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JONES GUERRILLA UNIT

NAME OF UNIT

Antonio N. Nicanor

UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

- _l. Complaints
- 2. Investigating Officer's Notes
- 3. Ltr. fr. C.D. Bello, to President P.I. dated 10 May 46 also 24 Aug. 1946, w/Inds.
 - 4. Acknowledgment to request status, ltr. Hq. AFWESPAC dated 19 March 1946
 - 5. 2nd. Ind. to American Ambassador, 1tr. Hq. AFWESPAC dated 21 Dec. 1946
 - 6. NFC/D1 ltr. Hq. AFWESPAC dated 23 Dec. 1946
 - 7. Acknowledgment to compaint ltr.--Ltr. Hq. Philrycom dated 27 March 1947
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HEADQUARTERS, PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND, APO 707 28 MAR 1947

TO: American Ambassador, Manila, Philippines, APO 736

Forwarded for your information is copy of direct reply to Mr. Francisco Apostol.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

l Incl l - Copy of Ltr to Mr. Francisco Apostol

Col Gerald F. Lillard:

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HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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Mr. Francisco Apostol Municipal Treasurer Jones, Isabela Philippines

Dear Mr. Apostol:

Your letter of 14 Warch 1947 has been forwarded through diplomatic channels to this headquarters for reply.

The individuals to which you referred in your letter are being presently studied. It will be appreciated if the statements of your-self and other authorities, bearing upon this subject, be prepared and dispatched promptly to this headquarters, attentions Guerrilla Affairs Division.

It is desired to thank you for the interest that you are showing in this matter in assisting this headquarters in arriving at just and accurate decisions.

Sincerely,

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Lt Col Hugh L Carnahan:

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- 1. Receipt acknowledged.
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23 DEC 1946

Mr. Antonino N. Nicanor Jones, Isabela P. I.

Dear Mr. Micanor:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated 30 October 1946, Subject: "Roster of Jones Guerrilla Unit (Jones, Isabela)."

Special press release from Public Relations Office, appending dated 1 Pebruary 1946, stated that no applications for recognition of guarrilla units would be accepted by this headquarters after 15 Barch 1946. This press release received wide circulation in the newspapers and was broadcast over local radio stations.

Your request for recognition of the Jones Guerrilla Unit was received at this headquarters on or about 19 November 1946 in an envelope postmarked 15 November 1946 and does not meet the deadline referred to above.

It is considered generally that all concerned have had ample opportunity to prepare applications for recognition. In the opinion of this headquarters, your request for an extension of the time limit mentioned above is not adequately justified and is not, therefore, favorably considered.

Returned herewith is your request for recognition of the Jones Querrilla Unit, together with rosters and supporting papers.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS J. BROWN CWO, USA ASST ADJ GEN

21 Incls: Nest to Peers of 1. Ltr fr A. N. Micanor to GG, APHERPAG, 36 Aug 46.
2. Ltr fr He 3rd En, 128th Inf, APO 32 to HPA, 10 aug 45.

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3. Roster, Hq Plat "A" Co (4 pages).

4. Roster, "A" Co, Jones Grla Unit (7 pages).

5. Certified true copy of certificate, Capt Earl H. Walters, 16 Aug 45; certificate, 1st Lt Meril Hermasen, 14 July 45; and ltr, Hq 6th Inf Div, 6th Counter Intelligence Corps Det, APO 6, to GO, Jones Grla Forces, 25 July 45.

6. Resolution 197. Provincial Board of

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Det, APO 6, to CO, Jones Gris Unit, 25 Jul 45.
10. History of Jones Gris Unit, 30 Oct 46 (2 pages).

11. Ltr sed by Bustaquio T. Solda, 22 Dec 45.

13. Affidavit by Marcelino G. Juan, 28 Jan 46.
14. 4 different pieces of note.
15. Fragmentary S-2 Rpt, Hq Jones Grla Battalion,
26 June 45 (2 pages).

16. Bureau of Educ Div of Isabela Achievement

17. Rpt, S-Quarters Jones Gris Bn, 26 July 45. 18. Fragmentery S-2 Rpt, 22 July 45, Hq "A" Co, by Jose F. Castro.

19. Fragmentary S-2 Rpt, 21 July 45, Hq "A" Co, by Jose F. Castro.

20. Map of Jones, Isabela (2 pages).

21. Ltr to Brig Gen Macario Peralta, 30 Oct 46, fr Rosario D. Micanor.

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Lt Robert L. Morton /ppm

Jones, Isabela October 30, 1946

SUBJECT: Roster of Jones Guerrilla Unit(Jones, Isabela)

TO : THE COMMANDING CENERAL, AFWESPAC (Attention Querrilla Affairs Section, G-3)

- Attached herewith a revised roster of the JonesyOuerrilla Unit and other pertinent papers regarding the same unit.
- The original roster of this unit was submitted, October 1945 to Lt. Middleton, the Guerrilla Affairs Section Investigator. Up to this time, nothing has been heard about its request for recognition.
- 3. The Jones Guerrilla Unit, Jones, Isabela, had done it s part in the externination and liberation of the Philippines together with Associan liberation forces which came to Isabela late in June, 1945. The town of Jones, labela , up to Primappagan, a term east of Jones, was the last retreating ground of the Japa.
- 4. Anything that could be done to expedite the request for the recognition of this unit, would be appreciated by the Loyal and brave members of the Jones Guerrilla Unit.

