

PHILIPPINE PROJECT

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NOVEMBER 18, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (MAJOR PHILLIPS)  
NR 1 NOVEMBER 17

PARTY AND CARGO LANDED PALUAN THIRTEENTH. GUERILLAS IN COMPLETE CONTROL, NO JAPS. TYPHOON, TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES PREVENTED EARLIER CONTACT. GENERAL SITUATION APPEARS GOOD. COLONEL PERALTA AND GROUP SHOULD BE COMPLIMENTED ON EXCELLENT WORK HERE. TWO WATCHER STATIONS BEING SET UP, ONE NEAR CALAVITE LIGHT, OTHER OVERLOOKING CAPE SANTIAGO. COURIER SERVICE BEING ARRANGED MANILA.

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NOVEMBER 24, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PHILLIPS  
NR : NO NUMBER, NOVEMBER 23, 1943

COL PERALTA AND GROUP SHOULD BE COMPLIMENTED ON EXCELLENT  
WORK HERE . TWO WATCHER STATIONS BEING SET UP, ONE NEAR  
CALAVITE LIGHT OTHER OVERLOOKING CAPE SANTIAGO COURIER  
SERVICE BEING ARRANGED MANILA

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NOVEMBER 25, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PHILLIPS  
NR 5 NOVEMBER 25

INCREASED ACTIVITY AGAINST GUERILLAS IN GENERAL. EXPECT  
MEET WITH MAJORS JURADO, RUFFY AND VALENCIA TO TALK ABOUT  
GUERILLAS DIFFICULTIES. WILL THEN ADVISE RECOGNITION STATUS.  
MORALE PEOPLE GOOD. MEDICINE NEEDED BADLY. MORE LATER.

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8 PHILLIPS

In re development of guerilla organization in MINDORO.

I have before you for consideration a recommendation designed to impress upon PHILLIPS the need to avoid building up the guerilla movement in MINDORO -- another one to withdraw PERALTA's position and influence in the Province.

PHILLIPS' position is of value to us only for intelligence purposes. It will be untenable if by any act we invite heavy enemy patrol activity or reinforcements in that area. I cannot too strongly recommend that the present quiescent state of guerilla activity be permitted to continue undisturbed -- that we may continue with a free hand to use the Province and Island as a stepping stone to Central LUZON intelligence. I view this matter of great importance.

Action taken

None.

Action recommended:

See comment.

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DECEMBER 4, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PHILLIPS (I S R M)  
NR : 8 DECEMBER 3

NO CONTACT KAZ, SUGGST SKED FOR TWENTY ONE HUNDRED HOUR. WISH  
FREQUENCY TIME. NEW STATION DARWIN SENDS NEWS. WAS AUTHORIZATION  
GIVEN BY GHQ. PERALTA COLLECTS FUNDS FROM CIVILIANS TO SUPPORT  
GUERILLAS. GUERILLAS MOSTLY CIVILIANS NOT WELL ORGANIZED AS  
YET. BELIEVE ADVISABLE ALL CASH, ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS BE  
HANDLED THIS HEADQUARTERS. AFTER MANILA CONTACT MADE, EXPECT  
ACT ON GUERILLA STATUS AND LEADERSHIP.

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DECEMBER 8, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ISRM (MAJOR PHILLIPS)  
NO NUMBER DEC. 7, 1943

ADVISEABLE INFORM PERALTA MY STATUS ALSO INSTRUCT HIM  
GIVE FULL COOPERATION REGARD ANY PERSONNEL EQUIPMENT  
OR INFO HERE. ADVISE IF YOU RECEIVED MY LETTER WITH  
LIST OF SUPPLIES MANY ITEMS NEEDED ARE DUPLICATES.  
LETTER SUBDIVISIONS AND NUMBER EACH ITEM CAN THEN RE-  
FER TO ITEMS BY NUMBER. ELEVATION CAMP ABOUT TWENTY-  
FIVE HUNDRED BAD WEATHER NIGHTS COLD

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SIGNAL CORPS MESSAGE

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA  
A.P.C. 500  
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13 December 1943  
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FROM : MACARTHUR  
NR : 6

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VIEW OF FAVORABLE SITUATION NOW EXISTING IN YOUR AREA PAREN  
 YOUR NUMBER FIVE PAREN YOU SHOULD CAREFULLY REFRAIN FROM ANY MOVE WHICH  
 MIGHT BE CONSTRUED BY LOCAL LEADERS AS ENCOURAGEMENT FOR MORE AGGRESSIVE  
 GUERILLA ACTION WITH A CONSEQUENT BID TO HEAVY ENEMY REINFORCEMENT  
 AND INCREASED DANGER OF DETECTION OF YOUR POSITION AND ACTIVITY PD  
 YOUR MISSION IS ONE OF SECRET INTELLIGENCE AND WHILE IT IS DESIRED THAT  
 YOU EXTEND FRIENDLY COOPERATION TO LOCAL GUERILLAS AND LOYAL RESIDENTS  
 YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THEIR AFFAIRS TO ANY GREATER EXTENT WOULD TEND  
 TO COMPROMISE THE SUCCESS OF THAT MISSION AND SHOULD BE CAREFULLY AVOIDED  
 PARA ELIMINATE KEY SEVEN THREE RPT SEVEN THREE FROM YOUR  
 LIST

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PHILLIPS

In re reported enemy occupation of TABLAS and ROMBLON -- increased enemy air activity.

PHILLIPS is in direct communication with PERALTA. Message indicates that he is suspicious of query purporting to have been sent by PERALTA in re location of radio units. Glad to see that he is cagey in such matters.

No confirmation from elsewhere of the occupation of ROMBLON Province. Report of loss of radio station is bad -- may suggest such further compromise of PERALTA's position.

Note increase in enemy bombers observed flying south.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

None.

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DECEMBER 17, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ISRM(PHILLIPS)  
NR : 19 DECEMBER 16

MSG PERALTA STATES GHQ WITH IS INFO STATIONS XA SEVEN SH FIVE,  
PERSONNEL LOCATIONS MSG SUSPICIOUS. STATION XA SEVEN HERE USES  
OUR EQUIPMENT THEIRS NOT FUNCTION. INFO HERE NIPS CAPTURED  
STATION SH FIVE TABLAS PERSONNEL ALSO OCCUPIED POMBLON AND  
SIBUYAN. INCREASE PLANE OBSERVED SEVENTEEN YESTERDAY SOUTH  
FIVE THIS A.M. MOSTLY TWO ENGINE BOMBERS.

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PHILLIPS

In re guerilla situation in MINDORO.

The instructions of the C-in-C of 13 December 43 were clear. I think that the situation indicates no further action at this time.

**Action taken:**

G-2 advised.

**Action recommended:**

None.

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DECEMBER 17, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ISRM(PHILLIPS)  
NR : 29 DECEMBER 16

INDUCT NOW IN MONDORO NINE HUNDRED HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY PAY  
ADVANCES, MAKING UNREASONABLE DEMANDS CIVILIANS AND LOCAL  
AUTHORITIES. WITHOUT INFO WHAT SWPA HAS AUTHORIZED REGARD  
STATUS MEN INDUCTED, SYSTEM OF FINANCE, DATE ORDERS ISSUED NOT  
INDUCT MORE MEN. STATUS SURRENDERED SOLDIERS, DIFFICULT CORRECT  
PRESENT SET-UP.

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21 PHILLIPS

In re guerilla situation in MINDORO.

Commander PARSONS specifically cautioned PHILLIPS against any agitation of guerilla action. The C-in-C's instructions are clear. I think no further action at this time is indicated.

PHILLIPS is just feeling his oats a little now, but just as soon as he gets his proper stride he'll turn in a job to your complete satisfaction.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

None.

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DECEMBER 17, 1945

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : ISRM(PHILLIPS)  
NR : 21 DECEMBER 16

PARSONS STATED I HAD FULL AUTHORITY MINDORO ALL ACTIVITIES.  
DO NOT WANT RUN GUERILLAS BUT DO WISH WORK AS ADVISOR TO  
RESPONSIBLE LEADER WITH FULL AUTHORITY IF NECESSARY AND  
CONTROL CASH. AVAILABLE PERSONNEL OUR NEEDS, MOSTLY GUERILLA.  
OUR GENERAL POSITION KNOWN ISRM WRAPPERS THRU OUT MINDORO.  
WILL MOVE HQ FURTHER SOUTH SOON BE NEARER TRANSPORTATION  
MANILA.

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PHILLIPS

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In re further information on four engined bomber - - development of net.

Further report on four engined bomber sighted obtained at request of G-2.

Go between referred to is a Captain P.A. active duty employed in Government Licensing Bureau where contact is easy.

General situation appears to be developing satisfactorily.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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DECEMBER 19, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR : 24 DECEMBER 18

PLANE REPORTED FOUR ENGINE BOMBER TOO HIGH FOR DETAILS NO  
PONTOONS OBSERVED, NO INFO MANILA FOUR ENGINE PLANES. PLENTY  
INFO ON HAND, CARRIER SERVICE ARRANGED. EXCELLENT POSSIBILITIES  
CAPE SANTIAGO, SENT AGENTS TO ESTIMATE BONTOC ALSO BELIEVED  
FAIRLY SAFE. TELL WARES GO BETWEEN CAME AS COURIER. WITH  
CONTACTS MADE FUTURE POSSIBILITIES UNLIMITED JUST GIVE US  
WHAT WE ASK.

