

INFORMATION

REPORTS

21-25 APRIL 1944

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ALLIED INTELLIGENCE BUREAU
PHILIPPINE REGIONAL SECTION

AIB Info.
Report No. 2106

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Date: 25 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1726

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2 ^W

Message No. 145 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy action and dispositions in PALAWAN.

Comment: "MANIOQUE" apparently refers to Major PEDRO MANIGQUE formerly head of the PALAWAN guerillas but later deposed under various charges of misappropriation of funds, food, etc.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

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Action recommended:

None. ^{OK} ^{Mark}



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G-2 Comments : Palawan items appear, from time to time. Peralta is the only responsible figure in touch with Palawan Mindoro etc. On the current principle of conferring authority on the defacto local head (area or region) it would clear the atmosphere considerably if we extend the authority, or charge missions to, of existing, successful commanders to areas where no outstanding individual has asserted himself ; this is particularly important for the control of intelligence. Consequently, I recommend that Peralta's authority be extended to include the Palawan group. ^W

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24 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 145 23 APRIL

AS OF 1ST FEBRUARY, ABOUT 300 JAPS IN PALAWAN ISLAND AND TWO BC COMPANIES OF ABOUT 140 MEN. NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY EXCEPT LOCAL JAP DRIVE AGAINST GUERILLAS RESULTING IN CAPTURE OF A FEW OFFICERS AND MEN. PEOPLE EVERY HARD UP FOR FOOD IN NORTHERN PART. NO SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE SITUATION AS OF 1ST MARCH. MANIOQUE HAS BEEN PLACED UNDER ARREST AND IN CONCENTRATION CHARGED WITH ROBBERY. NO MORE COMMAND TROUBLES APPARENTLY.

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Date: 25 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1725

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 981 from FERTIG

Precis: In re enemy air operations.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG

NR 981 24 APRIL

AIR: 22 APRIL: BALINGASAG TO NORTH, TWO TRANSPORTS,
MC-20'S, AT 2230.

23 APRIL SAME PLACE: TO NORTH MC-20 TRANSPORT AT
0000 HOURS, 30 MINUTES ANOTHER, TYPE "O" ARMY HQ. RECONN-
AISSANCE AT 0150, MC-20 TRANSPORT AT 0300 HOURS. TO SOUTH
SAME: UNIDENTIFIED AND MC-20 MITSUBISHI TRANSPORT AT 0210,
0230 TYPE "O" ARMY HQ. RECONNAISSANCE, 0320 TWO MC-20 TRANS-
PORTS, TWO MORE AT 0400 HOURS, MC-20 TRANSPORT AT 0550.

24 APRIL, BALINGASAG, MISAMIS ORIENTAL, FIVE FIGHTERS
ESCORTING D-2 TRANSPORT TO SOUTH AT 0010. UNIDENTIFIED VERY
FAST TO SOUTH OVER SAN DIONISIO, PANAY, AT 2300 HOURS YESTER-
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Date: 25 April 1944

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No. 1724

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2 ^W

Message No. 975 from FERTIG

Precis: In re air re-inforcements for Davao.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised

Action recommended:

None.

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24 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 975 24 APRIL

HOLDER REPORTS: C-3: FIFTY BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS
ARRIVED SASA FROM SWPA ON APRIL 8. ONE HUNDRED PLANES
REPORTED AT MATINA FIELD THAT DATE, HIDDEN UNDER COCO-
NUT TREES BUT NO REVETMENTS. EIGHT TRUCKS LOADED WITH
AIRCORPS PERSONNEL ARRIVED SAME FIELD SAME DATE.

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Date: 25 April 1944

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No. 1723

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 980 from FERTIG

Precis: In re enemy re-inforcements to DAVAO.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG

NR 980 24 APRIL

LAURETA. (8-1): 25 WARSHIPS ARRIVED DAVAO GULF DURING
FIRST WEEK APRIL. FOUR TRANSPORTS UNLOADED TROOPS. (SEE
6,000 REPORTED BY PAGE). 39 TRUCKS GASOLINE UNLOADED AT
LICANAN AND SASA FIELDS. 50 PLANES AT FORMER ON 17 APRIL.

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Report No. 2102

Date: 25 April 1944

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No. 1722

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^W G-2

Message No. 979 from FERTIG

Precis: In re recent escapees from DAVAO POW camp.

