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STATUS	NAME	SERIAL NUMBER	GRADE	ARM/SERVICE	RACE	DATE OF CHANGE			MRU/SCU
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 B ABSENT—assigned not yet joined.
 C PRESENT—arrival & assignment from other theaters; or in cont. US from outside cont. US.
 D PRESENT—to military control from dropped as AWOL.
 E PRESENT—arrival & assignment from the cont. US.</p> <p>LOSSES</p> <p>J TRANSFER—within cont. US or within theaters.
 K TRANSFER—cont. US to outside cont. US/inter theater.
 M SEPARATION—battle casualty; missing/captured/death.
 N SEPARATION—other than by death or battle casualty.
 O SEPARATION—all deaths except killed in action.
 P SEPARATION—dropped from rolls as AWOL.
 Q TRANSFER to the cont. US from outside cont. US.</p> <p>DETACHED SERVICE</p> <p>I PRESENT, NOT ASSIGNED—arrival on DS.
 R DEPARTED—relief from attachment</p> | <p>OTHERS</p> <p>2 ABSENT—from duty to AWOL.
 T PRESENT—return to duty from AWOL.
 - PRESENT—arrival at new station, transfer of an intact unit within the cont. US/theaters.
 2 ABSENT—sick.
 3 PRESENT—from; not yet joined/absent sick.
 4 ABSENT—departure on TD/DS from cont. US to theaters, or between theaters.
 5 PRESENT—returned from TD/DS.
 6 ABSENT—departure on DS within cont. US or within theaters.
 7 ABSENT—departure on TD/DS to the cont. US from outside the cont. US.</p> <p>NOTE—Theaters includes bases & departments.</p> | 0
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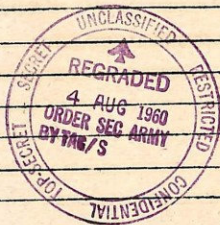
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BOLO ORGANIZATION, LA PAZ UNIT, LA PAZ, ABRA
NAME OF UNIT

SEVERO AFOS
UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

1. Complaints
2. Investigating Officer's Notes
3. Request for recognition - 4 Mar'46
4. NFC ltr - 3 Jul'46

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

AFPO 707

201-
Mr. Severo Afos
La Paz Unit, La Paz
Abra, Luzon

3 JUL 1945

Dear Mr. Afos,

The "Bolo Organization", purporting to be a guerrilla organization under your nominal control, is not favorably considered for recognition as an element of the Philippine Army.

A set of general requirements for guerrilla recognition, established by General MacArthur during the liberation of the Philippines, has been used as a guide in considering the record of this unit. After careful investigation and full consideration of all available substantiating records, recognition of this guerrilla unit is not deemed to be warranted because of reasons mentioned below:

- a. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field in opposition to the enemy.
- b. Members of the unit did not devote their entire effort to military activities in the field to the exclusion of normal civilian occupation and family obligations.
- c. Many members apparently lived at home, supporting their families by means of farming or other civilian pursuits, and assisted the guerrilla unit on a part time basis only.

I It is requested that you comply with the provisions of Executive Order No. 68, by the President of the Philippines, dated 26 September 1945, copy attached.

Sincerely yours,

W. P. MOORE
Lt. Col., AGD
Ass't Adj Gen



1 Incl:
Executive Order No. 68

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Lt. Col. Hugh L. Carnahan:

Request of Severo Afos, La Paz, Abra, Luzon, dated 4 March 1946 for recognition of the Bolo Organization consisting of the Bolo Unit, Women's Auxiliary Service and the Men's Auxiliary Service.

1. Disapproved because the unit was not maintained in the field in opposition to the enemy, members did not devote their entire effort to military activities in the field and many members apparently lived at home, etc.
2. These units are definitely of the bolo, homeguard or volunteer type and as such are not considered eligible for recognition.

CAPT., DOUGLAS C. MURRAY, INF., O-24899

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Camp Spencer, La Union
31 August 1946

SUBJECT: Bolo Units, North Luzon

TO : Commanding General, AFWESPAC, APO 707
(Attn: Guerrilla Affairs Division)

1. In order to clarify the many claims and questions concerning Bolo Units in North Luzon, I wish to enumerate the following:

- a. These units were organized throughout North Luzon primarily for the purpose of labor.
- b. They were organized on a voluntary bases without any promise for future remuneration.
- c. These units rendered excellent service such as: unloading Submarines, cargadoring supplies and equipment, demolition work, and in some cases actual combat.
- d. Many of these units sustained casualties.

2. After 9 January 1945, when USAFIP, NL was authorized to hire civilian laborers, the members of these units were given first priority in order to give them an opportunity to earn.

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R W VOLCKMANN
Colonel, Inf, AUS

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BASIC: Ltr fr Severo Afos, Bn Comdr, Bolo Org, La Paz Unit, La Paz, Abra, dtd 4 Mar 46, Subj: "Claims for pay of services rendered in connection with world war II"

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HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINE ARMY, APO 75, 8 May 1946

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TO: Severo Afos, Bn Commander, Bolo Organization, La Paz, Abra

It is suggested that your request for recognition of your guerrilla unit be sent to AFWESPAC together with pertinent supporting papers.