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None PHILLIPS

In re enemy air fields in LUZON

Information is developing. Tentatively plan sub stop at MINDORO early February. Sketches and all other documentary material will be brought out then, together with any other sketches G-2 may desire and are obtainable.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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29 DECEMBER 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR : NOT SHOWN DECEMBER 19

INFO NIP AIR FIELDS. CLARK NIELSON NICHOLS, ZABLAN,  
VIGAM, BAGUIO, ROSALES AND TUGUEG ARE ACTIVE. SKETCHES ON  
HAND NIELSON, NICHOLS AND LIPA. NEW FIELDS BEING CONSTRUCTED  
OR IMPROVED AT ROSSARIO, LUCENA, NAGA, LEGASPI, LAOAG, MARIVELES,  
TARLAC, LIPA AND PUERTA PRINCESA. APARRI FIFTEEN NAVY PLANES  
THREE LONG RANGE OBSERVED OCT THIRTEEN.

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SIGNAL CORPS MESSAGE  
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 FROM : MACARTHUR  
 NR : 9



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THROUGH MANILA AGENTS AS POSSIBLE SECURE COMPLETE FILES OF FOLLOWING PUBLICATIONS AS ISSUED AND BACK ISSUES WHERE SO INDICATED CMA FIRST ACCUMULATION TO BE AFFECTED BY FIRST FEBRUARY COLON MANILA TRIBUNE SINCE TWENTY SIXTH SEPTEMBER FORTY THREE CMA VANGUARDIA CMA VISAYAN SHIMBUN CMA PANAY SHU HO CMA NEW NEGROS WEEKLY CMA OTHER PHILIPPINE NEWSPAPERS AND NEWSPAPERS AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED IN JAPAN IN JAPANESE OR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ESPECIALLY PAST AND CURRENT ISSUES OF JAPANESE OFFICIAL GAZETTE PD OFFICIAL GAZETTE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT SINCE MAY FOUR THREE BEGINNING VOLUME TWO NUMBER SIX CMA OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF JAPANESE MILITARY ADMINISTRATION SINCE APRIL ONE NINE FOUR THREE BEGINNING WITH VOLUME TWELVE PAREN MAY HAVE SUCCESSOR UNDER ANOTHER NAME SINCE TERMINATION OF MILITARY ADMINISTRATION PAREN CMA CITY GAZETTE MANILA SINCE

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 FROM : MACARTHUR  
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BEGINNING VOLUME ONE NUMBER ONE CMA PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS SUCH AS ANNUAL OR SPECIAL REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS CMA BUREAUS AND OTHER AGENCIES CMA PUBLICATIONS OF PHILIPPINE LEGISLATURE ESPECIALLY DIRECTORIES OF MEMBERS CMA PUBLICATIONS OF KALIBAPI CMA PHILIPPINE REVIEW VOLUME ONE NUMBERS ONE AND THREE PAREN MARCH AND MAY FOUR THREE PAREN AND ALL ISSUES SINCE NUMBER EIGHT OCTOBER ONE NINE FOUR THREE CMA PHILIPPINE TRADE AND PROFESSIONAL JOURNALS CMA SHIN SEIKI DASH BAGONG ARAW DASH NEW ERA PAREN AN ILLUSTRATED WEEKLY PAREN CMA NIPPON DASH PHILIPPINES PAREN ALL ISSUES PAREN CMA LIWANAG PAREN MONTHLY PUBLISHED BY FEDERATION OF EVANGELICAL CHURCHES IN THE PHILIPPINES PAREN CMA JAPANESE OR PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT POSTERS CMA PROCLAMATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS PD JAPANESE PROPAGANDA PUBLICATIONS PD COUNTER PROPAGANDA INCLUDING UNDERGROUND NEWSPAPERS CMA PAMPHLETS :

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21 DECEMBER 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR : 29

EXPECT HAVE METHOD DELIVER SUPPLIES POW. PARSONS KNOWS  
WHAT SEND. LIST OUR SUPPLIES AND CIVILIAN. TABLETS THOUSAND,  
ATABRINE ONE HUNDRED, QUININE TWENTY, ASPIRIN FIVE, ACETOPHENETIDIN  
TWO, SULFANILAMIDE, DIAZINE, THIOZOLE, GUANADINE, FIVE EACH.  
SULFANILAMIDE POWDER FIVE LBS, SULFADIAZINE OINTMENT FIVE LBS,  
ZINC OXIDE TUBES TWENTY FOUR, MERCURIC OXIDE SAME.

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note that tablets are listed in  
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*S.P.S.*

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30 PHILLIPS

In re enemy dispositions in TAKAO, FORMOSA -- sketches of enemy installations.

Information should be of great interest to the Navy. Suggests the opening to secure much more detailed information on TAKAO through infiltration of agents into Harbor. It is encouraging to note that PHILLIPS is moving ahead to secure sketches of vital areas and installations.

We can pick up such sketches and other documentary material periodically. If not by NARWHAL, then by passing operational subs. Navy will fully cooperate.

I think the rough edges on this project are wearing off and PHILLIPS is getting into his stride.

Action taken:

G-2 and Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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22 DECEMBER 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : ISRM (PHILLIPS)

NR 30 21 DECEMBER



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OBSERVATION SHIP OFFICER IN TAKAO, NOT ALLOWED TO  
LAND THERE SEVENTEEN DAYS. FIFTY SHIPS IN HARBOR.  
UNLOADING ALUMINUM SHEETS X THIRTEEN LARGE TANKS.  
APPARENTLY NO MINES SHIPS WENT IN UNESCORTED X FEW  
PLANES USUALLY THREE OR FOUR PER DAY, MOST SPER NINE  
PURSUITS, THREE SEARCHLIGHTS OBSERVED AT NIGHT, BLACKOUT  
TWICE WEEKLY. MOSTLY WOMEN WORKERS OBSERVED FACTORY.  
CONVOYS LESS THAN FOUR USUALLY NOT ESCORTED, OVER FOUR  
ESCORTED BY DESTROYER TAKAO MANILA. SKETCHES ON HAND  
TAKAO AND ALSO CAVITE NAVAL YARD

(UNDERLINED LETTERS RECEIVED GARBLED)

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26 DECEMBER 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PHILLIPS I S R M

NR 39 25 DECEMBER

ON AIR TOO LONG GET MESSAGES THRU D J E. BELIEVE  
K A Z MORE POWERFULL BETTER CONTACT PROVIDING SCHEDULE,  
TIMES OF CONTACT, WE SUGGEST. MERRY XMAS TO ALL.



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*Sincerely  
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45 PHILLIPS

In re PHILLIPS' administrative problems.

Message is in reply to one from here reading as follows:

"REASONS DESIRED JUSTIFYING PROMOTIONS RECOMMENDED IN YOUR FORTY IN VIEW OF GRADES JUMPED AND DISPLACEMENT OF RELATIVE RANK WITHIN DETACHMENT PARA EXERCISE EXTREME CARE TO HOLD SUPPLY REQUISITIONS TO VERY MINIMUM CONSISTENT WITH SUCCESS OF YOUR MISSION CMA BEING EVER MINDFUL OF RESTRICTION ON AVAILABLE TRANSPORT AND THE FACT THAT EVERY POUND FOR YOUR AREA MUST DISPLACE MUNITIONS AND MEDICINES BADLY NEEDED BY FORCES SOUTH."

Supply requisitions were building up to the point that a word of caution was indicated.

Correction in his message gives clarity to his previous promotion recommendation.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

None.



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31 DECEMBER 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 45 30 DECEMBER

ALBERTO, OUTSTANDING. HAS CHARGE MAINTENANCE RADIO  
EQUIPMENT, HIS ABILITY WELL KNOWN THERE. VITTORIO -  
MSG SHOULD READ TECHNICAL FOUR. UP ONE GRADE. REGARD  
REQUISITIONS, UNDER LIMITS SUGGESTED BY PARSONS.  
DIFFICULT REALIZE THERE HOW MUCH GOOD CAN BE DONE WITH  
SO LITTLE HERE. EXPECT HAVE GROUP AMERICANS HERE SOON.



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27 DECEMBER 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 40 26 DECEMBER

AGENT REPORTS NIP HOSPITAL SHIPS DISCHARGE PATIENTS  
MANILA, LOAD CARGO RICE SUGAR OTHER SUPPLIES RETURN TRIP.  
RECOMMEND PROMOTION ALBERTO TO MASTER, VITTORIO TO TECH.

IN FUTURE WILL REFER MANILA AS ACE

LUZON AS PETER

CAPE SANTIAGO AS BILL

VERDE PASSAGE AS ROSE

CALAVITE PASSAGE AS ANDY

BALUAN AS JOAN

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**Violation of Cryptographic Security.**

Deputy Controller, A.I.B.

Chief, P.R.S.

1 January, 1944.

1. Attached is a copy of an emergency message from our Dutch net which, although it was not called in the instance mentioned, apparently was monitoring and heard this signal in the clear directed to KAZ.

2. If the Dutch are monitoring with this much success, we can be sure the Japs are.

3. I feel that with these continued violations, it is incumbent upon us to jerk the I.S.R.M. party to its feet for the protection of all concerned, and therefore suggest dispatch of the following message:

*sent*  
*1 Jan*  
YOUR STATION VIOLATING CARDINAL PRINCIPLE CRYPTOGRAPHIC SECURITY BY  
SIGNALLING IN PLAIN AND MENTIONING FREQUENCIES NOT ONLY JEOPARDIZING YOUR PARTY  
BUT ALL OTHERS AND THREATENS INTEGRITY CIPHERS PD TO ISRM FROM COLONEL IND PD  
IMPERATIVE YOU EXERCISE ABSOLUTE CONTROL THIS MATTER

A. W. I.

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Copy message from Cdr. ter Poorten, 31 Dec 43.

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TO : PHILLIPS  
 FROM : MACARTHUR  
 NR : **38**

SERVICE MESSAGE NUMBER FOUR DATED FIVE FEBRUARY REGARDING SERIOUS  
 CRYPTOGRAPHIC ERROR DESIRE PAREN MACARTHUR TO PHILLIPS PAREN YOUR PERSONAL  
 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT

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47 PHILLIPS

In re enemy dispositions in MINDORO.

