted for the same purpose, 10 July, 44. Civilians from different towns were forced to work on the same fields. In TLF alone the daily laborers, mostly young boys, number to 2,000. Puppet Officials of towns were threatened if they could not furnish the desired quota (number of civilian laborers). The Motor Transports coordinate their movement with this Unit. Usually at least 30 trucks and flat cars are supplied daily to haul stones and materials for the construction of the Landing Fields. To facilitate their transport of stones from San Miguel to the TLF the bridge across Aganaen River was reconstructed and finished. The Engineer unit is in charge of the fixing of telephone wires and poles which

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are often cut by the friendly troops. Civilians (Filipinos) composed the bulk of drivers who are attached to the Engineers. The Shimemoto dockyards also under the supervision of the Engineers has been observed busy repairing destroyed launches and vessels.

4. CAVALRY -

This unit as last observed stationed in Rizal Elem. Sch. There are 40 mules and 12 donkeys which composed the unit. The number of artillery pieces this unit has is not ascertained by the operative so far. The pieces present theretofore belong to either the Artillery unit assigned in said place or to the Cavalry. The activities of this unit are limited for the period.

5. PROPAGANDA CORPS -

There has not been any report pertaining to this unit. Our operatives have been instructed to verify and locate if there is any operation now, but so far no reports as to the findings have yet been received. The only noted propaganda work is that made by the Panay Times, the island publication under the enemy's direction, and supervision.

6. MOTOR TRANSPORTS -

This unit has around 100 drivers, Japs and Filipinos. Jap drivers drive usually vehicles of vital military importance, such as armored cars and officer's service cars. There are 2 known officers in this unit - namely, 1st Lt. Sutcia and 2nd Lt. Suyuka. At least 60 flat cars and trucks and a number of armored cars composed of vehicles in this unit. The flat cars and trucks are used in hauling stones to the Landing Fields, transferring supplies from supply depots to the pier and other garrisons. Armored cars are used in transferring soldiers to the interior towns and back. This unit has been very busy due to the rush constructions of the Landing Fields. The railroad within this period has been used mostly by military force of the enemy. The last station from the city is Sta. Barbara.

7. MEDICAL CORPS -

This unit has the estimated strength of 160. Its present Hqrs is the Mission Hospital under the direct supervision of Capt. YAMADA. The Office of said Unit is in the same hospital. The daily routine in this hospital is the receiving of wounded soldiers of the enemy as well as their sick. In each company (infantry) there are 2M from this unit attached. In the TLF there is a hospital for the same field just made. The members of this hospital are connected with the medical corps of the enemy. This unit takes charge of the sanitation in the fields as well as the rendering of medical care to the soldiers in the vicinity of the TLF.

8. SIGNAL -

This unit has around 80 members. There is a radio set under the care of SARADA (rank unknown) with 10 operators in the Villanueva residence located on Grl. Luna St. afronting the San Agustin College. Most of the members of this unit are attached to the Infantry and Artillery units distributed in different strategical places in the suburbs of the City. On July 44, Lt ISKURA arrived in the city to take charge of all radio stations. The other radio stations are located in Loring and Gay

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Bldgs. in front of San Agustin College. So Japs operate these stations. Telephone wires are also used especially connecting town garrisons to the city. In Mandurriao Landing Field, TLF, Montes Elem. Sch., and Jelandoni Mem. Sch. and ISAF there are Signal stations too. The Infantry units engaged in mopping operations have attached Signal men of not less than 4 with transmitter and receiving sets -- thus coordinated action between Infantry units are effected.

9. MILITARY POLICE -

This unit under Capt KOKKI has around 100 members. Their Hqrs are found in the Ledesma Residence, Bonifacio St. and Boone Hall. There are around 40 in the former and 60 in the latter. This unit employs Filipinos known as KEMPITAIS to detect and point out anybody who has connection with the Army Organization outside. These KEMPITAIS are most dreaded in the city by our operatives. They take charge of investigations, torture and liquidation of proven sympathizers of the Army. Women, kids, and men of Filipino descent are also in their employ. The Kempitaits usually used colored goggles to identify each other. The Chief Investigator of this unit is Capt CHIN whose policy is the liquidation of all proven Army personnel caught in the highlands. However, some of those caught within city limits, the general tendency is the confinement of the suspects, especially females, for three months maximum time in the Bilibid Prison, but male suspects are most often killed. Some prisoners are set free at an earlier period than this. Other known Jap collaborators who participates in the activities of the Kempitaits are HAMADA, OGINO, TANAKA, who at the same time act as interpreters.

10. MARINE CORPS -

This unit has its Hqrs in Insampulogen Island facing Pulupandan, Occ. Negros. The strength is around 80. So far the officers are not known. This unit patrols with motor launches the vicinity of the island and acts as Naval Observation Post.

11. ORDNANCE AND CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE -

This unit's strength has not been verified so far. The shops under its operations are the SHIMAMOTO DOCKYARDS at Lapus, Teller Visayans and the Philippine Railway Yards. Vessels needing repair are sent to the Shimamoto Yard. Artillery pieces, spare parts of arms, and vehicles for repair are sent to Teller Visayans or the Philippine Railway Yard. Of late the dock yard has been very busy. Engineer YIMATSU directs the operation in the dock-yard.

12. MILITARY ADMINISTRATIONS - Japanese CONSULATE -

The Japanese Consulate, Iloilo Branch, is composed of two important officials: Vice-consul SHIGEO IMAI, Chancellor YASUSHI YAMAMIYA. The mission of this office is the administration of the affairs between the Military Administration and the Civil Affairs. It looks into the welfare of the populace with the help of the Puppet Government. Within this period, a proclamation was made regarding the clearing of Provincial Highways to 200 yards both sides of the roads to minimize ambusheads by the Army outside. Civilians in the city so far receive no instructions regarding evacuations. They were instructed to dig foxholes instead.

13. INTELLIGENCE CORPS -

This unit is under Capt MATSUBAYA. The strength has not been (next page)

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ascertained. Major AQUINO is the Asst Intelligence Officer. This unit employs the services of native women, men, and kids, in their espionage work. Just recently, this was reported to have sent out 50 woman spies with instructions to join civil organizations to locate Army installations and GPS.

14. QUARTERMASTER SERVICE -

This unit is composed of around 100 members. The Hqrs are found in the Student Center, La Paz with a strength of 80 and the rest are found in the Ilcoilo High School. The officers of this unit have not been known, except one, Capt. YAMAMOTO.

15. BUREAU OF CONSTABULARY -

This unit is composed of 8 companies namely: the 1st Ilcoilo Company -- 65; 2nd Ilcoilo Company -- 55; 3rd Ilcoilo Company - 100 4th Ilcoilo Company -- 70; 5th Ilcoilo Company -- 70 and the City Constabulary -- 45. The total strength -- minimum (estimate) 400. The following are their officers: Major SANOLAP, PC Commandant, Ilcoilo Province; Capt SALVADOR VILLA, Senior Inspector; Lt. AREVAS, Inspector Molo Detachment Comdr; Lt DELES, Inspector Ilcoilo City; Lt PAGCALINAUAN, Commandant of the PC Academy, Ilcoilo; Lt SOLINIO, Inspector City Hall Detachment; Lt ELPIDIO MORGAS, Guimbal Inspector; Lt SIMPLICIO TURTOLA, Detachment Comdr, Mandurriao; Lt ARABEJO, Senior Inspector, PC Hqrs. The salary of a private is around 100 pesos (Jap currency). Each PC is allotted around 15 rds of ammunitions with them all the time. This unit patrols the vicinity of its garrison only. Some PCs would like to have a contact with the outside force. Those who hesitate are only less informed of our intentions.