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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[Signature]
LOPE QUIAL
Lt Colonel, AGS
Asst Adjutant General

2nd Indorsement
HEADQUARTERS BOLO ORGANIZATION, LA PAZ UNIT, LA PAZ, ABRA, 6 June, 1946

TO: AFWESPAC HEADQUARTERS, MANILA, APO 707

Respectfully forwarded to the HEADQUARTERS AFWESPAC, Manila requesting due consideration to the basic communication embodied in the attached request. True copies of the necessary supporting papers are also attached herewith.

[Signature]
SEVERO AFOS
Bn. Commander
Bolo Organization
La Paz Unit, La Paz, Abra



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COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES
Municipality of La Paz
Province of Abra

OFFICE OF THE BATTALION COMMANDER
BOLO ORGANIZATION
La Paz, Abra

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March 4, 1946

SUBJECT: CLAIMS FOR PAY OF SERVICES RENDERED IN CONNECTION
WITH WORLD WAR II
TO : THE COMMANDING OFFICER OR CHIEF OF STAFF
GENERAL HQ, ~~XXXXXX~~ P.A.

I have the honor to request that the services rendered by the members of the Bolo Unit, La Paz, Abra, together with the Women's Auxilliary Service and the Men's Auxilliary Service organized by the Guerillas of the 121st Inf. and the 15th Inf. respectively during their operations in this sector for the liberation of our beloved country, be given due attention to.

These faithful and obedient servants worked side by side with the said 121st Inf. from September 1, 1944 to December 19, 1944 and with the 15th Inf. from December 20, 1944 to April 30, 1945, in combat zones.

~~These faithful and obedient servants~~ and the WAS Organization were inducted of Lt. Baltazar Cabuena of Co. "I", 3rd Bn. right on the very beginning of these organizations, but no papers were issued due to the risk and danger of records falling into the hands of the enemies at that time.

Rosters or record of services were kept up to-date and are ready to support any paper if required.

It is further requested that these services be recognized because they did not hesitate to fight against the enemies although they had only their bolos with them. To supply your office with a concrete proof, I have the honor to refer you to Lt. Baltazar Cabuena, Captain Vicente Diana, Captain Eusebio Cabute Jr., Lt. Juan Dumlaog, etc.

Hoping for the immediate sympathy and attention your good office could render us, we thank you.

Very respectfully,

Severo Afos
SEVERO AFOS

Battalion Commander
Bolo Organization
La Paz, Unit

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"I" Co. 121st Inf.
 Headquarters
 1 September 1944
 USAFIP NL

HEADQUARTERS
 "I" Co. 121st Inf.
 USAFIP NL

1 September, 1944

DEPARTMENT	CERTIFICATE	CERTIFIED	DATE	INITIALS	REMARKS
SUBJECT: CERTIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT AND SERVICES					31 October, 1944
TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:					
SUBJECT: ROSTER, REPORT					
<p>I certify under my official oath that the officers and other members of the Solo Organization, Women's Auxillary Service, Men's Auxillary Service, of the municipality of Ia Paz, Abra, have rendered services continuously and efficiently with the 121st Inf. USAFIP NL, in combat zones covering the period from September 1, 1944 to April 30, 1945.</p> <p>Certificates of appointments were not issued to them due to the risk and danger of names and records falling into the hands of the enemies at that time.</p>					
					Number of Companies -4- Number of Officers -21- Master Sergeants -1- Sergeants -5- Technical Sergeants -1- Private First Class -37- Privates -319- Band -14- Total Strength
					(Sgd.) BALTAZAR CABUENA Lt. CO Abra Sector, USAFIP NL
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CERTIFIED COPY:					
(Sgd.)					
TRUE COPY					

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	<p>I certify under my official oath that the officers and other members of the Boys Organization, Women's Auxiliary Service, Men's Auxiliary Service, and the municipalities of La Paz, Azusa, have rendered services continuously and efficiently with the 1st Airborne Infantry, in combat zones covering the period from September 1, 1944 to April 30, 1945.</p> <p>Certificates of appointments were not issued to them due to the risk and danger of names and records falling into the hands of the enemy at that time.</p>					
	<p>1st CO Air Secor, 1st Airborne Infantry</p>					
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BOLO BN. HEADQUARTERS
La Paz, Abra

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31 October, 1944

SUBJECT: ROSTER, REPORT
 TO: HEADQUARTERS, 121st Inf.

1. Herewith is the Roster of the Bolo Battalion of La Paz, Abra, summarized @ its full strength:

- Number of Companies -4-
- Names of Companies A, B, C, & D.
- Number of Officers -21-
- No. of Non-Commissioned Officers :-
- Master Sergeant -1-
- First Sergeants -5-
- Technical Sergeants -1-
- Staff Sergeants -2-
- Sergeants -47-
- Corporals -38-
- Private First Class -37-
- Private -339-
- Band -14-

Total Strength: -475-

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:
(Signature)
SEVERO AROS
 Bn. Commander

CERTIFIED CORRECT:
 (Sgd.) MANUEL BERONILLA
 Military Mayor

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