See map attached for positions indicated. Enemy moves reported may be of no significance insofar as PHILLIPS' position is concerned. On the other hand, they may be of deep significance. The effect of such moves is to surround his position at relatively close quarters. I believe a word of caution to him is indicated, lest in his enthusiasm for the job he overlooks serious enemy threat to his position.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

Dispatch to PHILLIPS of following message:

"IN FACE OF ENEMY MOVES SUCH AS REPORTED IN YOUR FORTY SEVEN ALWAYS CONSIDER POSSIBILITY THAT HIS PURPOSE MAY BE TO DETERMINE EXACT LOCATION YOUR STATION BY TRIANGULATION X PAREN MACARTHUR TO PHILLIPS PAREN IN THREATENING CIRCUMSTANCES DO NOT HESITATE TO MAINTAIN RADIO SILENCE OVER PROTRACTED PERIODS BROKEN ONLY TO REPORT INFORMATION OF VITAL AND IMMEDIATE MILITARY IMPORTANCE"

sent  
6 Jan.

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1 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR : 47 DECEMBER 31

NIPS LANDED LUBANG ISLAND, SET UP RADIO STATION. ANOTHER  
FIFTY LANDED MAMBURAO TODAY. MSG RECEIVED TONIGHT, WILL BE  
GREATLY APPRECIATED BY ALL. WILL BE DISTRIBUTED WIDELY. HAPPY  
NEW YEARS.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

CHECK SHEET

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File No.:

Subject:

From: G-2

To: Chief, P.R.S.

Date: 4 Jan. 1944

1. Returned herewith is Phillip's message No. 22 together with your comments on intelligence instructions to PI penetration parties. For your information I am attaching a copy of G-2 check sheet to the Chief of Staff on the same subject.

2. Note the CinC's decision, also attached.

*Willson*  
C. A. W.

3 Incls:

Incl.1-Phillip's Msg No. 22 w/PRS comments.

Incl.2-G-2 chk sht to C/S 22 Dec. 43, subj: Phil Intel Net.

Incl.3-Chk/sht fr DC/S to G-2, 28 Dec 43 giving CinC's decision on above.

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PHILIPPINE REGIONAL SECTION

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Date: 18 Dec 43

Message Reference Sheet

No. 994

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2

Message No. 22 from PHILLIPS

Precis: In re development of the Manila net.

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Comment: This message gives an idea of the working of the Manila net. At the same time, reflexion on that situation favorably as it appears to be developing, serves to bring out one of our three great weaknesses in the Philippine picture.

Here we are rapidly constructing an intelligence net within the city of Manila, with a regular courier contact, -- a net capable of securing for us a wealth of information on the enemy, and yet we have developed no definitive instructions on information or intelligence material desired or the priorities which should govern in its acquisition.

We should realize that the agents who comprise such a net are not trained in either military or naval matters. The instructions to them should therefore be clear and specific. I am having such instructions worked up by Dr. HAYDEN in this Section covering civil affairs and I think that G-2 should provide a comprehensive section on military and naval affairs, lest we suddenly find that we have built up a splendid intelligence net that is of little or no practical use to us merely because the agents employed therein lack the faculty to perceive just what information this headquarters desires.

Manila is a center in which much information, not only on enemy moves in SWPA, but on JAPAN itself is available to us. Newspapers, magazines, official and unofficial documents published in TOKIO should be available in quantity and of infinitely more value from an intelligence standpoint than similar Philippine documents. Yet our agents procure for us the latter only merely because they have not been instructed otherwise.

I see this weakness and will strive to correct it insofar as it is within my power to do so, but PRS must know clearly and specifically what military and naval information, documents, etc, G-2 desires and the relative importance thereof, in order that if bribery appears to be the solution there will be some basis on which to make an offer.

This situation can be strengthened. If we fail to do so, we will muff one of the greatest set ups for espionage in military history. Yet we will most certainly muff it unless we get down to painstakingly clear instructions to guide our agents who are in position to deliver us the goods.

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Action taken:

See comment.

Action recommended:

See comment.

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DECEMBER 18, 1943

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR : 22 DECEMBER 17

COURIER CONTACT MANILA NET WILL BE HERE THREE DAYS HAVE YOU  
ANY MESSAGE. REPORT STARTING FOURTH TO ELEVENTH, FIFTEEN  
TRANSPORTS DAILY ARRIVE MANILA FROM NORTH FIVE TO EIGHT  
THOUSAND TONS. BILL ASSEMBLY ESTABLISH CENTRAL BANK PLAN  
NEW CURRENCY TAKE PLACE JAP NOTES. SINCE NIP INDEPENDENCE  
NO MAJOR CHANGE DISPOSAL TROOPS LUZON.

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PHILIPPINE INTELLIGENCE NET

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Adv. Ech.

C. of S.

22 Dec 1943

1. Col. Whitney's statement (Incl. 1) that G-2 has not defined the type of information desired from the PI is not borne out by the facts.

2. G-2 has furnished all parties which it sent to the PI with written directives and an outline of information desired. This outline contained a detailed list of naval information and an outline of the ground and air information needed. G-2 has also briefed party leaders sent by the section. The briefing was simple, covering reporting of enemy land, sea and air movements, activities and dispositions. The last party so dispatched was Capt. Hammer's party in May 1943. A copy of the directive taken by him is attached (Incl. 2).

3. From time to time G-2 has also prepared messages and memos for guidance of the guerrillas in the collection of information:

a. Captured Documents: Note G-2 messages emphasizing the importance of these items to the guerrillas (Incl. 3) and personal notes to Col. Fertig on this subject, recommending bribery where necessary to obtain important documents (Incl. 4). It has been intended to send a similar memo to Col. Peralta but no shipments have been made to him since August.

b. Enemy Identifications: Note G-2 messages to guerrillas for guidance in the collection of this type of information (Incl. 5). An informal memorandum was prepared as a supplement to these messages and copies have been sent to Fertig, Villamor and Peralta (Incl. 6).

c. Shipping: Note sample G-2 messages to guerrillas for their guidance (Incl. 7). Parties and district commanders have also been equipped with ships identification charts (Incl. 8). Note also itemized list prepared by navy already delivered to guerrilla commanders through G-2 penetration parties (Incl. 2).

d. Miscellaneous: Copies of WD Intelligence Field Manuals and WD Handbook on Japanese Military Forces have also been furnished the district commanders.

4. This section has also prepared a questionnaire (Incl. 9) for use in collecting information from evacuees. This has been available for use with intelligence parties since the beginning of November.

5. As a result of the above instructions and directives furnished by G-2 a great deal of valuable intelligence has been received and made available to GHQ through the medium of G-2 Monthly Summary on PI. It is true that definite enemy identifications have been difficult to obtain, but this is not because

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PHILIPPINE INTELLIGENCE NET - Cont'd

of any lack of instruction on the part of G-2.

6. Col. Whitney raises an incidental but important point previously emphasized by Maj. Villamor and many of the recent evacuees, i.e. the guerrilla net does not possess personnel trained in intelligence work. The approach of "D" day, the improvement in communications, and the possibility of a speed up in operations lend weight to the consideration of development of stronger intelligence facilities than have been possible under existing directives.

7. To this end I recommend that G-2, in cooperation with G-3, Air and Navy, exercise more direct supervision over the Villamor, Parsons and the guerrilla intelligence nets, and that consideration be given to the eventual introduction of trained intelligence personnel to Mindanao.

C.A.W.

9 Incls:

- Incl.1-Phillips Msg 22 w/PRS comments.
- Incl.2-Directive and Intelligence instr for Capt.Hammer's party, May/43.
- Incl.3-Msgs to guerrillas re captured documents.
- Incl.4-Ltrs to Col Fertig re same.
- Incl.5-Msgs to guerrillas re enemy identifications.
- Incl.6-Informal memo re same.
- Incl.7-Msgs to guerrillas re shipping info desired.
- Incl.8-Ships identifications Chart.
- Incl.9-Questionnaire for use with PI evacuees.



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The CinC has noted these papers. He does not desire any change in current procedure at this time. It is believed that your proposal to initiate additional directives covering the details of intelligence data that should be collected in the Philippines will be adequate direction.

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In re general information -- PHILLIPS.

Attached messages although received through regular channels are intended for Commander PARSONS whose pariente and pals are in reference. Messages were unsolicited. They discuss PHILLIPS' plans for Luzon infiltration and the MINDORO guerilla situation. Call for no action.

PRS endeavors to keep the interchange of signal communication within the framework of military form. But PRS, being composed of guerillas, engineers, lawyers, professors, stevedores and farmers, sometimes finds it difficult to hold the tiller directly on that course.

On the other hand, the vision of all who comprise PRS is rivetted on the identical purpose and objective -- and that purpose and objective will be achieved, however rough hewn and unorthodox the road appears in the light of established procedure and form.

Action taken:

PRS will get back on the course and attempt to hold it.

Action recommended:

None.



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03 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 3,4 03 JANUARY

USE MANY ANSTOJVE. EXPECT HAVE COURIER SERVICE  
BATANGAS. YOU WERE RIGHT REGARD RACKETEERS. OTHER  
BARIOS SAME. GUERILLAS HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY PAY  
ADVANCES. HAVE PEOPLE SCARED. MAKING UNREASONABLE  
DEMANDS CIVILIANS. EASILY CORRECTED. ALL NEEDS  
AUTHORITY MAKE SMALL ADVANCES TO PRESENT PERSONNEL.

PLEASE READ MSG REGARD GUERILLA AND CLARIFY SET  
UP FOR COLONEL. WILL NOT ENDANGER MISSION BUT WILL  
ASSIST US GREATLY. THIS IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN IT  
SEEMS. NEED ANSWERS TO QUERIES IN MSGS. COURIERS  
ON WAY FROM YOUR PAL IN SOUTH. (LAST OF FOUR MSG)  
HOPE SEE YOU SOON.

