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GEORGE O'ZANA NOVOU'ROU UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

- 1. Complaints
- 2. Investigating Officer's Notes
- 3. NFC/DL ltr dtd 11 Dec 147
- 4. Ltr fr Hq,PHILRYCOM to G O'Zana Nouvou'rou dtd 9 Feb 48,
- returning his history & roster submitted by 1tr dtd 12 Jen 48 5. Ltr fr Hq, PHILRYCOM to 1tr re further consideration (G O'Sens Nouvou'rou) dtd 8 Mar 48, w/Incls

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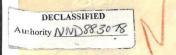
Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

- 1. Basic, letter from Mr. George O'Zana Novou'rou to CG FHILRYCOM, dated 19 Feb 48, requesting further consideration of a request for recognition of the George-Andre Unit, Fil-American.
- 2. Mr. Novou'rou requested recognition of his unit on 20 Nov 47. Our reply of 11 Dec 47 informed him of the closing date of 15 March 46 and returned all his papers. He sent one of his officers to GAD to gain information concerning our reply and we gave this representative a copy of our letter as he apparently had not received the original. On 4 March 48 the papers and our original reply of 11 Dec 47 was returned unclaimed. Our reply to basic informs Novou'rou that his papers were returned to this headquarters and will be placed in file and that our letter of 11 Dec 47 contained final information.

1st Lt George E. Kemper

Concur: Capt E. R. Curtis Chief, Units Branch





HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND

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8 -MAR 1948

Mr. George O'Zana Movou'rou George-Andre Unit Baclaran Catholic Convent Baclaran, Parañaque Rizal, Philippines

Dear Mr. Novou'rous

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 19 February 1948, requesting further consideration of your request for recognition of the George-Andre Unit, Fil-American.

You were informed in our letter of 11 December 1947 of the reasons for the non-acceptance by this headquarters of your request for recognition of your unit. A copy of this letter was furnished you inasmuch as you apparently had not received the original letter.

It is desired to inform you that all papers forwarded in your letter of 20 Nevember 1947, requesting recognition of your unit, tegether with our reply to that letter, dated 11 December 1947, were returned to this headquarters on 4 March 1948 as your return address of Eaclaran, Paramaque, Rizal, was apparently insufficient and you could not be located. These papers have been placed in the files of this headquarters.

Sincerely,

R. E. CANTRELL Capt. AGD Asst Adj Gen

Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

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19 February'48

R. E. Centrell
Capt. AGD
Asst. Adj Gen
Office of the Commanding General, Philippine Ryukyus Command, Hqs.

Dear Capt. Cantrell:

This will acknowledge in receipt of your letter we only received the above date, which was dated 2 Feb. 1948, and that none ortherelse having been forwarded to us and accepted pertaining to all rosters and supporting papers of George andre Unit cited 11 December 1947, as evidenced Thus:

"A"- That on the 11 December 143, the undersigned Overall Commander sent his two (2) Officers to your Office just to findout be the result of our filing for recognition, did spent the
whole day and requested a certified true copy of your decision,
as herewith inclosed, as marked "Exh" "A!, clear to say that
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it, furthermore as it appearings the same date of time as
could be done to hand them (to my assigned said Officers) and
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however, this Headquarters have taken steps this matter to the
Bureau of Post to conduct an investigation pertaining the lines;

At the outset, it is not the intention of the undersigned to question more the decision of that headquarters but, to write you and figure-out once more, with matters we think would be of great value. Sir, since the outbreak of war last 8 December'41, we had never been contented of our affairs nor stay in sound basis with the Japs when already our superiors, for a Nation we realized DEMOCRACY UNDER UNCIE SAM's Due to said reasons we formed these Guerrilla-Units, we the people of the PHILIPPINES without the advised of anybody nor any Nation, but as a real citizens of a Nation did it voluntarily, as a duty to "GOD" and "COUNTRY": "Do and Die" to fight for Democracy against Imperialism is our own banner beleiving afterall that we can shouts to this world that DEMOCRACY IS JUSTICE":

Honest speaking "WITH OR WITHOUT BEING RECOGNIZE" I would not "feel", feel-sore as what I did and several thousands of my man, was not merely done for you but for Ourselves too in general, "So What"?, really, Love GOD above all things leads and comes love of COUNTRY, so to die of Country is and always right as an obligation., Frankly speaking it would not mean a lot, not to be recognize, as if we such would mean that we may just be after due compensation, "WE ARE NOT AFTER IT"