16. COASTAL DEFENSE CORPS -

The estimated total strength of this unit found in our sector is 350. These soldiers are under Japanese Officers. They receive the same pay as Jap soldiers. They are armed with 30 cal. rifles. Their supplies are being supplied by the Japs. in fact, they eat with the Japs. They have been observed in small numbers attached to Jap concentrations. They are closely guarded by their Jap masters. Some of these CDS were forced by circumstances to be with the enemy, such as being captured and forced to join or their lives or their families be taken. There are some who joined and work body, soul and heart with the enemy. Some were reported responsible for the killing of Army men and sympathizers of the Organization.

B. JAPANESE OFFICERS AND THEIR ASSIGNMENTS:

OFFICERS	ASSIGNMENTS
1. Brig. Gen. TOKIJI KUNO	Division Commander
2. Colonel TUZUKA	Regimental Commander
3. Colonel WATANABE	Not known
4. Major IWANAI	G-3
5. Major IWAYA	Co. Artillery Detachment
6. Capt KOBKI	MP Officer
7. Capt KADUYA	Engineer Officer

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- 129. Com. T-10*
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| 8. Capt YAMADA    | - | Medical Officer             |
| 9. Capt MITSUBAKI | - | Intelligence Officer        |
| 10. Capt NABUKAWA | - | Co, Mobile Force            |
| 11. Capt YAMANOTO | - | Quartermaster Officer       |
| 12. Capt OHATA    | - | Chief Pilot                 |
| 13. Lieut SUGIYA  | - | MW Officer                  |
| 14. Lieut SUYUKA  | - | Asst MT Officer             |
| 15. Lieut ISOKUDA | - | Incharge of all Radio Stns. |

**C. JAPANESE CIVILIANS:**

So far the number of Japanese civilians found in our sector is not verified. The DAI NIPPON is a Jap civilian organization connected with the Japs Military Organization. It is incharge of the cotton production campaign.

**D. PRESENT ENEMY STRENGTH IN THIS AREA:**

(See latest consolidated reports on enemy strength and arms hereto attached).

**E. ENEMY ACTIVITIES:****1. LAND:**

a. INFANTRY - This unit in our sector has been observed engaged in very limited operations within this period. They had patrolled areas such as the vicinity (barrios) of Lucena, Sta. Barbara, and Cabatuan. Most of this unit's operations were conducted in the South and North. The Medical Corps has been taking charge of the wounded of the enemy from various sectors. It also takes charge of the sanitation in TLB. The Signal unit has been doing its daily routine. No activity of vital importance has been noted during the period. The Artillery Unit has been calm this period. No big sounding pieces has been heard to fire either in contact or in practice. The Engineer Unit has been the busiest. This unit was observed blasting concrete remains of school bldgs. and churches for the TLB and MLP. Also some of the stones were brought to the city for defense purposes. Bridges were constructed -- such as the bridge across Aganan River in San Miguel which was finished within this period. The telephone wires and poles which were cut by the Army men outside were reconnected such as the Telephone wires from Janiuay to Cabatuan and from Alimodian to San Miguel. The Mobile Force of the enemy has not made so many activities in this period. Those from the ELF patrolled Janiuay a few times but they stopped in Janiuay town proper only. Those that come from the city under Capt NABUKAWA patrolled barrios east and north of Sta. Barbara somewhere in the middle of this month.

**b. CASUALTIES ON THE PART OF THE CIVILIANS-**

(1) So far these are the casualties reported by our operative made by the enemy in their recent mopping up operations in the barrios of Sta. Barbara:

1 EPG of Mayor Sucaldito caught at Bo. Jellicouen and killed at Bo. Mambuyo.  
1 Medicinal man killed at Bo. Mambuyo (of the 2d Bu).  
Several cows, carabao & pigs were slaughtered

by the enemy.

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2 laborers from the TLF were suspected by the Japs as Army men and were brought to San Miguel, killed and dropped into the well at the back of the San Miguel garrison.

S. NAVAL:

- Herein stated are the important Naval vessels arriving and leaving Iloilo Port.
- a. 11 July 44 - 4:15 PM. One transport "Sampu Maru" docked at Iloilo Port with about 200 Jap soldiers, 120 boxes of unknown contents. It came from Manila. (NOSI)
  - b. 12 July 44 - 12:45 PM "Sampu Maru" left for Manila loaded with the following: 400 Japs, 200 boxes, 300 bundles (unascertained), Arms: 2-30 cal MGs; 2 AA guns, 6 ft long.
  - c. 14 July 44 - 4:45 PM. One transport tonnage 4,000 anchored with around 1,200 soldiers. They did not disembark.
  - d. 14 July 44 - 5:00 PM. Ship with tonnage of 2,000 docked at port. Cargoes: 6,500 sacks of Thailand rice and 200 sacks of sugar. (NOSI)
  - e. 15 July 44 - 11:00 AM. Transport above-mentioned with tonnage of 4,000 left with all its cargoes including soldiers on board.
  - f. 18 July 44 - 1:15 PM. One transport, 2,000 tonnage arrived, cargoes ~ 350 soldiers (estimated) in full pack; said vessel was armed with "AA" guns, 10 ft long, MGs-30 cal., 1 cannon 10 ft long.
  - g. 19 July 44 - 8:00 AM. "Mihara Maru" sailed for Manila with following cargoes: 12 "AA" guns (50 cal MGs; 8 cannons, 8 ft long; 10 "AA" guns 5 ft long, 250 cases of ammos, 22 bags wrapped with papers; 80 boxes of nets and strings; 60 boxes of canned goods; 8 officers and 180 Jap soldiers.
  - h. 20 July 44 - 8:30 AM. Vessel, tonnage 1,000 painted gray being loaded with 1,000 bayong of copras from the Mitsui bodega. (#2) 2 landing barges so far have been noted. They are used as coast guard and patrol boats. Arms: 1-50 cal MG each. Coastal fortifications as noted by our operatives are located in Camp Delgado, Rizal Elem. Sch. in Tanza and Fort San Pedro. The Dry dock now in operation is in Lapus. There is no schedule for ships leaving and arriving at Iloilo from Cebu, Negros and Manila.

S. AERIAL:

The two landing fields in this sector are the TLF and the MLF. In the TLF, there are, as last observed, 15 planes of pursuit type, in good condition and 3 other which are out of commission. One of this out-of-order planes crashed on 15 July 44 while on practice maneuver over the field. The pilot was killed instantly. There are at present in this field, 17 pilots under Capt ONATA, Chief Pilot. They are housed near the TLF Hospital. The planes take off 2 or 3 at a time to do some reconnaissance job and see observation duties. On the MLF the number of planes vary always. Sometimes there are two, three and sometimes five. The mail plane lands in this field. Planes from other nearby bases such as Negros, land here for refueling purposes. off-shore patrol

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planes came from NLF. The TLF have undergone many improvements within this period. The runways were improved and surfaces made even. 2,000 laborers are employed daily. A hospital was constructed and a power-house was set up. There are 2 runways, 2 refuelling stations; and 15 hideouts. 400 drums of gasoline are stored in a cottage behind the main garrison. 4 "AA" guns are emplaced in front of the main garrison along the road leading to Iloilo. So far the operative assigned in this area has not reported of the presence of bombs or expected source. The presence of around 500 soldiers stationed in the TLF vicinity will act as defense of said field in case of eventualities. Those in the main garrison man the "AA" guns in case of air raids. The aviation HQs is reported to be at the Masonic Temple. Gen. JUNO on 17 July 44 visited the TLF for inspection. He was convoyed by 24 cars loaded with armed soldiers.

