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COMPANY "A", BOLO UNIT  
NAME OF UNIT

CAPT. LEON CADIENTE  
UNIT COMMANDING OFFICER

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1. Complaints
  2. Investigating Officer's Notes
  3. Request for recog - 29 Jan '46
  4. NFC ltr - 12 Jun '46

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REMARKS:



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UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

AGO 707

2 JUN 1948

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Mr. Leon Cadiante  
Cauayan, Isabela

Dear Mr. Cadiante, X

The Company "A", Solo Unit, 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 and testimony of witnesses having pertinent knowledge, 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. Activities of the unit did not contribute materially to the eventual defeat of the enemy.
- c. 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.

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  
Asst Adj Gen

1 Incl:  
Executive Order No. 68

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Tel:

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MR

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Lt. Col. H. L. Shaftoe:

1. Co "A", apparently an independent Bolo Unit, under command of Leon Cadiante is unfavorably considered for recognition on the basis of its being a bolo unit. It submitted a roster of 48 members.

2. Basis for non recognition:

- a. The unit was a blade type unit with no weapons or ammunition.
- b. The unit was not maintained satisfactorily in the field.
- c. Activities of unit did not contribute to defeat of the enemy.
- d. Members of the unit did not devote entire efforts to military activities in the field to the exclusion of normal civilian pursuits and family obligations.

ADELBERT T. WEBER  
2d Lt., F. A. O-118658



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.

*R. W. Volckmann*  
R W VOLCKMANN  
Colonel, Inf, AUS

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TO : Date : REFERENCE

H Weber 6/6 See note from Hqs. above - what about it - ASD

BCM 6/8 Col Shaftoe said a liason officer from Volckmann comes here once a week, and hold till he comes-- ATW

Mag D 6/10 I see no point in holding this since, by their own statements, they were quite demoralized - not a fighting unit. Based on the above, we would still turn this down regardless of what Col Volckmann said. Note basic. ASD

M/c 6/10 Dispatch

G-3 PA 6/11 Dispatched M/c

Ruben 6/2 FILE & POST NFC  
CO A Bolo Unit Str - 43  
CO L. Cadiente  
Location Causayan Isabela  
Ltr NFC 3 Jun 1946

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TO	Date	REMARKS	
Investigation	5/29	7.	m/c
Capt B	5/29	Note date of ltr + of 1 <sup>st</sup> Ind. what do you think	DCM
Capt Murray	5/29	Acknowledge and put on agenda - May get to it eventually	AKS
Sgt Parris	5/29	Enter as a new unit. Have same entered by records and return to me. This Bolo unit will be handled immediately.	DCM
Capt Murray	5/31	OK sir	BCP
Records	5/31	Note my remarks to Sgt Parris	DCM
Capt Murray	5/31	Remarks to Sgt Parris have been complied with, Sirs.	
Weber	5/31	<del>How</del> How fast can we handle this one?	Wagner DCM
DCM	5/1	NFC letter for bolo unit	ATM
May D	6/1	1-T-5	OK DCM
Adm	6/3	Approved Typing & return to Capt. Murray-	AKS
W Weber	6/4	1	yc
JCSM	6/5	Typing checks okay -	Cette
Chul	6/5	Dispatch	DCM
m/c	6/5	Dispatch	AKS
		What about Yolek man.	AKS



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6-3 5-24-66  
BASIC: Ltr fr Capt Leon Cadiente, dtd 29 January 46; Subj: request  
recognition of Bolo Unit.

330,32 1st Indorsement  
HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINE ARMY, APO 75, 23 May 1946

CSCTP

TO : CG, AFWPAC, APO 707.

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

*A. A. Martinez*  
ANTONIO A MARTINEZ  
Major, ACS  
Asst Adj Gen 24/6

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TO : COL. ALBERTA, VIA JOL.

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

WILLIAM A. GIBSON  
JAN 20, 1946  
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Cauayan, Isabela  
January 29, 1946

The Adjutant General, HPA,  
M a n i l a

S i r :

Attached herewith is a Roster of Bolo Unit consisting of 47 Enlisted Bolo man under my command which was organized in October 1944, at Barrio Nueva Era, Cauayan, Isabela, by order of Major ANDRES D. DAMIAN, then Executive Officer of the 14th Infantry, USAFIP, NL, (See Certification) Attached.