Comment: Question is raised as to whether all escapees must be evacuated. Policy heretofore has permitted FERTIG to retain the services of escapees who volunteered to remain. I believe there should be no change in that policy.

Action taken:

None.

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Action recommended:

✓ Advise FERTIG that he may retain those members of the group that recently escaped who volunteer for active service with his command and whose service is desired by him.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG

NR 979 24 APRIL

SECOND LIEUTENANT JAMES MCCLURE, 0-890193, ARRIVED SANTA JOSEFA, AGUSAN PROVINCE, ENROUTE HERE. WOHLFELD, WATSON AND HABURNE HERE NOW. DO YOU WANT ALL SENT OUT OR MAY WE RETAIN THOSE OF POSSIBLE VALUE?

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Report No. 2101

Date: 25 April 1944

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No. 1721

Coordination: ¹¹ G-2

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 29 from INGINIERO

Precis: In re enemy documents recovered from crashed transport off CEBU.

Comment: On 18 April I wired CUSHING as follows: "DOCUMENTS DESCRIBED IN YOUR NUMBER SIX MAY BE OF EXTREME VALUE. TAKE EVERY POSSIBLE PRECAUTION TO INSURE SAFE ARRIVAL AT SOUTHERN NEGROS FOR DISPATCH HERE AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY. ADVISE WHEN DELIVERY IS EFFECTED"

I am hopeful that sub can take delivery of the documents about the end of May.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

None.

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25 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : INGINIERO

NR 29 24 APRIL

ON 1 APRIL ONE TRANSPORT PLANE BELIEVED TO HAVE COME FROM S W P FRONT CRASHED AT SAN FERNANDO CEBU. 10 NIP SURVIVORS WITH A PORTFOLIO ARE BELIEVED TO BE IN CUSHING'S HANDS NOW. IT IS KNOWN THAT PORTFOLIO CONTAINS SECRET PAPERS BECAUSE JAPS WILL GIVE REWARD OF 5,000 PESOS TO ANYONE WHO COULD PRESENT THE PORTFOLIO TO THEM.

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Date: 25 April 1944

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No. 1719

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: *W* G-2

Message No. 969 from FERTIG

Precis: In re coast-watcher observations.

Comment: Herewith is weekly summary of coast-watcher observations with amplifying map attached.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG (EVANS)

NR 969 23 APRIL

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WATCHER REPORT WEEK ENDING APRIL 22:

TOTAL FLASHES RECEIVED: 63. TOTAL RELAYED TO NAVY: 41.
SIGHTINGS AND STATIONS REPORTING: ANA 1, ARC 7, CDE 5,
HV5 4, MACA 4, MBG 2, MBX 1, MBY 3, PGA 11, REG 1,
REL 6, RIA 3, TAB 3, TUF 1, VIM 7, WAQ 2, KNS 1,
CONTACTS AND CALL LETTERS OUTSIDE STATIONS: ANA 4, CDE 5,
HV5 3, MACA 17, PGA 19, RIA 4, TAR 6, UAN 2,
VIM 12, KNS 1, WBA 2, STATIONS UNHEARD: BAX, ISRM,
MY, REC, TUK, UAM, WPI (FOLLOWING RELAY VIA ERT-CH),
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ISRM, MY, TUK, UAM ALL STATUS QUO LAST REPORT; WPI HEARD
BUT HAS NOT CALLED IN; REC BATTERY TROUBLE. STATIONS
REPORTING NO ACTIVITY: MBA, MBC, MBF, MBN, MBR, UAN,
WAJ, WAP, WBA. GENERAL OR SPECIAL COMMENT: TOTAL TARGETS
149. PLANE FLASHES 24. AIR ACTIVITY INCREASING. MUCH
SHIPPING IN DAVAO GULF. EAST COAST MORE ACTIVE. REQUEST
STATIONS OTHER DISTRICTS NOTIFY US WHEN CHANGING CALL LETTERS
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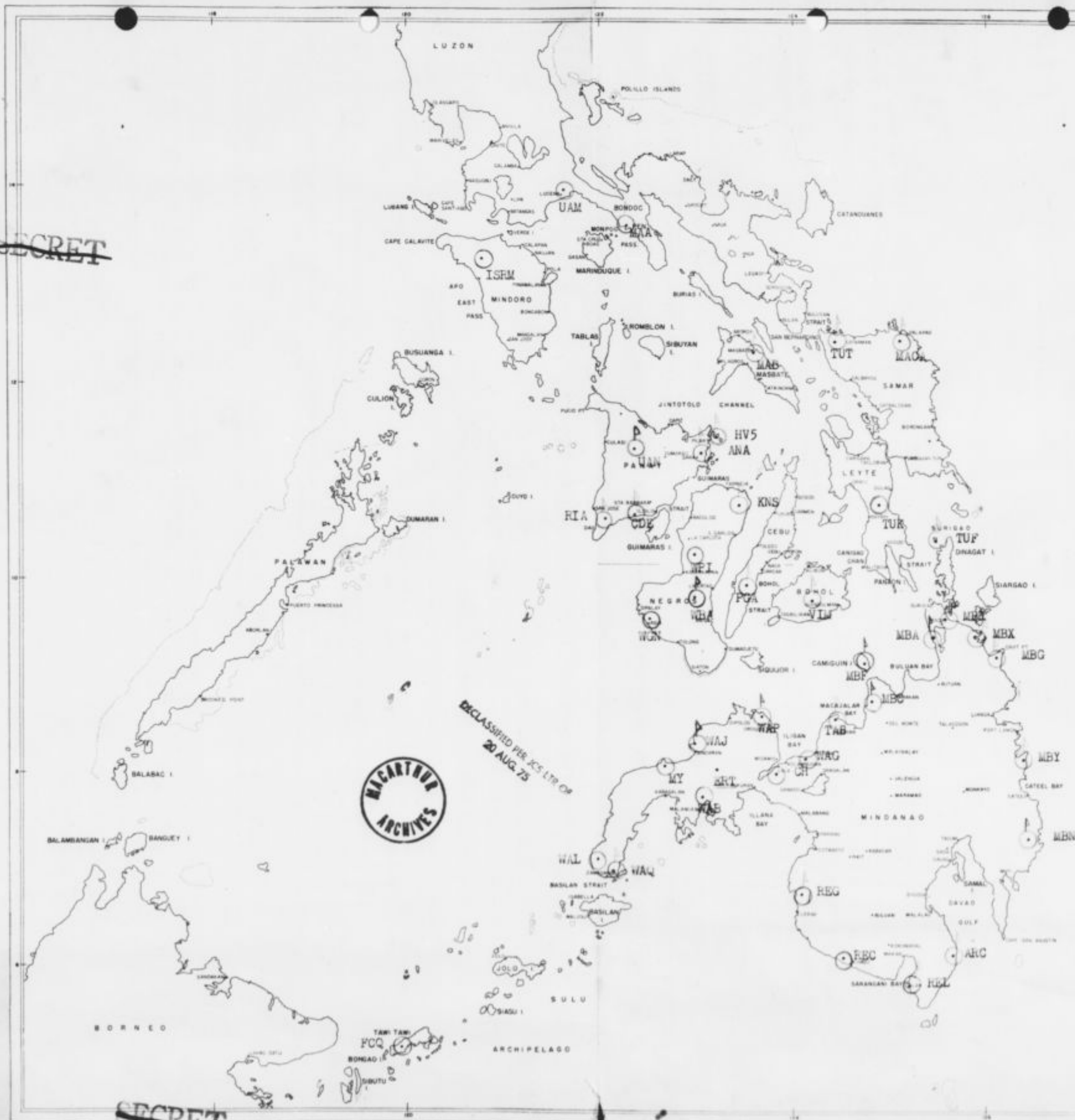


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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA
Military Intelligence Section
General Staff
WEEKLY COAST WATCHER REPORT
Period ending 23 April 44

NK 969 FERTIG

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(Reports for MAA, MAB, TUT)

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Contacts and call letters outside stations.

ANA - 4; CDE - 5; HV5 - 3; MAGA - 17; PGA - 19; RIA - 4;
TAR - 6; UAN - 2; VIM - 12; KNS - 1; WBA - 2.