**F. ENEMY SUPPLIES AND INSTALLATIONS:**

1. Arms and Ammunition Depot - Student Center
2. Food Supply Depot - Warner Barnes Bodega (rice, sugar and salt) Pacific Commercial Co: (canned goods) DAIDO BOEKI KAISHA, Canned goods; SUN YAT SEN (dry goods, matches, canned goods); MITSUI BODEGA, Copra.
3. Gasoline and Oil Depots - North Negros Bodegas, 250 drums of alcohol; Pier Bldg - unascertained drums of oil and gasoline; CALTEX, gasoline; TLF (At back of main garrison)-400 drums of Aero gasoline.

**G. ENEMY MATERIAL MEANS AND MORALE:**

The enemy's man power shows sign of shortage. Recruits are being called to the colors. Most of the recruits are young aging from 15 to 20 years. Pilots are also young and inefficient as proven by the destroyed planes in TLF. As to war materials the enemy had been observed since the early part of this period to be collecting old discarded iron materials such as nails, reinforcement rods from demolished school bldgs, etc. They employ the sleds and carts in some places where their cars could not pass such as highways to Lucena, Massin and Alimodian. The railway tracks terminate as far as Sta Barbara only. No further constructions in the tracks were made since the railways were destroyed by the outside forces. Presently, there are a little more than 5,000 soldiers in the City including the mobile force stationed in Iloilo High school and ISAT. With this number, the reinforcement from the city to the interior is not much expected. The only reinforcement of the enemy at hand is the Mobile Force composing of around 200 members. A part of this is perhaps out either in operations south and north of our sector.

The morale of the enemy is low. They use force in everything they do even in their dealing with Filipino civilians and puppets. They threaten puppets who could not satisfy their demands. Death is their punishment for those who have radios secretly kept in their homes. Jap civilian morale is the same as that of the Military forces.

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- D. MITSUI BOKEGA, Copra.**
- E. Gasoline and Oil Depots - North Negros (gasoline, kerosene, and gasoline; alcohol; Pier Bldg - unascertained) - 400 drums of CALTEX, gasoline; TLF (at back of Pier Bldg) - 50 drums of Aero gasoline.**

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H. PLANS OPEN TO THE ENEMY:

1. LINES OF ACTION OPEN TO THE ENEMY:

- (1) To hasten the completion of the Tiring Landing Field and the improvement of the Mandurriso Landing Field so as to utilize them to a great and maximum advantage.
- (2) To put up effective coastal defenses and strengthen same so as to be ready to resist or repulse any Allied Landing Force that may come to our shores.
- (3) To penetrate into the interior and plant garrisons therein so as to control and grab supplies.
- (4) To send out Expeditionary Forces in supposed Army controlled areas so as to weaken our resistance, thus making at the same time a trial balloon for his staying here or not when imminent invasion of the Allied Forces becomes very apparent.

I. PLANS OPEN TO US:

1. LINES OF ACTION OPEN TO US:

- (1) To incessantly molest the enemy in his plans and efforts to complete and improve the construction of the Tiring Landing Field and the Mandurriso Landing Field.
- (2) To effect the greatest destruction and sabotage on his lines of communications, installations, establishments and depots.
- (3) To attack or ambush all enemy patrols going out of their garrisons so as to let him feel the limitations of his movements and at the same time to stop him from storing supplies for his use and for his transient and retreating forces.
- (4) To conduct effective and telling attacks on all mobile penetrating forces that may make expeditions or operations in the interior more especially in mountainous areas.

J. DISCUSSION:

1. If the enemy will take line of action No. 1, he would be accomplishing at most but very little, more especially now that the people are busy plowing and planting the fields. The sporadic raids and demonstrations which were effected on the landing fields very recently have succeeded a lot in disappointing the civilians to work thereat. Their forcing of civilians to work in these landing fields had forced the people to scamper away to their great disappointment and anger.

If he will take line of action No. 2, he could not be sure to put up an effective repulsing resistance on account of the Allied Superior Air Force and Naval Batteries not to mention their highly trained and best equipped landing Forces. The disturbances that this Island Organization may give them during actual Allied

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Landing operations would surely make the Japs feel the insecurity of their positions.

If the enemy takes line of action No. 3 he could not be very sure that in so doing he would succeed for the reason that the Guerrilla Forces won't give them a chance to do so, taking into account the present scarcity of food supplies even in Army controlled territories and areas.

If the enemy takes line of action No. 4, it is altogether impossible, as was already proven during their recent penetrations in all sectors and areas of this District. If in so doing his idea is to put a test as a trial balloon, he could not actually count and depend on the sporadic and occasional resistances that he might meet, the fact that our forces do sometimes for tactical purposes refrain from offering any resistance more especially in places which are made their security areas. The high mobility of our forces, especially this Bn would keep him constantly guessing re our plans and activities thus eventually deceiving him as to our real strength.

2. LINE OF ACTION NO. 1 OPEN TO US -- Should we take this line of action open to us we would be doing a lot in blocking the frantic plans and efforts of the enemy to use the landing fields to the greatest advantage. Despite the increased strength of the enemy in these landing fields with the purpose perhaps of protecting and safeguarding facilities and installations, still line of action No. 1 is feasible, not only molesting him but staging effective and telling sabotage activities right inside these landing fields by the employment of our intelligence operatives. By this line of action the enemy would feel the insecurity of his aircrafts in these landing fields thereby lessening the utilization of these fields to the maximum advantage.

Should we take line of action No. 2, the enemy would be deprived of his materials and equipment and the destructions of his lines of communications would disrupt the coordination and proper functioning of his administrative and tactical operations. Though this would be temporary because of their facility to reconstruct same, however, these sporadic disturbances on them once and a while would help us in the prosecution of our tactical missions as for instance, the burning of their installations, depots and establishments would deprive the enemy their already inferior and antiquated weapons whose ammunitions are already running low and other fighting facilities.

Should we take line of action No. 3, the enemy would be contained only in areas very proximate to their garrisons. By so doing the plan of the enemy to store and grab supplies for his use would be disrupted.

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In the effort of the enemy to counteract our line of action No. 3, he would be sending mobile penetrating forces in our areas and sectors so as to destroy our cordons of resistance. If the enemy chooses to do so, line of action No. 4 has got to be taken. Should we take line of action No. 4, the enemy when given effective and telling embushes and if this action is closely coordinated in all sectors of this District, would probably be asking for reinforcements from other islands to help them in their operations. In so doing the enemy would be surprised to meet only sporadic resistances on account of our high mobility and mastery of terrain.

K. RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the enemy's present non-operation in our sector and because of the insufficiency of our supplies and the decrease in our arms and ammunition as a result of the transfers of units, it is hereby recommended that our activities be limited to minor operations with the end in view of protecting and safeguarding the transportation of Class I Supplies which we may procure from the low-lands to our security areas.

II - OUR OWN SITUATION:

A. FRONT LINES:

There is no definite front line defined by higher Hqrs for this Bn to establish and defend. Each Company in this Bn, except the "D" Company which is mobile, has its own sector where to operate. For disposition, please refer to Overlay No. 3 attached.

B. PERSONNEL:

1. STRENGTH OF THE COMMAND:

- Station List (See S-1 Periodic Report)
- Strength Return (See S-1 Periodic Report)
- Recapitulation:

	OFFICERS: EM	EXCESE EM:	PGs
Hq &			
Hq Co---	9	80	50
Com Pltn-	1	35	-
A Co----	5	148	-
B Co-----	6	148	-
C Co-----	6	148	-
D Co-----	6	148	-
Med Pltn-	6	30	-
MP "	1	42	-
Trans "	1	20	-
Engr "	2	40	-
RU "	1	3	-
TOTAL--	44	842	50
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## 2. CASUALTIES (by organization) See S-1 Periodic Report.

## a. Graves identification:

- (1) Pvt Eduardo de la Cruz - Buried in Messin Cemetery.
- (2) Pvt Manuel Aliagalan - " " "
- (3) Sgt Margarito Armeda - Died in enemy hands
- (4) Pvt Clemente Alvarista - " " "
- (5) Pvt Pedro Andon - " " "
- (6) Pvt Federico Moreno - " " "

The spot where they fell had been closely watched by the enemy for several days that no Army personnel nor civilian could go near to recover their cadavers.