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03 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PHILLIPS

NR 1,2 JANUARY 2

YOUR PARIENTEWELL NEEDS NO CASH, ENRICO WANTS INFO  
WIFE. AUL BEING WATCHED. HAVE PAL CLOSE CONTACT  
GROUP SITE DISCUSSED. THEY HAVE DEAL WITH PC NEAREST  
POST FORTY K. GAVE COURIER INFO SO COULD CHECK. PLAN  
SUGGEST HAVE BUTILS THERE, PICKUP AND CARGO UNLOADED LESS  
ONE HOUR. P O W SUPPLIES STORED THERE AND BALANCE CARGO  
TAKEN NEW CAMP BY BUTILS MANNED MEN ATTACHED HERE. WILL  
GO OVER MAKE ARRANGEMENTS, AS IF FOR AMERICANS WHO ARE  
BEING EXPECTED. WILL HAVE RADIO NEAR LIGHT SOON.  
WILL HANDLE ONLY REGULAR TRAFFIC AND CODED MSG YOUR PALS.  
NEW CAMP READY NOW.

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6 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PHILLIPS

NR 58 5 JANUARY

BELIEVE CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN FOLLOWING STATEMENT OF POLICY ISSUED FROM SWPA STATING THEIR WISHES: STATUS PRESENT GUERRILLA IN RECOGNIZED AND NON-RECOGNIZED AREAS, WHAT THEY CAN EXPECT, HOW THEY CAN BE RECOGNIZED; ORGANIZATION RECOMMENDED, PAY STATUS AND PAY ALLOWANCES, HOW PAID AND BY WHOM. PRESENT FUNCTIONS, DUTIES TOWARD CIVILIANS AND CIVILIAN OFFICIALS. LIMITATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS OF COORDINATING INTELLIGENCE SO THAT ONE GROUP IS NOT CONFLICTING WITH THAT IN ANOTHER AREA. SAME FOR OBTAINING FOOD SUPPLIES. BELIEVE AN AMERICAN ARMY OFFICER SHOULD CHECK ORGANIZATION AND SUPERVISE CASH. PARIENTE SITUATION OBVIOUS IN PRESENT SETUPS. STATUS SURRENDERED AND NON-SURRENDERED USAFFE REGARD GUERRILLA ACTIVITY. CORRECTION NR 56: SEVENTEEN PLANES SOUTHWEST.

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In re PHILLIPS and the guerillas.

This message calls for no immediate action but it does call for reflection.

PHILLIPS is a man of tireless energy, with intense loyalty and patriotism, courageous and resourceful, but events are disclosing that he is not particularly intelligence minded. He is a man of action with a dominating personality apparently obsessed with the desire to implant his leadership on guerilla forces and guerilla action. That he is so composed is not to his discredit but may reflect that he is placed in the wrong spot.

MANILA is the very heart of our opportunity to gain information on the enemy, not alone with respect to his plans and moves in defense of the Philippines, nor even in the prosecution of the war in SWPA, but even more important is the opportunity therein afforded to gain information on Japan itself and the overall strength and strategy designed to defend the empire. An alert intelligence set-up in MANILA proper has countless opportunities to send carefully instructed agents to Japan among the numerous Philippine missions (educational, economic and political) right now being dispatched.

Control over that situation with its immense undeveloped potentialities may only come from the position PHILLIPS occupies. It affords us not only the means of getting agents and couriers into MANILA at will, but the immediate transmission of information back to this headquarters. Such position must be preserved.

Comdr. PARSONS was born to intelligence activity. In civil life his hobby was the development of commercial codes for which I



understand he received large fees. While still in MANILA, following its evacuation by our forces, he painstakingly developed an intelligence net that now forms the very basis for our MANILA intelligence activity. He looks upon the direction of that activity as his ultimate goal for war service - - was extremely anxious for the opportunity that fell to PHILLIPS. He possesses all of the fine qualities of PHILLIPS in super-abundance with the added and most important faculties of understanding both the development of intelligence sources and evaluation of intelligence material.

I believe that it may prove advisable (not yet but later perhaps) to consider sending Comdr. PARSONS in to replace PHILLIPS in the development of MANILA Intelligence. If we are unable to bring the opposing factions in NEGROS together in mutual understanding and accord, to send PHILLIPS in as Commander, 7th M.D., to unify the district and direct the guerilla activity. The answer there may well lie in American leadership for which PHILLIPS' personality would beyond question suitably lend itself. On the other hand it may prove more advisable to place PHILLIPS elsewhere.

I make no specific recommendation now. These thoughts occur to me only as a means for future consideration of strengthening our hand where it may need strengthening. The procedure indicated may prove the answer.

**Action taken:**

None.

**Action recommended:**

None at present.

*G-2 Comment:*

**C.N.**  
1. Questions raised by Phillips have been pressed by all guerrilla leaders and emphasized by most of the evacuees. No action has been taken although the problems have been pressed for more than six months by the guerrillas.

2. The problems are largely matters of Filipino army policy and beyond the scope of this Hq. No action can be taken now but when the Philippine government committee is set up in this area the solution of this problem should be given some priority insofar as solution of some of these problems bears on the loyalty of Filipinos to the US and the CinC.

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PHILIPPS



In re MINDORO guerilla movement.

Guerillas in this area are for the most part civilians inducted for such service. The movement has been more in the nature of a racket upon the civil population rather than for its protection. Formalization of such movement would serve no other purpose at this time than to invite enemy reinforcement and provoke enemy reprisals, from which the people have thus far been spared for lack of enemy interest and little or no guerilla activity.

The matter of the PERALTA intelligence net is the subject of comment and recommendation on a message from PERALTA on the same subject.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

Dispatch to PHILLIPS following message:

"FORMALIZATION OF GUERRILLA MOVEMENT AS RECOMMENDED IN YOUR FIFTY NINE AT THIS TIME WOULD SERVE NO USEFUL PURPOSE BUT TO CONTRARY WOULD PROVOKE ENEMY REINFORCEMENTS AND RETALIATION WHICH PEOPLE YOUR AREA HAVE THUS FAR BEEN SPARED AND WOULD INEVITABLY COMPROMISE THE SECURITY OF YOUR POSITION AS AN OPERATING BASE FOR CENTRAL LUZON INTELLIGENCE AND COASTAL OBSERVATION WHICH MUST RPT MUST BE PRESERVED X PARA MATTER OF PERALTA INTELLIGENCE FACILITIES BEING TAKEN UP WITH HIM DIRECT X YOU WILL BE ADVISED OF ME-DECISIONS X PASS ANY INFORMATION YOU HAVE ON ENEMY OPERATIONS IN ROMBLON PROVINCE ON TO PERALTA"

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20 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 59 09 JANUARY

MET AT MAMBURAS WITH MAJOR RUFFY AND CAPTAIN BELENCIO,  
COMPANY COMMANDERS OTHER OFFICERS FROM SOUTH. RECOMMEND  
MINDORO AS SEPARATE UNIT UNDER MAJOR RUFFY WHO IS ORD CONSTAB-  
ULARY OFFICER. ORGANIZED AT PRESENT AS ONE WAR STRENGTH  
BATTALION, NO NEW MEN TO BE INDUCTED. POLICIES OF SWPA TO  
BE ADHERED TO AND CONTROLLED BY BATTALION HDQS LOCATED NEAR  
NAUJAN. LIASON OFFICER WITH THIS HDQS FOR INTELLIGENCE AND  
COOPERATION. METHOD OF FINANCE MOST URGENT. WHEN SETTLED  
WILL ELIMINATE MOST CIVILIAN PROBLEMS. HAVE SUBSCRIBED  
TWENTY THOUSAND PESOS IN LOANS. AUTHORIZED PERALTA HQRS.  
FIVE THOUSAND EXPENDED INTEL, BALANCE FOR SUPPLIES. PERALTA  
INTEL NET LEFT INTACT AWAITING YOUR DECISION. THEY HAVE NOT  
RECEIVED ANY FINANCES LATELY PERALTA AND CANNOT CONTINUE LUZON  
OPERATION WITHOUT AID.

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PHILLIPS

In re desire of General LIM and other officers to seek haven in MINDORO.

Major RUFFY is the officer whom PHILLIPS recommended to head MINDORO guerilla movement. An exodus of officers from Manila for MINDORO would be unfortunate in that it would unnecessarily compromise the safety of the officers themselves and would draw active enemy interest to that area.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

Dispatch following message to PHILLIPS:

"FOR THE REASONS STATED IN MY MESSAGE NUMBER 25 YOU SHOULD DO NOTHING RPT NOTHING TO ENCOURAGE EXODUS OF GENERAL LIM AND OTHER OFFICERS FROM MANILA TO YOUR AREA X SUCH ACT WOULD SERIOUSLY AND UNNECESSARILY COMPROMISE THE SAFETY OF THE OFFICERS CONCERNED AND THE SECURITY OF YOUR POSITION"

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10 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 60 09 JANUARY

GEN LIM AND OTHER HIGH RANKING CONSTABULARY OFFICERS  
LUZON, HAVE CONTACT MAJOR RUFFY, WISH COME MINDORO AVOID  
NQP COOPERATION. NIP PROPAGANDA FALSELY PUBLISH NAMES  
KNOWN GUERILLA LEADERS AS SURRENDERED, TO INDICATE WIDE  
SPREAD USE LAUREL AMNESTY. HUBBARD AND PRYOR KILLED AT  
SIBUYAN.

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61 PHILLIPS

In re enemy action in TABLAS.

Developments here, previously unmolested by the enemy, emphasizes what may be expected in MINDORO if we permit the guerrilla movement the increase in activity and expansion inevitably to result from any encouragement from this headquarters.