○ Stations Unheard:

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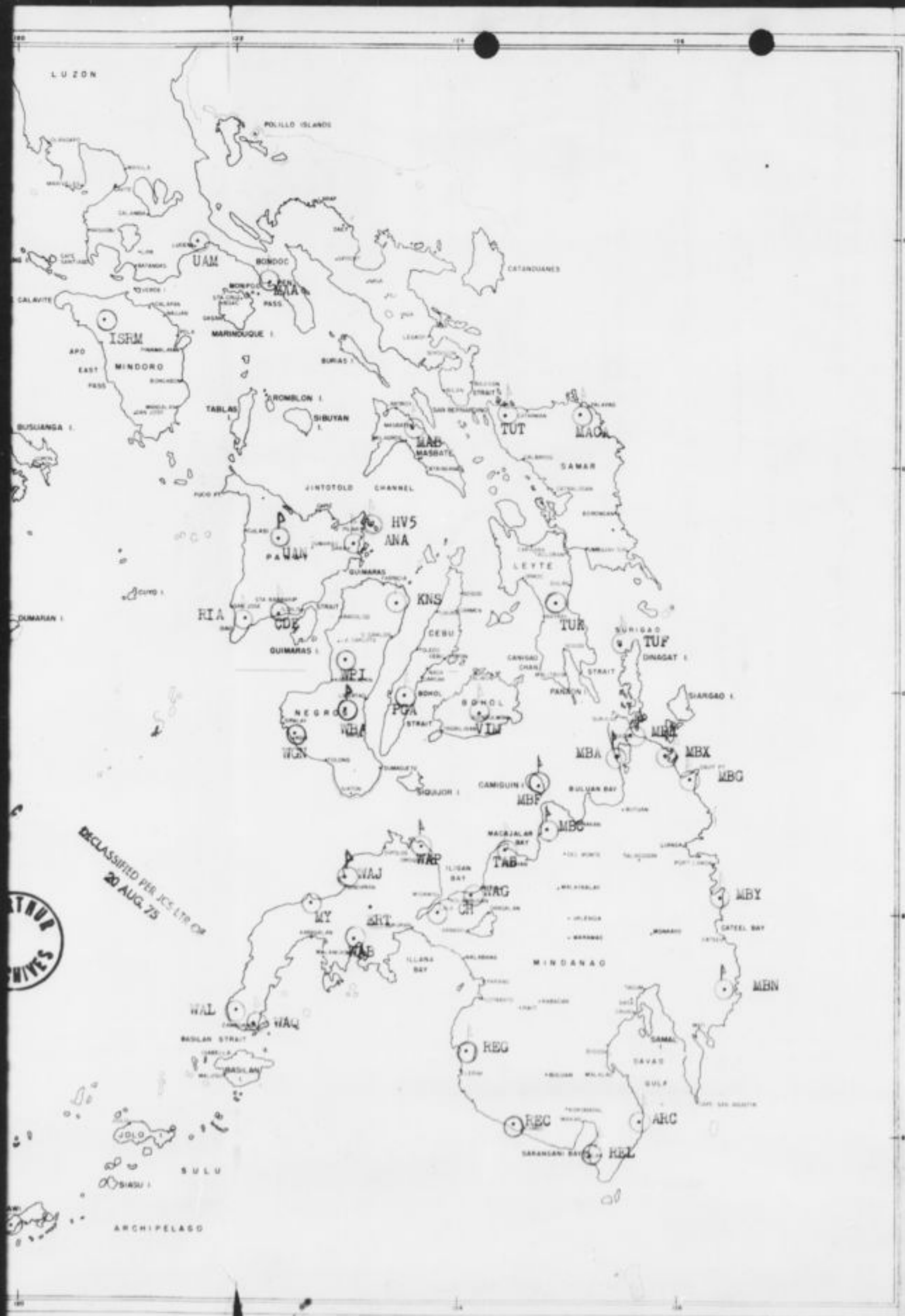
○ Stations reporting no activity.

MBA, MBC, MBP, MBN, MHR, UAN, WAJ, WAP, WBA.

Note: Exact location of KNS and WBA unknown.