## 3. SICK (by organization)

## a. Sick Report - See Sick Report attached

b. Evacuation of Sick - The sick are evacuated by means of hammock carried by two men.

c. Activities of the Aid Station- Hospital and medical personnel (See medical Report attached)

## 4. PRISONERS: (See S-1 Periodic Report)

## 5. REPLACEMENTS:

## a. Received -

- (1) Excess EM reporting for duty.
- (2) Voluntarily surrendered PCs.
- (3) surrendered EM who have reported for duty and now under probation.

## b. Expected -

- (1) Good PCs and GDCs who will surrender.
- (2) Able-bodied civilians.

## 6. STRAGGLERS AND DESERTERS: None.

## 7. MORALE OF THE COMMAND:

- a. Hq & Hq Co - - - Very high
- b. A Co - - - - " "
- c. B Co. - - - - " "
- d. C Co. - - - - " "
- e. D Co. - - - - " "
- f. Attached Units - - - - " "

The up-to-date news about the capture of Saipan, the landing in Guam and Tinian Islands, and other Allied advances in all fronts disseminated to all units thru our "Victory Hill" catapulted the morale of the men to astronomical heights. The arrival of the new "toys" and reading materials such as the "Free Philippines" and "Life" helped bolster the morale of the men.

## 8. TRAINING OF TROOPS:

- a. Training Schedule - (See Training Schedule attached)
- b. Improvements had been noted in Secrecy Discipline and in care and handling of arms by many of the men in this command.
- c. Discipline - The discipline of the men in the command has been much improved.

## 9. CITATIONS, COMMENDATIONS, &amp; AWARDS:

None to report during the period.

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## C. ACTIVITIES BY UNITS:

1. LOCATION OF CPS - See Overlay attached.
2. TROOPS DISPOSITION - See S-3 Periodic Report
3. LOCATION OF ADJACENT UNITS - See Overlay attached
4. OPERATIONS AND RESULTS:
  - a. Operations-(1) INFANTRY: Activities of the line units were limited to intelligence, Sabotage work and transportation of supplies and the usual camp duties. Intensive training was recommenced and the men were kept busy in their routine activities.
  - (2) SIGNAL: Signal communication has remarkably improved. Courier service of this section is now helping a lot in the smooth running of the administrative functions of this Bn.
  - (3) MEDICAL: The Medical Section attached to this Bn under Lt Cesar Capaque had established its Bn Aid Station at Battan-1 and had collected all sick personnel of this Bn and given medical treatment at the said Station. This remarkable move had won the admiration of officers and EM and had greatly improved the Medical Service of the Medical Section. Cases which could be handled by the Bn Surgeon were not sent anymore to the Medical Collecting Co.
  - (4) INTELLIGENCE WORK: The F-TIKTO having established its IGP and FSP in strategic places and closer to enemy occupied areas has made remarkable progress in Intelligence operation and Propaganda. With the active assistance and cooperation of line companies, Intelligence operation of this Bn has been greatly enhanced.
  - (5) BN INSTRUCTIONAL TRAINING: In the latest part of this period, with the purpose of giving instructions and training to the officers of this Bn (both line and staff) this Command has put up a Bn Instructional Training School for a week. This idea has been found of merit and value and has evolved the whole-hearted appreciation of all the officers of this Bn. On account of this, the administrative operation of this Bn was greatly improved. This training and instructions has facilitated the Bn's administration and Staff functioning.
  - (6) STAFF (Regular and Special): Staff Officers' conference and instruction was conducted beginning the 24th of July to 31 July 44. (See Program hereto attached)

## b. Ammunition Spent - None.

## c. Combat Efficiency -

- (1) A Co.....Excellent
- (2) B Co.....Very satisfactory
- (3) C Co.....Excellent
- (4) D Co.....Satisfactory

**B. SUPPLIES:****1. CLASS I (Food)**

- a. Cereal Supply - (See S-4 Periodic Report)
- b. Other Foodstuffs ( )
- c. Problems in connection with Food Supply:

- (1) Limited quantity of cereals, particularly rice. Some sections in the BN Staff had been eating porridge or young ears of corn due to lack of cereals. The Companies under this Command have very limited stock of cereals. It is estimated that the stock of some units will not last longer than a month.
- (2) Hauling of Cereals - Due to enemy penetration or presence of enemy in places where supplies are available, haulers are very much wanting. People are afraid so that sometimes the smooth flow of cereals to places where they are needed automatically stops.
- (3) Prices of Foodstuffs:- The prices of foodstuffs like chickens, meat, eggs, fish, etc, are very high.
- (4) No funds for cereals.

**2. CLASS II SUPPLIES:**

- a. Expenditure of clothing Fund - No fund received during the period.
- b. Distribution of clothing - No clothing for distribution received during the period.
- c. Problems:

- (1) Funds for clothing.
- (2) Laundry soap for washing clothes.

**3. CLASS III SUPPLIES: (See S-4 Periodic Report)****4. CLASS IV SUPPLIES: None.****5. CLASS V SUPPLIES: (See S-4 Periodic Report)****6. MEDICAL SUPPLIES: (See Medical Report attached)****7. LOSSES OF ARMY PROPERTIES:**

- a. "G" STICHTAP - Total of 29-1/3 bultos of palsey lost during the month: (23 bultos burned by the enemy during their penetration at Bo. Lewis and Kalombayan, Sta. Barbara; 2 bultos taken by the Jeps at Nasusin, Illoilo; 4-1/3 bultos for shrinkage).

**8. CONDITION OF ROADS AND CIRCULATION IN OUR AREA: (See S-4 Periodic Report)****9. FOOD PRODUCTION-CAMPAIGN: (See S-4 Periodic Report)****10. STATUS OF EVACUATION: (See S-1 Periodic Report)****11. SALVAGED AND CAPTURED MATERIALS: (See S-4 Periodic Report)****E. FINANCES:**

1. See Finance Report.
2. See Finance Report
3. See Finance Report
4. See Certificate attached)
5. See Finance Report
6. See Finance Report
7. None.

**F. CIVIL AFFAIRS:**

1. See Report attached
2. Activities of Civil Officials:
  - a. Food production campaign

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- b. Procurement of supplies for their subsistence
- c. Collection of fees from cattle registration.
- d. Maintenance of peace and order.
- e. Collection of market and cockpit fees.

3. MORALE AND ATTITUDE OF CIVILIANS:

- a. Morale: Pertinent portion of the report of Lt. CHU, OGOA Officer in this sector states: "The morale of the people in this district remains high in spite of enemy activity since 4 July 44. Since the occupation of Saipan Island on 10 July 44 and the joint declarations of Gen MACARTHUR and Admiral NIMITZ that their next move will be towards the Philippines, the people are ever convinced that the Allied aid is now near. The civilians are informed of the events in Europe and in the Pacific fronts through the news distributed by the Governor to all municipal mayors. World news is being spread in this Command by the Com Pltn Officer. He furnishes copies of the news to Unit Comdres thus disseminating it to all Bn and from thence to parents, relatives, and friends.
- b. Attitude towards Food Production and Army Policies: The attitude of the people towards food production is pleasant. They are ever willing to produce more. However, there are some people who prefer to engage in business due to the high profits that they could obtain or derive from it. Some Army policies seem to be abhorred by the people. Example: Confiscation of palay and stationery.