**Action taken:**

G-2 advised. On another message recommended today for dispatch to PHILLIPS I have instructed that info on enemy action in ROMBLON Province, which is part of the 6th M.D., be communicated direct to PERALTA.

**Action recommended:**

None.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 61 10 JANUARY

DATA REGARD TABLAS FROM GUERILLA OFFICER IN CONTACT.  
OVER SIX HUNDRED CIVILIANS KILLED AT TABLAS FEW GUERILLAS  
THREE AMERICANS KNOWN TO HAVE ESCAPED TO CUYOS.

LINDBLOOM FOUR OTHER AMERICANS TAKEN TO PANAY BY NIPS.  
THIS OFFICER SENT TWO MEN CHECK ON SIBUYAN HAD NOT YET  
RETURNED.

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12 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PHILLIPS

NR 62 11 JANUARY

WILL SEND RADIO THREE NEI TO CAPE SANTIAGO ON  
SIXTEENTH, HAVE HELP GUERRILLAS THERE. HAVE CONTACT  
TWENTY TWO AMERICANS ON LUZON. PICKUP CAN BE MADE PLACE  
SUGGESTED PARSONS OR SAME AS WHEN LANDED. MUST KNOW  
SOON IN ORDER MAKE PLANS GET GROUP TOGETHER. FOOD  
SUPPLIES OTHER FACILITIES DIFFICULT.

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PHILLIPS

In re escape of American prisoners -- reported torpedoing of enemy ships.

See map attached for positions indicated.

Our men who escaped are in a rather difficult position. It would be almost impossible to get such a large part to the coast, as that section of the country is more than any other dominated by disloyal elements through the families of LAUREL RECTO and De Las ALAS. The mountains, while very rugged and wild thus affording concealment, will yield little food unless loyal Filipinos are able to help.

**Action taken:**

G-2, Navy advised.

**Action recommended:**

None.

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13 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 63 12 JANUARY

ASHORE OFF NASUBBU ARE TWO NIP SHIPS ONE ON NOV  
TWO NINE OTHER DEC TWO EIGHT, BELIEVED TORPEDOED.  
PICKED UP TWO NIP NAVAL CAPS ONE COAT TWO FLAGS THIS  
SHORE. SIXTY AMERICAN PRISONERS ESCAPED LIPA NOV FOURTEENTH,  
HIDING IN MOUNTAINS. NIPS ENLARGING AIRFIELD BATANGAS  
ALSO PIER. AT NEW LOCATION NOW.

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In re evacuation of Americans from LUZON.

This message is one of those that make PRS wish it could turn in its pick and shovel and go to PERTH (even as Assistant Provost Marshal). It presents a question wherein arises a conflict between the head and the heart -- stern reality and sentiment.

It would be a worthy accomplishment to save from a possible living death these 22 Americans, but to attempt to do so now would be at a wholly unwarranted risk to our North MINDORO position. The exodus from LUZON of so large a party of Americans could hardly escape enemy notice. Their concentration at and evacuation from North MINDORO would be equally susceptible to enemy attention, with consequent reprisals against the loyal people in the area, who are assisting us so splendidly, and the overcoming of our position, with the possible deprivation to us of the further occupancy of North MINDORO as an operating intelligence base.

I believe we should resist every effort to turn that position or general area into a refugee sanctuary -- with the consequent enemy attention it would receive. It is the vital link between Central LUZON intelligence and this headquarters and, as such, its potential value from a military standpoint far transcends considerations of individual or group to whom aid might be given, but at risk of loss of the position itself.

Nor would the attempt to move these 22 Americans be without peril to themselves. For two years they have sustained their liberties -- are unquestionably now under the ministrations of friendly people. For them to proceed to the coast and cross the channel would not only be to venture their own lives, but those of their benefactors as well.

Considerations of military expediency argue against the attempt to evacuate these people at this time -- considerations of sentiment of course argue for it. The conclusion arrived at is an unhappy but inescapable one.

Action taken:

None.

**Action recommended:**

Dispatch of following message to PHILLIPS:

Sent  
20 Jun

"WHILE DEEPLY CONSCIOUS OF THE HARDSHIPS CONFRONTING AMERICANS IN LUZON WHO HAVE SO LONG ELUDED CAPTURE CMA AND DESIROUS OF EFFECTING THEIR RELIEF JUST AS SOON AS A PRACTICAL OPPORTUNITY PRESENTS ITSELF CMA REQUIREMENTS OF MILITARY NECESSITY FORBID THE USE OF YOUR GENERAL AREA EITHER AS A TEMPORARY SANCTUARY OR EVACUATION BASE PD ANY OTHER COURSE WOULD INEVITABLY BRING DOWN ENEMY REPRISALS UPON THE LOYAL PEOPLE WHO ARE ASSISTING YOU CMA RENDER THE AREA UNTENABLE AS AN OPERATING BASE FOR CENTRAL LUZON INTELLIGENCE AND PLACE IN GRAVE JEOPARDY THE SUCCESS OF YOUR MILITARY MISSION SEMICLN FURTHERMORE MOVEMENT OF THE PEOPLE REFERRED TO IN YOUR SIXTY TWO TO THE COAST COULD NOT BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT GRAVE JEOPARDY TO THEIR OWN LIVES AND TO THE LIVES OF LOYAL PEOPLE WHO HAVE THUS FAR PROTECTED THEM PD NOR WOULD IT BE FEASIBLE TO EFFECT A PICKUP AT OTHER SITE INDICATED BY YOU WHILE VESSEL IS EFFECTING LANDING IN YOUR AREA CMA WITHOUT MANIFEST AND UNWARRANTED JEOPARDY TO VESSEL ITSELF AND THE WHOLE PHILIPPINE SUPPLY PROGRAM PD IT IS DESIRED THAT YOU CONFINE YOUR PRESENT ACTIVITY TO THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF YOUR INTELLIGENCE MISSION."

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6 January 1944.

To: C/S

Re Phillips 64

1. Peralta has established a small radio outside Manila for reporting naval information obtained by agents in the Manila dock area. This net is to be in contact with Phillips on Mindoro who has contact with the naval radio on Mindanao. - This part of the Peralta net will provide a rapid channel for communicating naval information from the Manila area.
2. PRS suggests a message to Phillips advising:
  - a. Phillips that he must preserve the security of his location and his own net and must not depend on other nets for information.
  - b. Relaying information from this net to Peralta for action, unless matter is of operational importance to other district commanders.
  - c. Phillips not to meddle in the administration of the net but must work out with Peralta way of forwarding information obtained.
3. Believe recommendations above generally sound.
4. However, since this channel will provide naval information, Phillips should be advised to forward important up-to-the-minute naval information from this net to the Mindanao naval radio station as a time saving device. Details can be worked out with Peralta as suggested in para. 2.c.



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA  
Mil. Int. Section, Gen. Staff

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TO:	FOR:
Commander-in-Chief _____	Approval _____
Chief of Staff _____	Concurrence _____
Dep. Chief of Staff _____	Information _____
G-1 _____	Initials _____
G-2 _____	Issue Orders _____
G-3 _____	Nec Action _____
G-4 _____	Signature _____
Adjutant General _____	Ret to G-2 _____
C/Engr Officer _____	File _____
S/Sig. Officer _____	Comment _____
Public Relations _____	Circulate _____
Aides de camp _____	_____
Geog Section _____	_____
Translator Sec _____	_____
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In re PHILLIPS on PERALTA's intelligence net.

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There are some good points, but mostly bad to PHILLIPS action as reflected in this message.

The BAD:

- a. The whole matter should have been coordinated through PERALTA to avoid the charge of unwarranted interference;
- b. Relationship between two distinct intelligence nets, if carried too far, will tend to compromise one on compromise of the other.
- c. At most, PHILLIPS should provide retransmission facility to pass on to PERALTA information from the intelligence net under his direction and control, mailing text of such information periodically to this headquarters. This procedure leaves to PERALTA the satisfaction from reporting his own intelligence results with any evaluation he chooses to give it and, at the same time, avoids duplication of radio traffic.
- d. PHILLIPS, for security in signal communications, should not pass on to FERTIG anything that does not immediately concern the latter's area of responsibility.
- e. The tendency to rest on an interior intelligence net already developed, rather than developing a new and distinctly separate intelligence net of his own.

The GOOD:

- a. Establishment of a means for the net under PERALTA to communicate from MANILA for retransmission on to PERALTA.

I believe that the matter of financing his net should be left strictly to PERALTA, subject to consideration being given to any specific request he may make to us for direct assistance through PHILLIPS. The latter's present evaluation of the situation will be of value in decision on any such request.



**Action taken:**

None.