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- NR 930 - 18 April/44 - At 0800/Z gunboat shelled Baliton and landed troops while two planes strafed area.
- NR 933 - 19 April/44 - There has been a daily plane or planes north only over Causwagan near old pick up site, beginning on April 7. Of the 2,500 troops reported in Iligan some were sent to Dansalan while rest were taken out by ship. 200 Japs at old pick up site.
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- NR 126 - 18 April/44 - Ships often hide around Linapacan Island near Culaylayan Island.
- NR 128 - 19 April/44 - Order dated April 15, published Panay Times by Japs prohibits native boats to travel through Tablas Strait.
- 19 April/44 - 14 April, about 900 Japs arrived Iloilo City in three groups, by transports.
- NR 133 - 21 April/44 - Several reports that vicinity of Iloilo Port is mined.
- SAMAR - NR 81 - 16 April/44 - Coastal air patrol started 14 April on east coast.
- Cebu - NR 14 - 18 April/44 - Seven dead bodies were recovered by enemy from the four-engined flying boat that crashed 400 meters off San Fernando coast, two live Japs were sent immediately to Tinaan by puppets. Eyewitness reports plane caught fire and sank after 30 minutes, with several minor explosions after the crash, Jap patrol boat was on the scene shortly after fire was extinguished. Number of passengers and crew were 27.
- NR 13 - 20 April/44 - Present Cebu defenses from North Yati to Liloan, from south Pundatanga, east to coastal defenses and west not yet defined. Mactan airfield being rushed secretly, as it is believed you are not aware of this location.
- Negros - NR 107 - 16 April/44 - On April 7, at the mouth of Nabulao Bay at 20 meters intervals two enemy launches dropped three heavy objects about two feet diameter and four feet long that look like mines. Parties not out to pick up these and check other places.
- NR 110 - 19 April/44 - Farica in Negros being converted into major enemy air base. Over 1000 drums aviation gasoline stored

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Date: 25 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1718

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2

Message No. 974 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re development at SARANGANI ISLAND - - BUAYAN.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

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24 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 974 24 APRIL

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MISED TO RETURN TO BUILD AIRFIELD BUT HAVENOT DONE SO
BY APRIL 18. NO JAPS ON ISLAND NOW.

C-4, BUAYAN, COTABATO PROV., HAS NEW HANGAR. GAS
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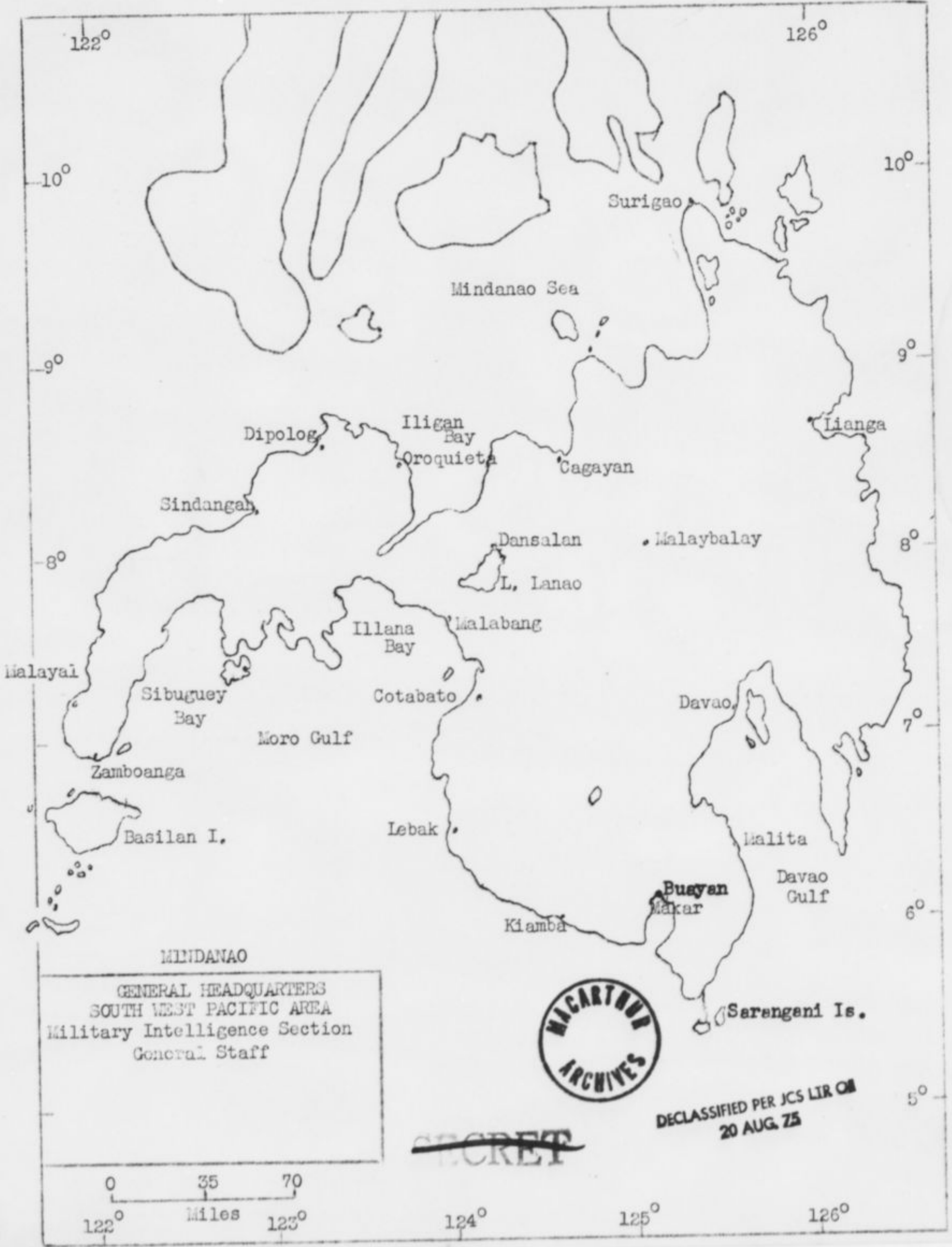
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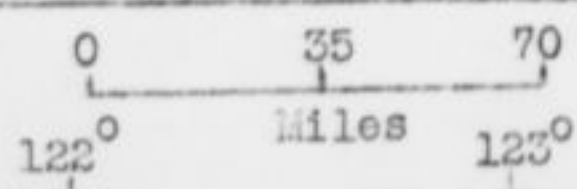