4. The Civil Government does not collect cedula and land taxes;
5. CIVILIAN CASUALTIES:

PLACE	DATE	NO.
Inogdagan, Zaraga	13 July 44	1-k, 1-w
Zaraga (proper)	13 "	2-k
Mambuyo, Sts. Barbara	14 "	2-k
Calabos, "	14 "	1-k, 1-w
Geje, "	15 "	1-k (mun. policemen)
Inogdagan, Zaraga	16 "	1-w

6. LAUREL REPUBLIC:

- a. Functions:
  - (1) Cooperation with the Japanese Imperial Forces to accomplish their mission.
  - (2) Maintenance/peace and order in enemy occupied areas.
  - (3) Pacification of non-cooperative elements.
- b. Activities:
  - (1) Collection of taxes
  - (2) Campaign for laborers to be used by the enemy.
  - (3) Maintenance of roads
  - (4) Giving of medical treatment to the people.

6. PROPAGANDA AND INTELLIGENCE:

1. Propaganda-

- a. The one incharge of propaganda for this Bn is the Asst Bn S-2 Officer. The accessibility of the loyal civilians to the magazines such as the "Free Philippines" and "Life", has increased a lot the morale of the civilians in this sector.

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E. ACTIVITIES OF INTELLIGENCE UNITS:

- a. Gather enemy information
- b. Detect spies or fifth columnists.
- c. Circularization and dissemination of world news
- d. Do some sabotage work.

H. SIGNAL COMMUNICATION: (See Report of the En Com Officer)

I. ENGR. UNIT: The Engr. Pltms attached to this Bn are at present constructing an Office, Officer & EM quarters in the ACP of this Bn. This unit also recovered telephone wires.

J. QUARTERMASTER SERVICE: (See Report of the quartermaster Officer)

K. TRANSPORT SERVICE: (See Report of the Trans. Officer)

L. CHAPLAIN SERVICE: Lt PARISHING, CT Chaplain said mass in the bivouac area of "C" Co. on 30 July 44.

M. PROVOST MARCHAL SERVICE: (See Report of the Provost Marshal Officer)  
N. PROBLEMS:

1. Insufficient cereals (Present balance 178-1/2 bultos - good for about 12 days only)
2. Lack of following stationery:
  - a. Typewriter ribbons
  - b. Carbon papers
3. Lack of Clothing. Personnel often getting sick as a result of their being ill-clad.
4. Lack of medical supplies.
5. Present allowance for burial expenses (P50.00) not enough.  
(A coffin now-a-days costs from P90 to P100)
6. Unserviceable rifles (defective follower spring, extractor spring, etc.)
7. Lack of intelligence Fund.
8. Lack of Contingency Fund.
9. Insufficient Operating expenses
10. Frequent changes of "forms"

SOLUTION OF THE ABOVE PROBLEMS:

(Respectively):

1. Intensification of QMS procurement and furnishing this Command for sufficient daily consumption and reserve.
2. Higher HQ should furnish this Command with these articles. Commandeering is difficult to enforce. If we will merely depend on commandeering, Administrative functions of this Unit will be hampered.
3. The men are in rags. Some more "pinulpog" and other kinds of clothing should be distributed or else funds for the purchase of these should be disbursed.
4. Present medicines inadequate. More medicines or cash needed.
5. Increase of burial expenses: P100 for EM and P200 for Officers.
6. Traveling Ordnance Officer personnel should be sent out in the field.
7. Disbursement of more funds.
8. Disbursement of more funds.
9. Increase of OS inasmuch as P0.60 per men per day is not enough.  
(Cost of an egg now is P0.50)
10. Standard forms should be adopted.

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C. RECOMMENDATIONS:

TO BE CAPTAINS:

1. (Bvt) 1st Lieut JOSE C. GUIDORIAGAO, Inf
2. (Actg) 1st Lieut DEMETRIC P. CORREA, Inf
3. (Actg) 1st Lieut LEON A. NAVA, Inf

TO BE 1ST LIEUTENANTS:

1. (Actg) 2nd Lieut GASTIMIRO G. ALLONES, Inf
2. (Actg) 2nd Lieut SILVIO AGAP, Inf
3. (Actg) 2nd Lieut NAPOLEON GOTICO, Inf

TO BE 2ND LIEUTENANTS:

1. (Actg) 3rd Lieut SALVADOR S. DISUNGO, Sig C
2. (Actg) 3rd Lieut ANICETO T. AVILING, Inf
3. (Actg) 3rd Lieut FAUSTINO SORIANO, Inf
4. (Actg) 3rd Lieut SAULO T. AGUILAR, Inf
5. (Actg) 3rd Lieut SIGFREDO NAVA, Inf
6. (Actg) 3rd Lieut RAFAEL LONRES, Jr., RS

TO BE 3RD LIEUTENANTS:

1. (Prob) 3rd Lieut BENJAMIN LARIOG,
2. (Prob) 3rd Lieut ALBERTO ROBLEDO
3. (Prob) 3rd Lieut SALVADOR SALADA
4. (Prob) 3rd Lieut CONRADO FUENTES — Held

TO BE PROBATIONARY 3RD LIEUTENANTS:

1. 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. TRIÑED SOLOVERE, Inf
2. T-Sgt CAYSTANO MANAY, Inf
3. S-Sgt ERNESTO MORALES, Inf
4. S-Sgt ALFREDO ROSALES, Inf
5. Sgt RENEGIO LOCARA, Inf

(See detailed Recommendations for Promotion for Officers attached)

*Reffecuerzo*  
FRANCISCO E. OFFEMARIA-62013  
Major - Infantry  
Commanding

OFFICIAL:

*W. B. Langford*  
W. B. LANGFORD, BORONCON-  
Captain - Infantry  
Executive Officer

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SIXTH MILITARY DISTRICT  
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1st Bn - 63rd Inf CT

S-1 PERIODIC REPORT

From .....: 12:01 AM 1 July 44  
To .....: 18:00 PM 31 July 44  
Issuing Unit.: S-1, 1st Bn  
Place .....: In the Field  
Date of Issue: 31 July 44

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MAPS: None

1. LOCATION OF REAR ECHELONS:

RCP - (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4, FO, MP, Signal) - Ogbo, Alimodien  
RCP - Lambuyao, Utan  
MT - Bilidah, Stal Barbera  
Aid Stn - Abilicy, Massin

Situation at the close of the period-

All the sections are functioning normally. All regular and special Staff Officers of this Bn are, at present, at the RCP for conference and Staff instructions. The above-mentioned officers have with them all the necessary personnel, equipment, supplies, and materials to run their respective functions.

Prices of prime commodities have soared to astronomical proportion. This is true with prime commodities in almost all of the localities in the sector of this Bn. With the prices of foodstuffs at such level, it is hard to furnish the men with nourishing meals.

The officers and men in this Bn are in bad need of clothing. Most of the men are in rags while some have but one or two changes.

Due to the order to confiscate stationery wherever found, this Bn was able to secure some. However, what has been secured will not last for more than a month. The civilians, after knowing that our men confiscate whatever stationery they found, tried their best to hide their stationery. Now, it is very hard to find stationery in the markets or elsewhere. Type-writer ribbons are the most difficult to procure. All staff sections and units in this Bn are in very bad need of them.

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In the RCP of this Bn, living quarters were put up. An office, two living quarters for Officers and three living quarters for EM were built. In places, where our RCP and other units are stationed, there are available living quarters.

2. STRENGTH OF THE COMMAND: (by organization)

See Annexes A, B, and C.

3. EVACUATIONS:

Evacuations during the period were mostly done on foot. In most cases, our personnel are utilized to evacuate the supplies, materials, and equipment. Sometimes, when the bulk of supplies, materials, and equipment is such that more personnel are necessary, civilians are employed. In some places where the terrain favors the use of sledges and carts, same are used to advantage.