**Action recommended:**

Reply to PHILLIPS as follows:

*sent  
17 Jan*

"MATTER OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCING OF INTELLIGENCE NET DEVELOPED AND DIRECTED BY PERALTA IS FOR HIS PRIMARY CONSIDERATION AND ACTION PD SHOULD HE MAKE ANY REQUEST UPON THIS HEADQUARTERS FOR DIRECT ASSISTANCE THROUGH YOU IN THE MATTER YOUR PRESENT EVALUATION OF THE SITUATION WILL BE HELPFUL AND GIVEN DUE CONSIDERATION PD WHILE YOUR ACTION IN ESTABLISHING THE MEANS OF COMMUNICATION FROM THE OTHER NET'S RADIO STATION TO YOUR BASE CMA IS CALCULATED TO FURTHER THE DISPATCH OF INFORMATION FROM ITS SOURCE CMA YOU SHOULD CONFINE YOUR ACTIVITY IN THE PREMISES TO RETRANSMITTING SUCH INFORMATION IN PARAPHRASE FROM TO PERALTA CMA PRESERVING TEXT FOR LATER MAIL DISPATCH HERE PD THERE IS NO JUSTIFICATION FOR BURDENING RADIO TRAFFIC BY THE DISPATCH OF SUCH INFORMATION TO FERTIG OR ANY OTHER COMMANDER UNLESS IT HAS DISTINCT BEARING UPON LOCAL DEFENSIVE DISPOSITIONS PD DESPITE THE NET IN REFERENCE YOU SHOULD PROCEED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A DISTINCT AND SEPARATE INTELLIGENCE NET RESPONSIBLE DIRECTLY TO YOU CMA AVOIDING ANY ACTION THAT WOULD TEND TO INFORM OTHERS OF YOUR OPERATIONS AND DISPOSITIONS OR THE IDENTITY AND POSITION OF ANY ELEMENT OF YOUR NET OR THE LOCATION OF YOUR OPERATING BASE PD THE SECURITY OF YOUR POSITION AND SUCCESS OF YOUR MISSION REQUIRE THAT SUCH PRECAUTIONS BE SCRUPULOUSLY OBSERVED PD COMMUNICATE WITH PERALTA DIRECT IN THIS MATTER CMA EXERCISING CARE HOWEVER THAT HE DOES NOT CONSTRUE ANY VIEWS YOU MAY EXPRESS AS AN EXPRESSION OF THE VIEWS AND WILL OF THIS HEADQUARTERS IN THE PREMISES."

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65 PHILLIPS

In re pickup of intelligence material from North MINDORO.

This message lends encouragement to the thought that PHILLIPS is getting documentary material out of Manila in quantity -- I hope that the quantity gives the measure of the quality.

The matter of future pickups can best be discussed after the NARWHAL has been in about 15 Feb 44. I am advising PHILLIPS that initial pickup will be made coincident with supply delivery at about that time -- that future pickups will be arranged thereafter.

Action taken:

See comment.

Action recommended:

None.

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RKS

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15 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS )

NR 65 14 JANUARY

SUGGEST ARRANGE STOP OPERATIONAL SUB IN A REA PICKUP  
DATA ONCE MONTH IF POSSIBLE. WILL ARRANGE BE THERE.  
MAIN VALUE INFO LOST IF TOO GREAT DELAY ARRIVE THERE.  
CAN NAME SEVERAL PLACES. PLENTY INFO ON HAND AT PRESENT.

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TO : PHILLIPS

FROM : MACARTHUR

NR : 29

↓ INFO FROM YOUR POST IS DEVELOPING SPLENDIDLY BUT I DESIRE THAT YOU ORIENT YOUR COURSE TO SECURE ENEMY DOCUMENTS AS POSSIBLE WITH HIGH PRIORITY ON CODES CMA OPERATION AND SITUATION MAPS CMA INFORMATION INVOLVING WAR PLANS AND BATTLE ORDER CMA ARMY NAVY REGISTERS CMA DIARIES CMA ETC PAREN MACARTHUR TO PHILLIPS PAREN TO DO SO YOU ARE FULLY AUTHORIZED TO USE ANY RPT ANY MEANS WITHIN YOUR POWER AND DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR SUCH PURPOSES ARE SUBJECT TO YOUR DISCRETION ALONE PD PARA YOUR MEASURES TO SECURE SKETCHES OF IMPORTANT ENEMY INSTALLATIONS ARE EXCELLENT AND SHOULD BE CONTINUED VIGOROUSLY PD WHEN AGENTS HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE DEFENSIVE POSITIONS CMA CAREFUL NOTE SHOULD BE MADE OF LOCATION CMA MOBILITY CMA CALIBRE AND TYPE OF GUNS CMA WITH NATURE OF CAMOUFLAGE IF ANY PD DETERMINE WHETHER GUN CREWS ARE SEASONED OR UNSEASONED TROOPS CMA JAPANESE CMA FILIPINO OR OTHER NATIONALITY AND DEGREE OF ALERTNESS PD IN DETERMINING STRENGTH OF AIR DEFENSES CMA INFORMATION SHOULD BE OBTAINED ON PROVISIONS FOR SEARCHLIGHT COVERAGE CMA SOUND AND DIRECTION DEVICES AND RADAR INSTALLATIONS PD ON IMPORTANT AIRFIELDS SECURE AS POSSIBLE SKETCHES SHOWING DISPERSAL CMA USE MADE OF HANGARS/LOCATION OF GASOLINE AND OIL DUMPS CMA NATURE OF AIRFIELD DEFENSES AND LOCATION OF OFFICERS AND TROOPS INCLUDING AIR CREW'S QUARTERS PD NOTE AND ADVISE MEANS OF LAND COMMUNICATION MOST USED TO AND FROM

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PHILLIPS

In re report on PHILLIPS' position.

Inquiry in re financing intelligence apparently concerns the intelligence net controlled by PERALTA. We are sending in 200,000 pesos in enemy currency by 4th trip of HARWHAL. Believe we should send PHILLIPS, at the same time, 100,000 pesos in Philippine currency as it is only a matter of time when PERALTA will call for direct aid. In any event the development of Central LUZON intelligence is going to require continuing expenditure and it is best to get it in while making the contact.

I have been unable to interpret the sentence "MANILA PAGLASAN EXPECTED SOON." My Filipino interpreters are stumped. It may be a garble.

Note new reference to evacuation. May suggest that plans have gone further than we realized. I can't help but view this situation with concern for the continued security of our vital position in that area.

**Action taken:**

None.

**Action recommended:**

Send PHILLIPS additional Philippine currency (100,000 pesos). Reply to query in re evacuation on basis of C-in-C's decision on matter now pending.

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C. W.

RKS

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*CAW*

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18 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR : 66 17 JANUARY

BAD WEATHER DELAY SEND RADIO CAPE SANTIAGO, EXPECT CONTACT  
NEXT FEW DAYS. AGENT ADVISES TWO LAUNCHES STOPPED PAGASPASTAY  
PAST YEAR, NO LANDING. SIX HOUSES EAST SHORE ALL HIS RELATIVES.  
HAVE PURCHASED TWO SAILBOATS, ONE SMALL, ONE TWENTY TON. PERALTA  
ADVISES AGENT SAN JOSE SEND INTEL REPORT HERE FOR HIM, WHICH  
INDICATES DIFFICULTY TRANSPORT. IF WANT INTEL FINANCED HERE SEND  
MONEY NEXT SHIPMENT. SUGGEST PACK SAME AS AUSSIE RATIONS WITH  
DISTINCTIVE MARK. MANILA PAGLASAN EXPECTED SOON. HOW MANY YANKS  
POSSIBLE TAKE ONE TIME?



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PHILLIPS

In re PHILLIPS and the Mindoro guerillas.

This message was improperly addressed to me. It adds nothing that would appear to call for any change in decisions already made, but is submitted for the clarifying information therein contained.

Decision made and communicated to PHILLIPS was clear. It was designed to protect our position and the people. If the membership in the local guerillas was made up of unsurrendered USAFFE officers and men, as in the case in CEBU, there would be somewhat of a moral obligation to direct and assist, but that is not the case as mostly inducted civilians are involved.

**Action taken:**

None.

**Action recommended:**

I recommend no action and no reply.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR : 67 18 JANUARY



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PHILLIPS TO COLONEL WHITNEY. INTELLIGENCE CONTACTS MADE  
HERE EXCEPT MANILA NET DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY THRU GUERILLAS.  
WILL TRY CLARIFY SET-UP SINCE DIFFICULT THERE REALIZE IMPORTANCE  
TO US. PRESENT ORGANIZATION COMPOSED MEN INDUCTED AUTHORITY  
PERALTA, CONTROLLED LOOSELY; IN FACT SOME CASES AMOUNT TO  
PERSONAL ARMIES, IRRESPONSIBLE, DIFFICULT TO CONTROL, MAKING  
UNREASONABLE DEMANDS CIVILIANS AND CAUSING INCIDENTS WHICH MAY  
ENDANGER OUR SECURITY.

PLAN MSG NR 59 FORMULATED AFTER MEETING WHOLE GROUP  
OFFICERS DISCUSSED POLICY SWPA TO AVOID COMBAT OF ANY KIND.  
WOULD HOLD OFFICERS RESPONSIBLE, REPLACE UNSUITABLE LEADERS  
AND WOULD FORM CLOSE ORGANIZATION WHICH WOULD FOLLOW EXPLICIT  
ORDERS FROM SWPA. NO NEW MEN TO BE INDUCTED. WAR STRENGTH  
BATTALION SET-UP ELIMINATES FORMATION NEW COMPANY TAKE CARE OF  
SURPLUS ALREADY INDUCTED. THIS SET-UP WOULD ADD TO OUR SECURITY  
AND INCREASE COOPERATION THRU OUT.

MAJOR RUFFY WAS DISTRICT COMMANDER MINDORO OUTBREAK OF  
WAR, KNEW HIM IN BUKIDNON BELIEVE HIM SOUND. IF NOTHING DONE  
YOUR PART STRONGLY FEEL ACTION TAKEN WILL REFLECT NON-COOPERATION  
NON-CONFIDENCE AND BE SERIOUS DETERRENT MORALE. MADE CLEAR AT  
MEETING I COULD ONLY RECOMMEND, THAT AUTHORITY WOULD HAVE TO COME  
FROM SWPA.

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TO : PHILLIPS  
FROM : MACARTHUR  
NR : 31

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ALBERTO PROMOTED TO MASTER SGT CMA VITORIO TO TECHNICIAN FOURTH GRADE  
EFFECTIVE TENTH JANUARY FOLLOWING YOUR RECOMMENDATION

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In re evacuation of ROXAS and LIM.

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Message discloses that ROXAS desires evacuation and to be accompanied by General LIM.