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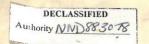
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As to attachment papers we don't kick hell about such before. as "IT IS SERVICE NEEDED AND NOT PAPERS ALONE" in short to say, during the occupation, Col. Hugh Straughn 0-2515 US-Army, aomes to be our great first Overall commander of the Southern Central Luzon, did not site any word about attachment papers during the whole-time of his life and administration and-

ALL ORDERS WERE MADE VERBAL, AS PER ORDER THOM GENERAL DOUGLAS MC ARTHUR TO COL. C.A.THORPE, Guerrilla Representative of the USAFFE, on 28 August 1942, in the islands, Luzon Area, Philippines, Attached herewith the issued true copy of the GENERAL ORDER NO.1, the only official Army attachment paper we have and ought to be followed by our Unit & Matta's Party during the occupation:

As to the Liberation attachment papers of our Unit, US-Army officials failed to give us a duplicate copy they possessed, besides after disarming my mentoldus, that its already peace all of you can go to your own-homes to see your families; other members of this unit had been attached to US-Forces had the same roundithance problems as said above;

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HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

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Mr. George O'Zena Novou'rou Baclaran, Paranaque Risal, Philippines

Dear Mr. Novou'rous

This will acknowledge receipt of your two letters, the first, dated 25 September 1947, directed to the President of the United States requesting the President's intervention in behalf of the untimely initial claim for recognition of Faros Brigade, Fil-American Irregular Troops; the second, dated 20 November 1947, to the Commanding General, this headquarters, requesting recognition of the George-Andre Unit, Fil-American, and forwarding pertinent papers in support of the claim thereof.

It is desired to inform you that this headquarters had been conducting a program of guerrilla recognition for one year prior to the announcement, on 1 February 1946, of the deadline date of 15 March 1946 for the submission of applications for recognition of guerrilla units. Subsequent press and radio releases announcing the final dates for the acceptance by this headquarters of application for individual guerrilla claims, reiterated the deadline date of 15 March 1946 for the acceptance of unit claims. Inasmuch as information regarding this closing date was widely disseminated throughout the Philippines by press, radio, and municipal agencies, it is considered that all concerned had ample opportunity to prepare unit applications for recognition by 15 March 1946.

During this entire period the question of guerrills recognition was constantly brought before the citizens of the Philippines to such degree that it would appear indeed unusual that records of a unit could not be found and submitted to this headquarters within this extended period. It is desired to point out that this headquarters has never been arbitrary in reaching a decision, the presentation of compelling evidence ever being a deciding factor. Perusal of the records and evidence presented in behalf of the George-Andre Unit, Fil-American, fails to reveal such compelling evidence. It reveals, however, that all records and evidence are of very recent origin and do not satisfy the criteria used as a guide in the recognition of guerrilla units.

In cognizance of the foregoing facts, it is with regret that this Reedquarters must inform you that your request for recognition of the George-Andre Unit, Fil-American, cannot be accepted for sensideration.

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Returned herewith are the papers forwarded in your letter of 20 November 1947.

Sincerely,

1 Incl Papers of Unit R. E. CANTRELL Capt., AGD Asst Adj Gen

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LESTER W. FIERCE JR lst Lt., CAC Chief, Records Section

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> G. A. TURK LIMIT, COL. UMA. GUARRILLA RESPONSAÇÃO LUBERTO

I certify this a true copy, 26 august 1012

LOUIS M. BRILL LOUIS H. BELL

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HIS EXCELLENCY.
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES VARIED/STOP, D. C., U. S. A.

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I am writing this continental missive to appeal to your Excellency the continents of approximately 2,000 members of my organization, 28000 HERMER, Fill-approximent Troops, under the ownell command of the late Colonel HUR STRAUGH, 0.2515, Da work

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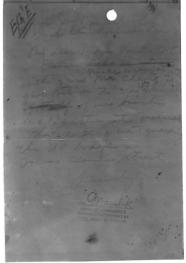
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AMERICAN EMBASET
Hanile, Philippines, November 20, 1947

Mr. George O'Esna, Hq. Farce Brigade, Fait, Baclaran Catholic School, Baclaran, Faranague, Risal.

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By direction of the Secretary of State, I am placed to admontalge the receipt at the Unite House of your letter of September 25, 1947, and to inform you that your communication has been referred to responsible officials of the United States Secrement for complementary.

Very truly yours,

Fayette J. Flexer Counselor of February

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WGINTERAD ORDER

1. The undersigned hereby assumes the responsibilities of Commanding officer of the US-Guerrilla force in the Island of Luzon and that of Personal Representative of General Douglas McArthur for the conduct of all guerrilla operations and incidental affairs. This is in accordance with verbal instruction from General McArthur Jan 20, 1942.