4. CASUALTIES: (See Annex D.)

5. REPLACEMENTS: (Received or Expected)

- a. Received-
  - (1) Excess EM reporting for duty.
  - (2) Volunteerily surrendered PCs.
  - (3) surrendered EM who have reported for duty and now under probation.
- b. Expected-
  - (1) Good PCs and CMCs who will surrender.
  - (2) Able-bodied civilians.

6. PRISONERS OF WAR: (See Annex E.)

7. CAPTURED MATERIALS: None

8. STRAGGLERS: None

9. MORALE:

A Co - - - - - Very high  
B Co - - - - - Very high  
C Co - - - - - Very high  
D Co - - - - - Very high  
Hq & Hq Co - - - Very high  
Attached Units-Very high

The up-to-date news disseminated to the men help keep up the high morale of the men. The arrival again of the new "toys", reading matters, and some "smokes" maintained the high morale.

For the Battalion COMMANDER:

*Oliver*  
CASIMIRO G. ALLONES-62646  
2d Lieut, Infantry  
Adjutant

SIXTH MILITARY DISTRICT  
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1st Bn, 63d Inf CT

ANNEX "A"

STATION LIST

CO.....(Brevet) Major Francisco B. Offemaria, Inf (Res)-  
62013

HQ STAFF

Ex-0.....(Bvt) Capt. Reynaldo P. Sorongon, Inf (Res)-62168  
Adjutant.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Cossimiro C. Allones, Inf (ROTC)-622646  
S-2.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Napoleon Gotico, Inf (Rvt)-62486  
S-3.....(Actg) 1st Lt. Adequate P. Jurac, Inf (Rvt)-62412  
S-4.....(Actg) 1st Lt. Salvador Llançan, Inf (Rvt)-62229  
Asst S-2.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Gregorio M. Sepays, Inf (Vol)-63082  
Asst S-4.....(Prob) 3rd Lt. Conrado Stentes, (Rvt)

HQ & HQ Company

CO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Salvador S. Disusoco, SigC (Reg EM PA)-  
62572

"A" Company

CO.....(Bvt) 1st Lt. Jose G. Guidoriegas, Inf (Res)-62785  
Ex-0.....(Bvt) 1st Lt. Paulino S. Sulison, Inf (Res)-62530  
JO.....  
JO.....(Prob) 3rd Lt. Alberto Robledo, (Reg EM PG)  
JO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Saulo Aguilier, Inf (Rvt)-62408  
JO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Jose Oliveras, Inf (ROTC)-62786

"B" Company

CO.....(Bvt) 1st Lt. Emiliano Montoxic, FA (Res)-  
Ex-0.....(Bvt) 2nd Lt. Angel Salazar, Inf (Res)-62365  
JO.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Diessere Mac, Inf (Rvt)-  
JO.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Jose Funes, Inf (Rvt)-  
JO.....(Prob) 3rd Lt. Pedro Trabado, (Rvt)-  
JO.....(Prob) 3rd Lt. Benjamin Larios, (Vol)-

"C" Company

CO.....(Actg) 1st Lt. Demetrio P. Correa, Inf (Rvt)-62230  
Ex-0.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Juan Rojano, Inf (Actg)-  
JO.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Alvaro Nava, Inf (Vol)-62751  
JO.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Alejandio Pala, Inf (Reg EM PG)-62339  
JO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Sigfredo Nava, Inf (ROTC)-62758  
JO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Emestino Sorianoosco, Inf (Rvt)-62581

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"D" Company

CO.....(Actg) 1st Lt. Leon A. Navas, Inf (Vol)-62359  
Ex-O.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Sixto Asop, Inf (Rvt)-62398  
JO.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Rufino Barrejo, Inf (Neg EM)-PA-62410  
JO.....(Rvt) 2nd Lt. Bienvenido de la Torre, Inf (Res)-  
JO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Ricardo Nova, Inf (Vol)-62778  
JO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Felicito Farra, Inf (Vol)-

Communication Platoon

CO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Justo E. Alejandro, Inf (Rvt)-62782

ATTACHED UNITS

Medical Platoon

Bn Surgeon....(Actg) 1st Lt. Ceser G. Gepeque, MG (Vol)-62525  
Bn Dent Off... (Actg) 1st Lt. Miguel Jalbuena, DC (Vol)-62320  
JO.....(Actg) 1st Lt. Alfredo Jerezillo, DC (Vol)-  
JO.....(Actg) 1st Lt. Numerinno Jalbuena, MG (Vol)-62319  
JO.....(Prob) 3rd Lt. Salvador Salarda, (Vol)-  
JO.....(Prob) 3rd Lt. Ildefonso Davilaga, (Vol)-

ME Platoon

CO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Aniceto Avellino, Inf (Vol)-62720

Trans. Platoon

CO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Elio Doro Ledesma, Inf (Rvt)-62811

Anger Platoon

JO.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Felipe Gabrieto, Inf (Res)-  
JO.....(Actg) 2nd Lt. Anastasio Tobias, Inf (Rvt)- 62397

Finance Service

JO.....(Actg) 3rd Lt. Rafael Londres, Jr., *F&F* (ROTC)-63053

Special Procurement Officer

CO, "A" GM-1...(Actg) 1st Lt. Francisco Agrante, Inf (Vol)-62240

For the EM COMMANDER:

*Alonso*  
CASI MTR C. ALONSO-62646  
2d Lieut, Inf  
Adjutant

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ANNEX "B"

## CONSOLIDATED STRENGTH RETURN

midnight 31 July 44

UNIT	INR			SN			TOTAL			OVERAGE	
	PRESNT	DUTY		CUT		GA	PRESNT	(-)	ARM	SHORTAGE	
AUTHO-	ACTUAL	SM									
RIZED	LI	% SD	SICK	ON FUR	ANGL	SIDE	U S	SUAL	ARM	SHORTAGE	
STRENGTH	WITH	% IN		PASS LOU		OT		TLES	ABSENT	(-)	
UNIT	CT		OR		AREA						
		AREA									
1st Bn 'OFF' EM											
63d Inf'											
Inf Regt 9 80 9 79 1									9 80		
Co Mlt 1 32 1 36 5 3									1 35		
A - Co 4 148 5 166 5 6							50		5 148	-1	
B - Co 6 146 5 82 5 4						2 41		5-W	5 146		
C - Co 6 148 4 98 7 212						50		5-W-S	5 148		
D - Co 6 148 5 119 5 4						1 25			5 148		
<b>TOTAL</b> 56 707 58 515 26 227						4 2186		9 23 707	-1		

MS	6	30	1	5	527				6	30	
MP	1	40	1	22	17	3			1	42	-2
T-Plta	1	20	1	18	2				1	20	
Ingr.	2	56	2	37	5				2	46	-10
RO	1	2	1	2	1				1	3	
<b>TOTAL</b>	11	148	6	82	580	3			11	125	-14

<b>G-TOTAL</b> 45 656 35 597 576 50						4 2186		9 46 542	-1	-14
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## REMARKS:

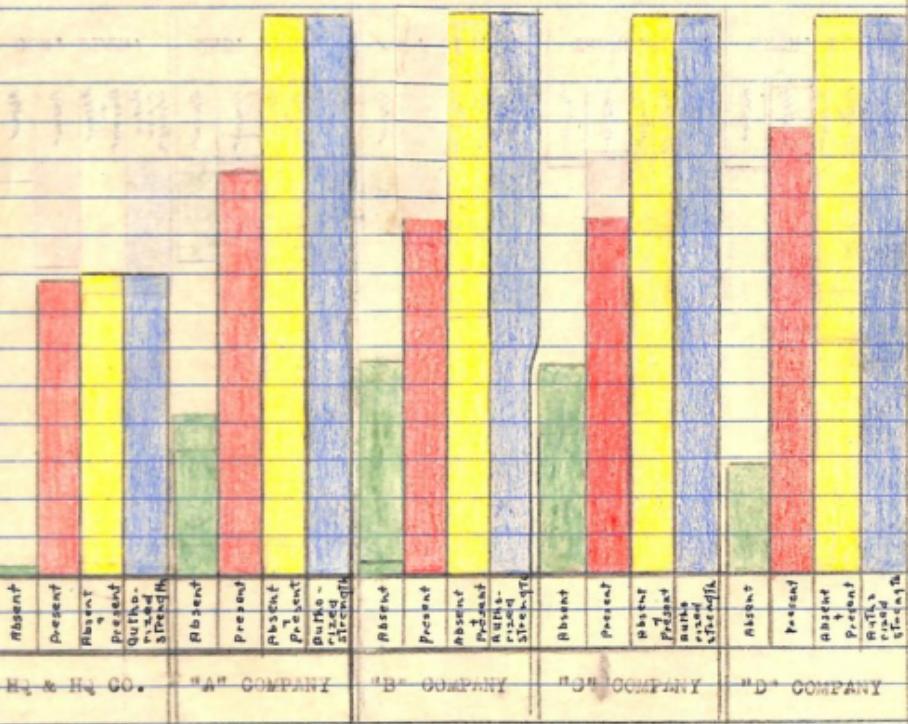
Some of the casualties mentioned in Annex "D" were carried in the Consolidated Strength Return as of 15 July 44, hence, they don't appear in this Consolidated Strength Return.

There are 10 Pcs who are under observation and probation in this Bn and 30 excess EM who are attached for duty and rations.

For the BN CO: *Alvaro*CASIMIRO G. ALVAREZ-62646  
2d Lieut, Inf  
Adjutant

AREA "C"

GRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION  
OF THE EFFECTIVE STRENGTH OF  
1ST BN, 63RD INF REGT



Mr. & Mrs. H. L. Morris  
H. L. Morris

23 Sept '44

Subject: PG OFFICERS & EM  
 To : LT-COL JULIAN CHAVES  
 CO 65D INF REGT

1. The following PG Officers & EM are hereby reported to your Office. All pertinent matters pertaining to them are hereby submitted:

PA	PC	DATE						
NAME	RANK	ORGANIZATION	RANK	STATUS	HOME TOWN	REPORTED	ARM	REMARKS
1. Dec. Ma. Arabajo	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt	21 <sup>st</sup> Division	1 <sup>st</sup> Lt	Res.	Sampaloc, Manila	9/15/44	cal .45	Pistol Fought in Batasan
2. A V Sanchez	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt	24 Reg Div	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt	"	Pandan, Antique	9/16/44	Rev. c. 45	" " "
3. S B Tortola	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt	61st FA Div	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt	"	Estancia, Iloilo	9/16/44	" " "	Fought in "Indanao"
4. M Y Yingson	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt	65rd Inf Regt	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt	"	Iloilo City	9/16/44	Pis. c. 388	" " Panay
5. S C Villa-real	IROTC FEU		2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt	ROTC	Manila	9/15/44	Rev. c. 388	Disbanded in Manila
6. C V Viejon	IROTC NU		2 <sup>nd</sup> Lt	"	Cabatuan, Iloilo	9/16/44	Pis. c. 32	" " "

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ENLISTED MEN

1. J Sanz	IM-Sgt	IMed Co, 61st Inf	M-Sgt	Rvt	Oton, Iloilo	9/14/44	Cal.30 Rif.	Fought in Mindanao
2. D Pedrosa	1st Sgt	61st FA	Corp	"	Cabatuan, "	"	"	" " "
3. A Pastrizco	Sgt	" "	Pfc	PTFS	Passi, "	"	"	" " "
4. A Llanes	"	Hq Co, 65th Inf	Corp	ROTC	Dumangas, "	9/15/44	None	Fought in Panay
5. L Fernandez	"	62nd Inf	"	Rvt	Miagao, "	9/14/44	Cal.30 Rif.	" " Mindanao
6. M Magango	Corp	Hq S Co, Phil Gens Pvt	Reg	Romblon, Romblon	9/15/44	"	"	Panay
7. R Castañeda	"	61st FA	Corp	Rvt	Iloilo City	"	Rev C .32	" " Mindanao
8. F Galino	"	61st FA	Pfc	Rvt	Bingle, Iloilo	"	Cal 30 Rif	" " "
9. V Aguirre	"	" "	Sgt	Rvt	Azavalo, "	9/16/44	None	" " "
10. V Sampiano	"	62nd Inf	Pvt	"	Mandurriao, "	9/15/44	.30 Cal Rif	" " "
11. E Ganadera	"	62nd Inf	Corp	"	Iloilo City	"	None	" " "
12. C Ardenia	Pfc	62nd Inf	Pvt	"	Oton, Iloilo	"	.30 cal Rif	" " "
13. F Barrientos	"	61st FA	Pfc	"	La Paz, "	"	"	" " "
14. T Fuentes	"	" "	Rvt	"	Mara, "	9/14/44	"	" " "
15. P Otero	"	" "	Pfc	"	Molo, " City	"	"	" " "
16. G Asendente	"	" "	Pvt	"	Ajuy, "	"	"	" " "
17. S Pamunag	"	126 <sup>th</sup> Cav, PS	Corp	Reg	Banate, Iloilo	9/17/44	None	" " Batasan
18. F Matulac	"	61st FA	"	Rvt	"	"	"	Mindanao
19. J Dunes	Corregidor	Pfc	"	Civ Emp Pavis, Iloilo	9/15/44	Cal.30 Rif!	Captured-Corregidor	" Fought in Mindanao
20. V Malon	Pvt	61 <sup>st</sup> FA	Pvt	Rvt	Cabatuan, "	9/14/44	"	" Fought in Mindanao

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21. D Ballera		Pvt	65th Inf		Pvt	Rvt	Guimbal, Iloilo	19/14/44	Cal 30 Rif	Fought in Panay	
22. G Catelan		"	" "		"	Rvt	Dingis, "	19/14/44	" " "	" "	" "
23. D Quitor		"	63rd "		"	"	Januisay, "	"	" "	" "	" "
24. M Catutal		"	61st FA		"	"	Pototan, "	"	" "	" "	" "
25. G Morales		"	74th Inf		"	"	Jordan, "	19/15/44	" " "	" "	Mindanao
26. G Depulang		"	61st FA		"	"	Dingle, I.	19/17/44	I Neg	" "	Negros
27. E Capular		"	61st Inf		"	"	Iloilo City	19/17/44	"	" "	Mindanao
28. B Alegro		"	74th Inf		Corp	"	Alimodian, Iloilo	19/15/44	"	" "	" "
29. F Gedalanga		Corp	64th Inf		Pvt	"	Guimbal,	19/14/44	C-30 Rifle	" "	Negros
30. A Sabijon		"	63rd Inf		Pvt CECI	"	San Miguel	19/15/44	None	" "	Panay
31. F Gilpo		"	63rd Inf		Pvt	Vol	Guimbal,	19/14/44	C-30 Rifle	" "	Panay
32. T Jampre		Corp MPG	1st District		"	"	Mandurria	19/15/44	"	" "	" "
33. L Gaddy		Pfc	63rd Inf Div		"	"	Jaro	19/15/44	None	" "	" "
34. A Hermina		"	61st Inf Div Free	Panay	"	"	Buenavista	19/15/44	None	I	" "
									I-30 Rifle		
35. E Marcilla		"	-do-		Corp	Rvt	Iloilo City	19/17/44	None	I	
36. A Rispall		Pvt	"		"	Vol	Vallejado, Negros	19/16/44	"	I	GMS
37. J Bolong		"	63rd Inf		Pvt	"	Iloilo City	19/18/44	"	I	Fought in Panay
38. V Salomon		"	"		"	"	Tigbauan, Iloilo	19/15/44	C-30 Rifle		
39. A Visitacion		"	61st Inf Div		"	"	Iloilo City	19/15/44	None	I	
40. R Barrion		Pvt	63rd Inf		"	"	"	19/18/44	"	I	
41. E Depos		"	61st Inf Div Free	"	"	"	Buenavista, Iloilo	"	"	I	Fought in Panay
42. T Marquis		"	(Panay)		Corp	Rvt	Iloilo City	19/15/44	"	I	Surrendered
43. G Belenio		"	63rd Inf		Pvt	"	"	19/18/44	"	I	
44. A Dalmico		"	" "		"	"	"	19/15/44	"	I	
45. J Delag		Pfc	65th Inf		"	"	"	19/15/44	"	I	Surrendered
46. E Ybiernas		"	61st FA		Pvt	"	"	19/15/44	Rifles .30 cal	"	
47. D Amatorio		Sgt	IPS, FA		"	Reg	Alimodian, Iloilo	19/14/44	None	I	Fought in Mindanao
48. S Lopez		"	"		Pvt	Vol	Iloilo City	19/15/44	None	I	
49. R Loesin		"	61st Inf Div Free	Panay	"	"	Jaro, Iloilo	19/16/44	"	I	Volunteer
50. E Sultan		Pfc	63rd Inf Rgt		Pvt	Vol	"				
51. F Espinal		Pvt	Int Sec. Special Unit (Free Panay)		"	Rvt	Sta Barbara	19/15/44	"	I	Island
52. G Gabieta		"	"		"	Vol	Iloilo City	19/14/44	"	I	"" Go, captured
53. Serafin Matividad		"	"		Pvt	Vol	Guimbal, Iloilo	19/15/44	Cal.30 Rifle	I	Captured - excessed.
					"	"	Iloilo City	19/16/44	None	I	