Msg from OZAMIZ dated 1 January 44, advised in point: "ROXAS BELIEVES HIS PRESENCE HERE UNTIL SHORTLY BEFORE START OF ACTIVITIES THIS AREA. SUGGEST MAKE PLANS FOR EVACUATION LATTER PART OF FEBRUARY. FINAL DECISION TO BE RELAYED TO PHILLIPS OR PERTIG. GRATEFUL TO GEN. MACARTHUR."

Msg from PHILLIPS dated 9 Jan 44, advised: "GEN LIM AND OTHER HIGH RANKING CONSTABULARY OFFICERS LUZON, HAVE CONTACT MAJOR RUFFY, WISH COME MINDORO AVOID NIP COOPERATION..."

We replied to above on 14 Jan 44: "...YOU SHOULD DO NOTHING RPT NOTHING TO ENCOURAGE EXODUS OF GENERAL LIM AND OTHER OFFICERS FROM MANILA TO YOUR AREA. SUCH ACT WOULD SERIOUSLY AND UNNECESSARILY COMPROMISE THE SAFETY OF THE OFFICERS CONCERNED AND THE SECURITY OF YOUR POSITION."

It is possible that ROXAS is acting in the belief that we are shortly to start activities in the Philippine area, as he makes it clear in his message that he believes his presence there is advisable until such time. That appears definitely to be the case. He can certainly serve us much better in MANILA than he could either here or in WASHINGTON. Furthermore, his evacuation at this time with General LIM would make the enemy increasingly alert to the presence of our agents in MANILA -- if evacuated through MINDORO would jeopardize our continued occupancy of the position now held there.

There are three courses of action available to the C-in-C:

- a. Let situation quietly develop along the course indicated and evacuate ROXAS and LIM as soon as practical after their reaching MINDORO; or
- b. Affirmatively authorize PHILLIPS to assist in evacuation of ROXAS and LIM from point on MINDORO coast as far removed from our position as possible -- from PALJUAN itself if necessary; or
- c. Advise ROXAS (Thru OZAMIZ) that our operations in the Philippines are not yet imminent but leaving to his choice the time of his



departure -- thereafter if early evacuation is elected, steer PHILLIPS as carefully as possible with view to minimizing threat such operation would have to our position.

The whole operation is an extremely delicate one, but I would be inclined to view the last course of action indicated as the most sound one for the C-in-C to pursue.

**Action taken:**

None.

**Action recommended:**

Dispatch of following message to OZAMIZ:

"EVACUATION AT PRESENT INADVISABLE IF DECISION IS PREDICATED UPON BELIEF IN IMMINENCE OF OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS THAT AREA PD WHILE PRESENT OPERATIONS ARE PROCEEDING SATISFACTORILY THERE STILL REMAIN EXTENSIVE ENEMY HELD AREAS TO BE RECOVERED BEFORE DIRECT PHILIPPINE OPERATIONS ARE POSSIBLE PD HOWEVER AT SUCH TIME AS DEPARTURE IS DECIDED UPON I WILL DO ALL IN MY POWER TO FACILITATE THE MOVE."

C. W.

The C-in-C does not consider that this is a sufficiently authentic message from Roxas & Lim to act on & even if it were, any reply would disclose elements of future plans. Therefore, he does not want any reply made at this time.

RJM

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22 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 68

DO NOT HAVE COMPLETE SET QUEEN SIGNALS X CANNOT  
BREAK MSG ONE SEVEN TWO THREE THREE OF SEVENTEENTH.  
SPECIAL AGENT SENT PALUAN BY LIM X STATED MAN YOU ARE  
PRIMARILY INTERESTED IN READY GO, EXPECTS TAKE LIM WITH  
HIM X WILL CHECK WITH MANILA NET SOON AS COURIER ARRIVES X  
AGENT SENT STATED COURIER WILL ARRIVE IN FEW DAYS. NIPS  
LEFT LUBANG. NAVAL INFO, USUAL PRACTICE DAY PREVIOUS  
CONVOY EXPECTED PLANES PATROL AREA. IF CONVOY SIGHTED OFF  
CAPE SANTIAGO EARLY AFTERNOON OR LARGE CONVOY TO COME  
PLANE PATROL X IF SMALL CONVOY NO PLANE PATROL. AREA  
SOUTH CLOSE TO GOLO ISLAND OR ALONG SOUTH COAST OF VERDE  
PASSAGE OFF CAL/VITE PASSAGE APPEAR DESIRABLE POSSIBLE AREAS FOR  
SUBS. REPORTS ALL INDICATE NIPS MOVING TROOPS TO NORTH  
LUZON.

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69 PHILLIPS

In re PHILLIPS

Message in re evacuation was clear. "Former instructions" referred to probably has reference in turn to the C-in-C's general repatriation policy designed primarily for application in the southern areas.

I believe there is no action nor reply indicated by this message.

Action taken

None.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 JANUARY, 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 69 22 JANUARY

ESTABLISHED GOOD CONTACT PATCHER STATION ON CAPE SANTIAGO. HAVE CONTACT TWO SICK AMERICANS, SENT FOR THREE OTHERS THAT ESCAPED TABLAS. THIS IN ACCORD FORMER INSTRUCTIONS TO GROUP AMERICANS WHEN POSSIBLE FOR EVACUATION.

INFO SEVEN FORMER FILIPINO PILOTS READY ANY TIME NEEDED.

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70 PHILLIPS

In re resume of coastal observations from PHILLIPS position 1 - 15 Jan.

This resume of observations during the period indicated is of interest in its disclosure of the pattern of enemy sea and air movement over the area concerned, coupled with our developing ability to pin such movement down to our observation and report.

Action taken:

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Action recommended:

None.

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26 JANUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR 70 25 JANUARY



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WATCHER STATION INFO JAN ONE TO 15. CARGO SHIPS TOTAL THIRTY ONE, OFF CAPE SANTIAGO NORTH FIVE, EAST TO VERDE PASSAGE TEN. OFF LUBANG NORTH FIVE. CALAVITE PASSAGE WEST NINE, SOUTH TWO AND NORTH ONE. DE OR DD TOTAL NINE. OFF CAPE SANTIAGO NORTH ONE, EAST TO VERDE PASSAGE THREE, OFF CALAVITE PASSAGE FOUR AND LUBANG ONE.

PLANES TOTAL ~~66~~ BOMBERS, CALAVITE PASSAGE NORTH 22, SOUTH 34 WEST NINE EAST ONE. FIGHTERS TOTAL 25, CALAVITE PASSAGE NORTH FOUR, SOUTH 19 WEST TWO. UNCLE EIGHT, NAVY TWO.

MOTOR LAUNCHES 22 ONE CONVOY TO CAPE SANTIAGO FROM VERDE PASSAGE ONE (\*). SEVEN OTHERS.

SAILBOATS TOTAL 98.

(\* ) REPITITION OF THE NUMBER "ONE" APPARENTLY FOR CLARITY.

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TO : PHILLIPS  
 FROM : MACARTHUR  
 NR : 34

FACT THAT ENEMY ACTS OF CRUELTY ON AMERICAN AND FILIPINO POW RPT  
 POW HAS RECENTLY BEEN GIVEN PUBLICITY MAY CHANGE THE TREATMENT GIVEN TO  
 THESE PRISONERS AND INTERNEES IN CAMPS <sup>NR THREE FOUR PD</sup> PD ARRANGE TO OBSERVE THRU YOUR  
 CONTACTS AND REPORT ANY TRENDS / INFORM US ON FOLLOWING ITEM IF POSSIBLE  
 CLN DID WAR PRISONERS AND INTERNEES RECEIVE CMA AND HOW MUCH CMA SUPPLIES  
 FROM TEIA MARU LANDED AT MANILA NOV SIXTH FROM RED CROSS



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75 PHILLIPS

In re Manila personalities.

Attached interpretive memo was prepared by Comdr. PARSONS at my request.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

None.



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2 FEBRUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR : 75 1 FEBRUARY

TO PARSONS: ROXAS BELIEVES SHOULD ESTABLISH FASTER CONNECTION NEW UNIT BEFORE UNDERTAKING PICKUP. HE IS MAKING TRIPS BAGUIO TO ACCUSTOM NIPS TO ABSENCE MANILA. SENSO OKAY HELPING JUAN QUIETLY. LUZON HAS CHANGED VERY BAD NOW. PRIMITIVO SAN AGUSTIN HAS NOT RETURNED FROM TRIP SOUTH YET. BUSUANGA BEING WORKED NAMIKAWA ALSO PLANS WORK OPOL. PHILIPPINE IRON MINES ACTIVE, PLAN PUT UP FIFTY TON SMELTER ALSO PLAN MANUFACTURE NAILS, SMALL TOOLS.

ALL FAMILIES YOU ASKED ABOUT OKAY. NO MEANS (NEWS?) OF LANGWITH BERRY.

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C.P

Col. Whitney

6 February 44

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- a. "SENSO" is SENZO HACHIUMA, former manager of TOKYO office of ELIZALDE & Company, and since the occupation of P.I. has returned as a member of the Economic Corps of the Japanese Army. He is not being trusted by the Manila Agents -- they realize that he is an enemy and wholly loyal to the enemy. They cultivate his association because of his social prominence amongst high enemy officials and the resultant possibility of using him surreptitiously as a means of securing enemy info and making other contacts. They know the necessity for preventing info of their work becoming known to him, as they know he would betray them to the enemy.
- b. "JUAN" is JUAN ELIZALDE, Reserve Officer in the P.A. and a member of the Manila Intelligence Net. HACHIUMA has maintained friendly relations with ELIZALDE since his return, and has offered (as employee of ELIZALDE, possible considering his post-War position with ELIZALDE & CO) to assist in any way possible. It was thru info obtained from HACHIUMA that enemy plans to invade GINGOOG and take over the lumber mill at ANAKAN (an ELIZALDE & Co project) that FERTIG was warned and was able to take precautionary measures.
- c. "NAMIKAWA" is the former Manila manager of a Japanese mining company and with whom I have had considerable pre-War dealings in the sale of manganese ore to Japan on behalf of the Luzon Stevedoring Co. He was returned to the Philippines to take charge of the base metal industry.
- d. "BUSUANGA" indicates the Island north of PALAWAN where are located several manganese mines formerly owned or operated by Luzon Stevedoring Co.
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- f. "FAMILIES ASKED ABOUT" refer to my mother-in-law and brother-in-law.
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2. These inquiries for info were made personally thru PHILLIPS on my last trip. It was not expected that the info would be sent by radio, as I asked that it be included in a letter at first opportunity.