Gommanding Officer

Incl.: As stated.

Address all communication to 24 Norte, Sta. Cruz, mmanila.

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HEADQUARTERS, 3RD BATTALION, 128th INFANTRY APO 32

10 August 1945

SUBJECT: Reporting by USAFFE members of Jones Guerrilla En
TO : Fnilippine Army Headquarters, (Through Channels)

 In view of the present tactical situation it will be nearly impossible for USAFFE members of this Jones Guerrilla En to report to the Philippine Army Headquarters or a replacment Camp by Autus 15th.

- 2. At present they are being used by American Army Forces as guides and interpreters and are doing a very valuable job for our unit. Some of them are still in terratory occupied by the Japanese.
- 3. This Headquarters and that of the Jones Guerrilla En would like to know just what can be done in this situation.

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SGD. Earl M Walters t/ BARL M WALTERS Capt. 128th Infantry 3rd Bn S- 3

Distribution: Guerrilla Regt. Hq. Philippine Army Hq.

Philippine Army Hq.
Jones Guerrilla Bn
3rd Bn, 128th Infantry

A CERTIFIED EXTRACT FROM THE ORIGINALS

ANTONINO N. NIGANOR Captain, AGS (PA)

Captain, AGS (I USAFFE 0-48039

Commanding Officer, Jones Gunerrilla Unit Jones, Isabela

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M/R: Basic Ltr fr the Department of Boreign Affairs, Republic of the Philippines, dtd 11 Nov 46, forwarded to the American Embassy atcad letter fr (Maj) Catalino D. Bello, addressed to President Roxas, referring to the petition for recognition of the Jones Guerrilla Battalion, FIAT 1st Bn, Straughn Regiment.

Maj Titus, GAB

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HEAD DARTHES, UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES MESTERN PACIFIC, APO 70721 DEG 1946 To: The American Embassador, Manila, Philippines.

Attached for your information is a copy of letter from this headquarters to Mr. Catalino D. Bello, informing him of the status of the Jones Guerrilla Battalion, Streughn's Regiment. M/R: Basic Ltr fr the Department of Boreign Affairs, Republic of

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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

1 Incl: w/d 2 Incls - # 1 & 2 Added 1 Incl 3 - Ltr, Hq AFFESPAC, OSCPG 091 FI, dtd 19 Dec, to Mr. C. D. Bello



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The American Embassy, Manila, P.I., APO 736, 25 November 1946

To: Commanding General, AFWESPAC, APO 707

Forwarding note dated 11 November 1946 from the Department of Foreign Affairs, Republic of the Philippines, requesting transmittal of the attached papers regarding the petition of Major Catalino D. Bello for the recognition of Jones Guerrilla Battalion.

For the Charge d'Affaires a.I.:

/s/ R.H.KREUTER /t/ R. H. KREUTER Colonel, GSC Military Attache

a true copy:

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Mr. Cataline D. Bello . Jones, Isabela 19 DEC 1946

Dear Mr. Belle:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 24 August 1946, in which you request information as to the status of Jones Guerrills Estalion, Straughn's Regiment.

A thorough search of the files of guerrilla units pending investigation fails to reveal any request for recognition for the Jones Guerrilla Battalion, Strumphn's Regiment. There is no record of correspondence on this unit up to or later, than 15 March 1945, when acceptance of guerrilla unit claims was officially terminated.

It is therefore necessary to inform you that no action has been taken on this unit.

Sincerely yours,

Lt Col Hugh L Carnahans

Receipt acknowledged of letter from Catalino D. Bello dated 24 August 1946 requesting the status of Jones Guerrilla Battalien, Straughn's Regiment. This unit has no record on file in this headquarters. Therefore, no action has been taken on this unit.

Maj George W Titus

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Republic of the Philippines P Department of National Defense

Manila

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4th Indorsement November 4, 1946

Respectfully forwarded to the Honorable, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Manila, requesting the favor of transmitting, thru His Excellency, the Ambassadro of the United States of America, to the Commanding General, ArmsPAC, for consideration, the within papers regarding the petition of Major Cataline D. Bello for the recognition of Jones Guerrilla Battaline.

RUPERTO K. KANGLEON Secretary of National Defense 153.64

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE PHILIPPINES CAMP MURPHY, QUEZON CITY OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF



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3nd Indorsement October 29,1946

Respectfully returned to the Honorable, the Secretary of National Defense, Manila, with the information that subject guerilla unit is not yet recognized per record on file at this Headquarters. In this connection, it is recommended that representation be made at Headquarters, AFFESFAC, for recognition of subject unit, if ever a roster of same has been submitted for recognition.

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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Brigadier General, PA
Deputy Chief of Staff

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Republic of the Philippines
Department of National Defense
Manila

2nd Indersement October 16, 1946

Respectfully referred to the Chief of Staff, Philippine Army, Manila, for appropriate action and advice.