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4. R Duran	I	I	Pvt	Vol	Iloilo City	19/16/44	I	None	I
55. Simplicio Natividad	I	I	"	"	"	"	I	"	I
56. P Gatalogo	I	I	"	"	Guimbal, Iloilo	9/14/44	I	.38 Cal Rifle	
57. S Abadonado	I	I	"	"	Iloilo City	19/15/44	I	None	I
59. F Ledesma	I	I	"	"	"	"	19/16/44	"	I
59. R Naciongayo	I	I	"	"	Jaro, Iloilo	9/15/44	I	"	I
61. Segundo Natividad	I	I	"	"	Iloilo City	9/16/44	I	"	I
61. M Espinosa	I	I	"	"	Molo, Iloilo	9/15/44	I	W/Ammo .38 rds	
62. D Caspe	I	I	Corp	"	Gubatban "	9/16/44	I	none	I
63. F Dashilla	I	I	Pvt	"	Mandurriao, "	9/15/44	I	C-30 Rifle	
64. I Lazarte	I	I	"	"	Guimbal, "	9/14/44	I	-do-	I
65. E Regalado	I	I	Pfc	"	Molo, Iloilo	9/17/44	I	None	I
66. S Jambre	I	I	Pvt	"	Miggao, "	9/16/44	I	None	I
67. R Salitre	I	I	"	"	Toton, "	"	I	"	I
68. D Ronquillo	I	I	"	"	"	"	April 24	"	I
69. R Santillan	I	I	"	"	Iloilo City	Sept 17	I	"	I
70. T Tenefrancia	I	I	"	"	Tigbauan, Iloilo	Sept 14	I	C-30 Rifle	
71. F Marathon	I	I	Pvt	"	Molo, Iloilo	"	I	Rifle Cal 50	
72. G Tenefrancia	I	I	"	"	Guimbal, "	"	I	-do-	I
73. A Salszer	I	I	"	"	Iloilo City	Sept 17	I	None	I
74. B Tuville	I	I	"	"	Tigbauan, Iloilo	Sept 14	I	C-30 Rifle	
75. S Garvilles	I	I	"	"	Guimbal, "	"	I	"	I
76. J Salazar	I	I	"	"	Tigbauan, "	Sept 15	I	"	I
77. F Surigso	I	I	"	"	Talibon, Bohol	"	I	None	I
78. C Gonzales	I	I	"	"	Iloilo City	Sept 16	I	"	I
79. I Aquilonia	I	I	"	"	"	"	I	"	I
80. L Jampre	I	I	"	"	Miggao, Iloilo	Sept 15	I	C-30 Rifle	
81. C Quidato	I	I	"	"	Sta. Barbara	Sept 17	I	None	I
82. F Hinojales	I	I	"	"	Iloilo City	"	I	"	I
83. R Celeste	I	I	"	"	"	"	I	W/ammo	
84. T Octaviano	I	I	"	"	Miggao, Iloilo	Sept 14	I	W/2 C-cal Rifles	
85. S Paguntalan	I	I	"	"	Molo, "	Sept 16	I	None	I
86. F Villasis	I	I	"	"	Iloilo City	"	I	"	I
77. S Leonillo	I	I	"	"	Pototan, Iloilo	Sept 15	I	C-30 Rifle	
78. C Ispularin	I	I	"	"	Iloilo City	"	I	W/Ammo	I
79. M Slabingco	I	I	"	"	"	"	Sept 19	None	I

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2. These PCs, Officers and EM are at present undergoing rigid training under my direct supervision. For purposes of administration they are organized as COMPOSITE COMPANY under Lt Arabejo, pending proper disposition from that office.

3. Per message received this date from Col Dator, a board of Officers from this team will conduct investigation and will decide as to proper disposition of these officers and men. Request that members of this Board be sent here in order to facilitate and hasten the disposal of these men, either to re-instate them or otherwise. Please expedite as the problem of supplies is hard in my area, particularly when no cereal fund or in kind is being sent to this Command.

4. Request immediately that Operating expenses for these men be RUSHED to this command as their maintenance since they joined this command is being done by me thru receipts only - meaning purchased on credits only.

5. All other PC who may report later will be reported in the same manner as shown above.

REQUEST FUND IMMEDIATELY - PLEASE RUSH THEM TO THIS OFFICE.

(SGD) FRANCISCO B OFREMARIA

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S-2	1st Lieut Francisco S. Urena
Or Duty S-2	Capt Ernesto P. Gelez
" "	2nd Lieut Jose V. Avantino
" "	3rd Lieut Sinforoso Padilla
S-3	Capt Jose S. Magallan
S-4	1st Lieut Salvador Elecnal
Or Duty S-4	3rd Lieut Dan S. Velasco
" "	1st Lieut Francisco B. de Ocampo
" "	3rd Lieut Elias Macarcelio
Finance Officer	2nd Lieut Angel Selazar
Signal Officer, Signal Section	3rd Lieut Liberato Scelo
	3rd Lieut Eugenio Serriga

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CO	2nd Lieut Patrocinio V. Macaco
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"A" Company

CO	2nd Lieut Marcelo del Rosario
Ex O	1st Lieut Casio Aguilar
JO	2nd Lieut Jose Gonzales
"	2nd Lieut Adjudato Jurao
"	3rd Lieut Pablo Alegro
"	3rd Lieut Antonio Jostento
"	3rd Lieut Jose Olivares
"	3rd Lieut Zaccarias Doromal

"B" Company

CO	1st Lieut Guillermo Farromo
Ex O	1st Lieut Leon Mava
JO	3rd Lieut Facatino Soriano
"	3rd Lieut Fresbitaro Santillano
"	3rd Lieut Rodrigo Abano
"	3rd Lieut Arturo Encalconejo

"C" Company

CO	1st Lieut Demetric Correa
Ex O	3rd Lieut Marcelo Trabado
JO	2nd Lieut Felicisimo Lusaya
"	2nd Lieut Eulogio Paez
"	3rd Lieut Roberto Farreno
"	3rd Lieut Joaquin Roldan