This bolo unit which is commanded by me had help the guerrillas particularly the 14th Infantry, USAFIP, NL in providing them food supplies in the Mountains and also the American liberators with whom we worked hand in hand when they arrived in Isabela.

Very respectfully,

*Leon Cadiente*

LEON CADIENTE  
Captain, Bolo Unit

COPY FURNISHED:

Major Andres D. Damian  
14th Infantry, USAFIP, NL.  
Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya

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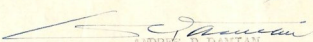
HEADQUARTERS, 14TH INFANTRY  
USAFIP, NORTH LUZON

29 January 1946

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I hereby certify that in October 1944, I gave instruction to LEON CADIENTE, Ex-Cpl of the PC, to organize a Bolo Unit in Barrio Nueva Era, Cauayan, Isabela. Ex-Cpl Cadiente having been designated as Captain was able to enlist 47 men under his command which unit became "A" Company, Bolo Unit.

I further certify that Eugenio Daguio, Aurelio Crisologo & Matias Carreon, Ex-Cpl, PC, were also designated as Junior Officers of the same unit. The organization of this unit was then initiated by me for the protection of the people in case the Japs will go to this barrio and commit atrocities among the civilian population. The said organization was terminated upon the liberation of Isabela by the American and Filipino Guerrilla Troops.

  
ANDRES D DAMIAN  
Major, Inf., PA  
Commanding Officer

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USAFIP, NORTH LUZON

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t/ ANDRES D. DAMIAN  
Major, Inf., PA  
Commanding Officer

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ROSTER OF BULO UNIT  
 Company PAW (Bulo Unit)  
 (Organization)

Nueva Era, Cauayan, Tschala  
 (Station)

At midnight 31 October 1944

The following roster consisting of One page contains the names of the organization commander and enlisted men of this organization of Detachment and those attached thereto, and the names of all enlisted men who have been transferred, discharged or otherwise separated therefrom since the last monthly roster.

Unless otherwise indicated opposite his name each enlisted man whose name appears on this roster is present at the station indicated above.

*Leon Cadiante*

LEON CADIANTE

(Signature) (Name typewritten)

Captain, Infantry, PA  
 (Rank and organization)

Captain

1. Cadiante, Leon- Bulo Comander

Sergeants

1. Acosta, Faustino  
 2. Acosta, Daniel  
 3. Bulan, Antonio  
 4. Sergio, San Jose

Corporals

1. Ballesteros, Felix  
 2. Acosta, Saturnino  
 3. Velasquez, Leopoldo  
 4. Baltazar, Fernando  
 5. Ramil, Eugenio

Privates 1st Class

1. Galingana, Santos  
 2. Manog, Emilio  
 3. ...  
 4. ...

Privates

1. Acosta, ...  
 2. Acosta, ...  
 3. Aliangon, Genato  
 4. Allen, Domingo  
 5. Allen, Jose

Privates (Con'td)

- 1 6. Angolosa, Juan  
 1 7. Bocatan, Marcos  
 1 8. Cadiante, Gregorio  
 1 9. Corpus, Hermogenes  
 110. Corpus, Lorenzo  
 111. Cubangbang, Sotero  
 112. Dagulo, Elpidio  
 113. Domingo, Felix  
 114. Pareia, Faustino  
 115. Galiza, Manuel  
 116. Galingana, David  
 117. Galingana, Francisco  
 118. Garang, Pedro  
 119. Lunaylay, Dominador  
 120. Lunaylay, Pascual  
 21. Magday, Mariano  
 122. Mauricio, Leon  
 123. Mauricio, Libarato  
 124. Mendoza, Estalito  
 125. Ramos, Tomas  
 126. Sumoang, Ildifonso  
 127. Tagallada, Castor  
 128. Talusig, Teodoro  
 129. Ulip, Victoriano  
 130. Visaya, Telesforo  
 131. Sagadract, Gregorio  
 132. Sagadract, Tomas  
 133. Romeo, Marcelo  
 134. Galingana, Vicente

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