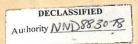
- 2. All Cuerrilla Leaders of the Island shall derive their authority to operate from this Headquarter and shall be daily appointed by the undersigned or his representative having such authority in writing from this Headquarter.
- 3. Any region or persons operating as a Guerrilla in the name of the US army without the authority required in Paragraph 2 supra, will be considered as enemy of the U.S. Government.
- 4. Any person belonging to the Armed forces of the U.S. Government entering into such unlawful operations will be punished as provided under this Article of War of the US Army.
- 5. All persons guilty of looting private property, confiscation of supplies, or otherwise disturbing the Peace of Civilians unlawfully by misrepresenting themselves as a part of the Guerrilla forces of the United States of America.
- 6. All Guerrilla Units bearing proper authority to operate as such are authorized to collect arms and equipments belonging to the United States Government from all persons unlawfully passessing such arms and equipments.
- 7. All Guerrilla Units authorized to operate will be directly responsible through district and area Commanders to this Headquarter.
- 8. Each Area and District Commander receiving this order will be responsible that true copies will be distributed to all Leaders.

FOR GLMLRAL LOUGLAS MCAR'HUR

C. A. THORPE LITUT.COL. USA GULARIDDA REPRESENTATIVE USAFFE

I certify this is a true copy, 28 August 1942

/S/ LOUIS M. BELL /T/ LOUIS M. BILL CAPT. AC



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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Lt Col Wallace M Hanes:

- 1. Basic, letter from Mr. George O'Zana Novou'rou to CG PHILRYCOM, dtd 12 Jan 48, forwarding history and rosters of various elements of the George-Andre Unit.
- 2. Mr. Novou'rou requested recognition of his unit on 20 Nov.47. This request did not comply with the announced closing date of 15 Mar 46 for the acceptance of unit claims for recognition and therefore was not accepted by letter this Hq 11 Dec 47.
- 3. Mr. Novou'rou apparently mailed his letter of 12 January 1948 prior to his receipt of our final letter of 11 Dec 47.
- 4. Mr. Novou rou has recently been furnished a copy of our letter of 11 Dec 47. Our reply refers him to this letter and returns of papers forwarded with the basic communication.

1st Lt George E Kemper

Concur: Capt E R Curtis Chief, Unit Branch

HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINES-RYUKYUS COMMAND OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

GSCPU 091 PI /177

APO 707

9 - FE 1948

Mr. George O'Zana Kovou'rou Georga-Andre Unit Baclaran Rectory Church Baclaran, Faranaque Rizal, Philippines

Dear Mr. Novou ? rout

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated 12 January 1948, forwarding a history of the activities of the George-Andre Unit and opples of the resters of warious elements of that organization.

As you were informed in our letter of 11 December 1947, the request for recognition of this unit could not be accepted as it was made on 20 Newmber 1947 and did not comply with the announced closing date of 15 March 1946 for the acceptance of unit claims. All rosters and supporting papers of this unit were returned to you by our letter of 11 December 1947.

Inasmuch as this request for recognition does not comply with the above established deadline date for the acceptance of unit requests, the history and rosters submitted with your letter of 12 January 1948 are returned herewith.

Sincerely,

1 Incl History & Rosters of elements of the George-Andre Unit

R. E. CANTRELL Capt. AGD Asst Adj Gen

Lt Col Wallace M. Hanes:

Basic, latter from Mr. George O'Zana Movcu'rou to CG HHILAYCON, dated 22 Jan 48, forwarding history and rosters of various elements of the George-Andre Unit.

1st Lt George L. Kemper

Concur: Capt E R Curtis Chief, Units Branch



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Respectfully submit herewith two-copies of the 1st. 2nd,
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This said excess of the 2nd. Regiment already filed in your office dated 20 November 47, be considered as the 3rd. Regiment under the above mention unit;

GEORGE O'ZANA NOVOU'ROU
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Mr. George O'Zana Novou'rou Baclaran, Paranaque Rizal, Philippines

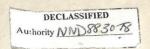
Dear Mr. Novou rou:

This will acknowledge receipt of your two letters, the first, dated 25 September 1947, directed to the President of the United States requesting the President's intervention in behalf of the untimely initial claim for recognition of Faros Brigade, Fil-American Irregular Troops; the second, dated 20 November 1947, to the Commanding General, this head-quarters, requesting recognition of the George-Andre Unit, Fil-American, and forwarding pertinent papers in support of the claim thereof.