For the Secretary:

ANTONIO P. CHANCO
Major, CE
Military Assistant

Office of the President of the Philippines

1st Indorsement Manila, October 3, 1946

Respectfully referred to the Honorable, the Secretary of National Defense, Manila, for appropriate action, advice of which will be appreciated.

> Assistant Secretary to the President



Jones, Isabela August 24, 1946.

His Excellency, President Manuel A. doxas Malacanan, M a n i l a

Dear Mr. President:

At last you again hear from one of your most loyal subjects, acting and in behalf of all the members of the Jones Guerilla Battalion, FIAT 1st Bn. Stranghn Enginent, reiterating our undivided faith and loyalty to you and your administration. Recalling the odds and adversities we have undergone in the past, we are indeed very much gratified that the cause for which we fought and suffered was won and much more gratified Mr. President because we have succeeded in electing you at the helm of the State. Immediately when the results of the last elections were known, we sent to you a congratulatory message under dute of May 10, 1946, copy of which is here to attached embodying the happy feelings we then had at that most at. The warmth of such happiness is still felt undiminished, and would last forever specially if you should give our attached letter your worthy consideration, whatever it may merit.

At this juncture, Mr. President, I am constrained to make mention of Lt. Col. Antonino A. Michor, who was with me in organizing the Jones Gerilla. Bh. before he was activated in the Army. You may recall and he was with me when we ment you ad your party at Santiago, Isabela before the elections and we slopt altogether at the house of Governor Silvino M. Gangal at Echague. Lt. Col. Michor confessed to me that while at the PA, he was not given a break inspite of his meritorious services and conjectly as C-2 of the 61st Division, Island of Panny, before and at the time of surrencer in 1942. It Col. Michor never surrendered until he was caught by the Japs at Jones, Isrbela, together with the late Col. Maker but lackily he was able to escape from the Japs stockade in Echague, Isabela at the eve of his execution. At present, It. Col. Michor is now in the General Office of the Bureau of Education, Manila, as General Office Supervisor. We left the PA because he felt he is more at home in the Bureau of Education than in the Army. With such a sacrifice and for the sake of justice and equity, I plead for my comrades, It. Col. Antonino A. Michon.

It should not be amiss to mention that both of us are constantly being besieged by our officers and members of the Jones Cherilla Bu. with the annious desire as to what has become and what shall be the status of our outfit. It. Col. Micanor is out most of the time inspecting the different public schools in the provinces and myself too. I am also out in the field a Insurance Agent Supervisor for which our usprotected exposure to outside places would be very risky especially if we can not satisfy the members of our group. For this reason, it. Col. Micanor and myself carnostly beseeked your kind and worthy consideration so that the Jones Guerilla Bu. should be placed in where they rightfully belong and that they should merit and be deserving of their recognition from the military authorities of the US army as you have promised as before when we frequented your office as then Fresident of the Senate and later when you can to Isabel, before the last elections. Engardless of all promises, all our officers and men including their friends and relatives stood firm behind you until when you were elected as President of the Republic of the Philippines and our loyalty

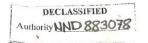
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and faith to you and your administration shall never get cold until the end especially if you will untillicity help us know definitely from the AFFERFA authorities our status as a Guerilla Unit and at the same time to please help us know definitely the back pay of our URAFFE Officers and emlisted mess tegether with the votornus from the Visuyas and Batames.

behalf and relterating ones more our undivided loyalty and support to you and to your admistration, we pray God that you shall always be in the best of health, strong and sound always to meet the problems of the STATE.

Very respectfully,

Bn. S-4, Astg. Bn. Commander Jones Guerilla Bn.



HEADQUARTERS
JONES GUERILLA BN.
STRAUGHN REGIMENT
(FORWERLY CLAUDIO REGIMENT, WESTERN PANG.)
Jones, Isabela

May 10, 1946

The President- mr. Manuel A. Roxas Manila, P. I.

Dear Mr. President:

This is the Jones Guerilla Bn. (Straughn Regiment) writing to congratulate you on your triumph at the polls, as well as that of your running mate, Mr. Elpidio Quirino, Sen. Arranz, the Campaign Manager, Sen. Jose Avelino and all the Party in general.

We hope that you don't doubt the faithfulness and how solid our unit has been for you and the Party. Right in this town there are about 800 of us, members of the Jones Guerilla bn. You polled 1511 votes against 443 for Mr. Osmeña. We can safely say that our unit has not deserted your cause, call it the cause of the Liberal Wing, but it cannot be denied that there would have been no Nationalista Liberal Wing without you. For it was you, your personality, your past records, your deeds of valor, your demonstrated ability and patriotism, your defense of those who suffered and died, your sympathy for the poor and the downtrodden that led the people to flock to our side in the last electoral fight.

Congratulations Mr. President ! May God bless you with the best of health during your administration, that you may render the best in you to realize the noble aims and purposes enunciated in your electoral campaign.

Yours respectfully,

SGD. CATALINO D. BELLO Reg. S-4-Acting Bn. Commander

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