C. W.

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83 PHILLIPS

In re meeting of PERALTA's and PHILLIPS' representatives at San Jose, MINDORO.

SAN JOSE has long been under enemy occupation. Lieut. SONGCO is a fine officer, graduate of the Naval Academy, whom PHILLIPS selected to go with him from here.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

None.

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11 FEBRUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M ( PHILLIPS )  
NR : 83 10 FEBRUARY

SONGCO MET OFFICER OF PERALTA AT SAN JOSE. DELIVERED  
NEW SET CODES AND FULL INSTRUCTIONS SUBTRACTOR METHOD, THEIR  
SYSTEM INSECURE. RECEIVED SOME CASH FOR NET. PERALTA HAS  
BEEN ADVISED REQUIREMENTS, HAS ASKED SOME AID FROM HERE.

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12 FEBRUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 84 11 FEBRUARY

SPECIAL COURIER REPRESENTING ROXAS AND LIM STATES  
READY WITH FAMILY MAKES PART OF SEVEN. WAS TOLD BE HERE  
BY TWENTY FIFTH. TRANSPORTATION FROM MANILA ALL ARRANGE-  
MENTS MADE. RECEIVED SERVICE MESSAGE NR 4, MY ERROR.

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TO : PHILLIPS  
 FROM : MACARTHUR  
 NR : *40*

RENDER EVERY POSSIBLE PHYSICAL ASSISTANCE TO ESCAPE ATTEMPT  
 REFERRED TO IN YOUR EIGHT FOUR PAREN MACARTHUR TO PHILLIPS PAREN IF HE  
 HAS DEFINITELY DECIDED TO MAKE THE EFFORT



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13 FEBRUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PHILLIPS

NR 87 12 FEBRUARY

LANDING OF ABOUT 50 NIPS THIS MORNING IN PALUAN, WE  
WILL MAINTAIN SILENCE FOR FEW DAYS TILL WE HAVE SOME  
DEFINITE INFO. POSSIBILITY USE SECOND OR THIRD ALTERNATE  
FOR LANDING SUPPLIES.

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13 FEBRUARY, 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 88 13 FEBRUARY

LANDING IN PALUAN WAS FIFTEEN, NOT FIFTY; LEFT FOUR  
HOURS LATER NW INFO FROM PEOPLE BELIEVE SAFE TO CONTINUE  
PLANS AS FORMERLY OUTLINED, AND WHICH WILL APPEAR IN MES-  
SAGE NUMBER 86 PARTS. WILL INFORM YOU LATER OF ANY CHANGES.

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85 PHILLIPS

In re arrival of agent from Gov. ABLAN.

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This is an interesting message. Governor ABLAN has done some splendid work in the North. It will be of great assistance to have contact made with him by our party scheduled to penetrate N.W. Luzon soon. I think also that the C-in-C should send him a message of encouragement and through him a message to the people of N.W. Luzon.

I am asking PHILLIPS to hold courier there, if he has not already left, until instructions can be formulated and a message dispatched. We should determine just where ABLAN can be contacted in about sixty days; whether delivery of radio capable of reaching this headquarters can be transported by courier and whether the Governor's authority to print currency still stands.

Loss of PRAEGER's codes and vital records is another lesson that must not be ignored. You will recall a number of personalities referred to in his messages who were possibly compromised through loss of these records.

It would prove well worthwhile to send ABLAN a small supply shipment if proper contact can be reasonably assured.

Action taken:

PHILLIPS instructed to hold courier pending further advice.

All radio contacts again warned to strengthen precautionary measures against codes and vital records falling into enemy hands.

Action recommended:

Dispatch message to Pres. QUEZON as follows:

*dispatched*

"GOV ABLAN STILL ACTIVELY RESISTING ENEMY ADVISES URGENT NEED OF FINANCIAL AID AND REQUESTS INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER YOUR PREVIOUS AUTHORITY TO PRINT CURRENCY IS STILL VALID"

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12 FEBRUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)

NR 85 11 FEBRUARY

AGENT ARRIVED FROM GOV ABLAN REPORTS ONE LARGE AIRCRAFT CARRIER IN MANILA BAY JANUARY 29. MAJOR PRAGER OTHERS CAPTURED IN OCTOBER ALSO RADIOSET, CODES AND MESSAGES SENT SWPA. WAS TORTURED BADLY THEN SENT TO FORT SANTIAGO, NO WORD OF HIM SINCE. MAIN AIRFIELD OF NIPS IN NORTH IS GOBU LOCATED WEST OF LAOAG ONE AND ONE FOURTH MILES. HAVE PLAN OF SAME. ENLARGING FIELD AT VIGAN. GOV ABLAN HEADS GUERILLA UNITS FIVE PROVINCES ALL INTEL REPORTS FORMERLY TO PRAGER, WISHES STATUS OF RECOGNITION. ALSO WISHES TO KNOW, IF AUTHORITY GIVEN TO PRINT MONEY BY QUEZON STILL GOOD. NEEDS FINANCIAL AID HAVE GIVEN SOME FROM HERE. WITH PRESENT DEVELOPMENTS HERE WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDS OR AUTHORITY TO OBTAIN SAME. ADVISABLE USE OLD P.I. CURRENCY. RATE THREE TO ONE EXCHANGE.

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86 PHILLIPS

In re enemy dispositions in North Luzon -- Contact with ABLAN.

See map attached for positions indicated.

As it is of great importance for us to open communication with ABLAN, I have just wired Commander PARSONS, loading vessel, to send radio equipment to ABLAN care of PHILLIPS -- will instruct PHILLIPS to arrange an adequate cypher system that will suffice until we get our party in. It may possibly be advisable for PHILLIPS to send one of his men back with ABLAN's courier. Will discuss feasibility of this and study situation.

The opportunity is definitely opened up for us to establish a strong position for intelligence and communications by utilization of ABLAN's forces and we must take full and timely advantage of it.

Action taken

See comment.

Action recommended:

None.

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15 FEBRUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : PHILLIPS

NR 86 13 FEBRUARY (THIS IS CORRECT VERSION WITH PART THREE INCLUDED)

NIPS HAVE RADIO STATION AND LANDING FIELD ON BATAN ISLAND NORTH OF LUZON, RUNWAY 600 BY 300 METERS, SURFACE ROLLED STONE AND CLAY. NO ANTI-AIRCRAFT DEFENSE. CORRECTION LOCATION GABU FIELD: FIVE MILES SOUTH, 83 DEGREES WEST OF LAOAG. TWO OBSERVATION PLANES STATIONED THERE ALSO TWO AT VIGAN. NO LARGE CONCENTRATION OF TROOPS ONLY SMALL GARRISONS EXCEPT FOLLOWING: VIGAN 200; APPARRI, 70; TUGUEGARAO, 100; BANGUED, 60; KABUGAO, 40. IN PROVINCES REPRESENTED POSSIBLE ESTABLISH SHIP WATCHER STATION IN MOUNTAINS BACK OF POINTS DISCUSSED BY WARES ALSO POSSIBLE MAKE LANDING SAME PLACE BUT CAGAYAN COAST CONSIDERED SAFER SINCE ONLY PC THERE AND ARE COOPERATING WITH ABLAN. HAVE ASKED THEM SEND TWO RADIO OPERATORS HERE FOR TRAINING AND WILL SEND ONE SMALL SET THERE WITH THEM UNLESS YOU HAVE OTHER PLANS. SMALL SET CAN CONTACT US HERE.

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17 FEBRUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR  
FROM : I S R M (PHILLIPS)  
NR 90 : 16 FEBRUARY

LANDING IN PALUAN OF SEVEN LAUNCHES, BETWEEN TWO HUNDRED  
FIFTY AND THREE HUNDRED SOLDIERS. ALSO ONE LAUNCH IN MANANAO  
WITH FORTY SOLDIERS. EXPECTED TO BE PLENTY HOT NEXT FEW DAYS.  
WILL CONTACT AGAIN WHEN POSSIBLE.

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18 FEBRUARY 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PHILLIPS

NR 91 17 FEBRUARY

IF WE SHOULD LOSE OUR RADIO EQUIPMENT AND CANNOT CONTACT YOU, WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO MEET VESSEL ON 28TH OR THEREABOUT IN AGREED PLACE TO GIVE ALL DATA ON HAND.

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SIGNAL CORPS MESSAGE  
 GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
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TO : PHILLIPS  
 FROM : MACARTHUR  
 NR : 42

LATTA NOW ENROUTE FIRST SITE ETA NOUGHT NOUGHT THREE NOUGHT  
 HOW ON DATE EQUIVALENT TO LAST TWO FIGURES YOUR SERIAL NUMBER PLUS  
 FOUR OR ADD SEVEN TO DATE OF MONTH YOUR BIRTHDAY PD IF FIRST SITE  
 COMPROMISED CAN YOU ARRANGE RENDEZVOUS AT SITE TWO OR THREE TAKING  
 INTO CONSIDERATION PROBABLE DIFFICULTY OF MOVING BATIL TO SITE IF  
 ENEMY LAUNCHES IN VICINITY PD UTMOST SECRET BURN

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