It is desired to inform you that this headquarters had been conducting a program of guerrilla recognition for one year prior to the announcement, on 1 February 1946, of the deadline date of 15 March 1946 for the submission of applications for recognition of guerrilla units. Subsequent press and radio releases announcing the final dates for the acceptance by this headquarters of application for individual guerrilla claims, reiterated the deadline date of 15 March 1946 for the acceptance of unit claims. Inasmuch as information regarding this closing date was widely disseminated throughout the Philippines by press, radio, and municipal agencies, it is considered that all concerned had ample opportunity to prepere unit applications for recognition by 15 March 1946.

During this entire period the question of guerrilla recognition was constantly brought before the citizens of the Philippines to such degree that it would appear indeed unusual that records of a unit could not be found and submitted to this headquarters within this extended period. It is desired to point out that this headquarters has never been arbitrary in reaching a decision, the presentation of compelling evidence ever being a deciding factor. Perusal of the records and evidence presented in behalf of the George-Andre Unit, Fil-American, fails to reveal such compelling evidence. It reveals, however, that all records and evidence are of very recent origin and do not satisfy the criteria used as a guide in the recognition of guerrilla units.

In cognizance of the foregoing facts, it is with regret that this Headquarters must inform you that your request for recognition of the George-Andre Unit, Fil-American, cannot be accepted for consideration.



Returned herewith are the papers forwarded in your letter of 20 November 1947.

Sincerely,

1 Incl Papers of Unit

R. E. CANTRELL Captain, AGD Asst Adj Gen

Lt Col Wallace M Hanes:

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Captain Elbert R Curtis

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

LESTER W. PIERCE, JR 1st Lt.,

Chief, Records Section

True copy filed in 110-23

HEADQUARTERS PANAHON NA GUERILIA GEORGE MANURE UNIT FIL*AMERICAN

UNDER COL HUGH STRAUGHN 0-2515 U.S. ARMY

November 20, 1947

SUBJECT: Recognition, request for

: Commanding General Philippines Ryukyus Command Apo 707 (attin) Guerilla Rafairs Sec

- 1. Request that my unit (George-Andre Unit, Fil-American under Col. Hugh Straughn, US Army, 0-2515, composing of the 1st and 2nd Regiments, be given due recognition for services rendered in the Guerilla Forces in the Philippines.
- 2. I hope that the United States Government, particularly the US Army, would extend due consideration and full justice to our men who helped in wiping out the enemies of the cause for which America had fought and will fight for.
- 3. Attached are all pertinent papers in support of my claim for recognition.

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Panahon Na Guerilla George-Andre Unit

Fil-American, 0-2515 US Army Baclaran, Paranaque, Rizal

Incl:

- 1. Chronological history, 1st and 2nd Regiments (2 copies)
- 2. Official rosters, 1st and 2nd Regiments (2 copies)
 3. Ltr to his Excellency, the President of the US, photostatic copy (1 copy)
- 4. Affidavit of Col Magtangol "Terry" Adevoso, photostatic copy
- 5. Affidavit of Col Manuel T. Dikit, photostatic copy (1 copy)
- 6. Affidavit of Col Jaime Ferrer, photostatic copy (1 copy)
- 7. Affidavit of Major Kose Silayan, phitistatic copy (1 copy)
- 8. Ltr of his Excellency, the President of the Philippines, to Brigadier General Natividad B. Matta, photostatic copy (1 copy)
- 9. Agth of Col George O'Zana Novou'rou, Overall Commander, bethe Very Reverend Father Santiago Milaño, Major, Chaplain
- 10. Oath of allegiance of Col Novoutrou, photostatic copy (1 copy)
- 11. Appointment of Capt. Novou*rou to the rank of Lt Col by Gen Matta, photostatic copy (1 copy)
- 12. Picture of a room in GHQ during a course of investigation conducted by Major Silayan.
- 13. 4 pictures of our Regimental Hdqs, Burol, Dasmarinas, Cavite,

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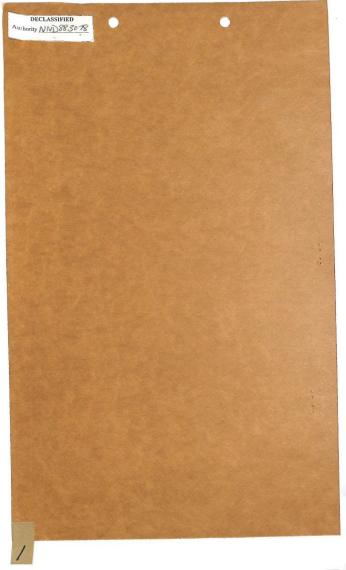
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