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Date: 25 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1717

Coordination: ^WG-2

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 971 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy air movement.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG

NR 971 23 APRIL

AIR. OVER ESTANCIA PANAY BY HV5: 22 APRIL AT0000 HOURS
MC 20 MITSUBISHI HIGH FAST TO NORTHWEST, AT 0140 ANOTHER
MC 20 MITSUBISHI SAME. 0135 FIVE TYPE 97 MARK 3 NAVY,
NAKAJIMA TORPEDO BOMBERS HIGH FAST TO SOUTHEAST,
FIRST THREE AND THEN TWO.

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Date: 25 April 1944

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No. 1715

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 972 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy action and dispositions in the DAVAO area.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 972 23 APRIL

HOLDER CONFIRMS PREVIOUS REPORT BY LAURETA THAT ON 15 APRIL SEVEN FIL CIVILIANS WERE EXECUTED AT KM 55 FOR HELPING US. GARRISON INCREASED THERE WITH INTENTION TO BRING IT TO 2,000 MEN (NUMBER QUESTIONED). BARRACKS TO BE CONSTRUCTED THERE AND ALSO AT KM 51 NORTH ROAD.

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Date: 25 April 1944

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No. 1714

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 976 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re Lt. THOMAS, A.C.

Comment: Msg. responsive to our inquiry for men trained in weather observation. Training of Lt. THOMAS might be insufficient in itself but would appear to suitably fit him for charge of the local weather operations with trained enlisted men under him.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

None.

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24 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 976 24 APRIL

CHANDLER B. THOMAS, USAC 1ST LT., HAD METEOROLOGICAL TRAINING IN CIVILIAN AND ARMY FLYING SCHOOLS. I BELIEVE HE CAN HANDLE JOB IF YOU FURNISH INSTRUMENTS. HE HAS BEEN AT FARM FOR ONE YEAR.

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Date: 23 April 1944

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No. 1713

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Coordination: G-2

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 967 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy dispositions in DAVAO Province.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 967 23 APRIL

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B-2, 16,000 JAP SOLDIERS NOW IN DAVAO PROVINCE,
6000 ARRIVED ABOUT APRIL 1. SIXTY BIG LANDING BARGES
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT TIBUNGKO, C-3.

B-1, BUAYAN, COTABATO, IS LARGEST LANDING AREA IN
10TH MIL. DIST.

D-4, 19 WARSHIPS REPORTED IN DADJANGAS AND BUAYAN
(ALL FROM PAGE) SARANGANI BAY.

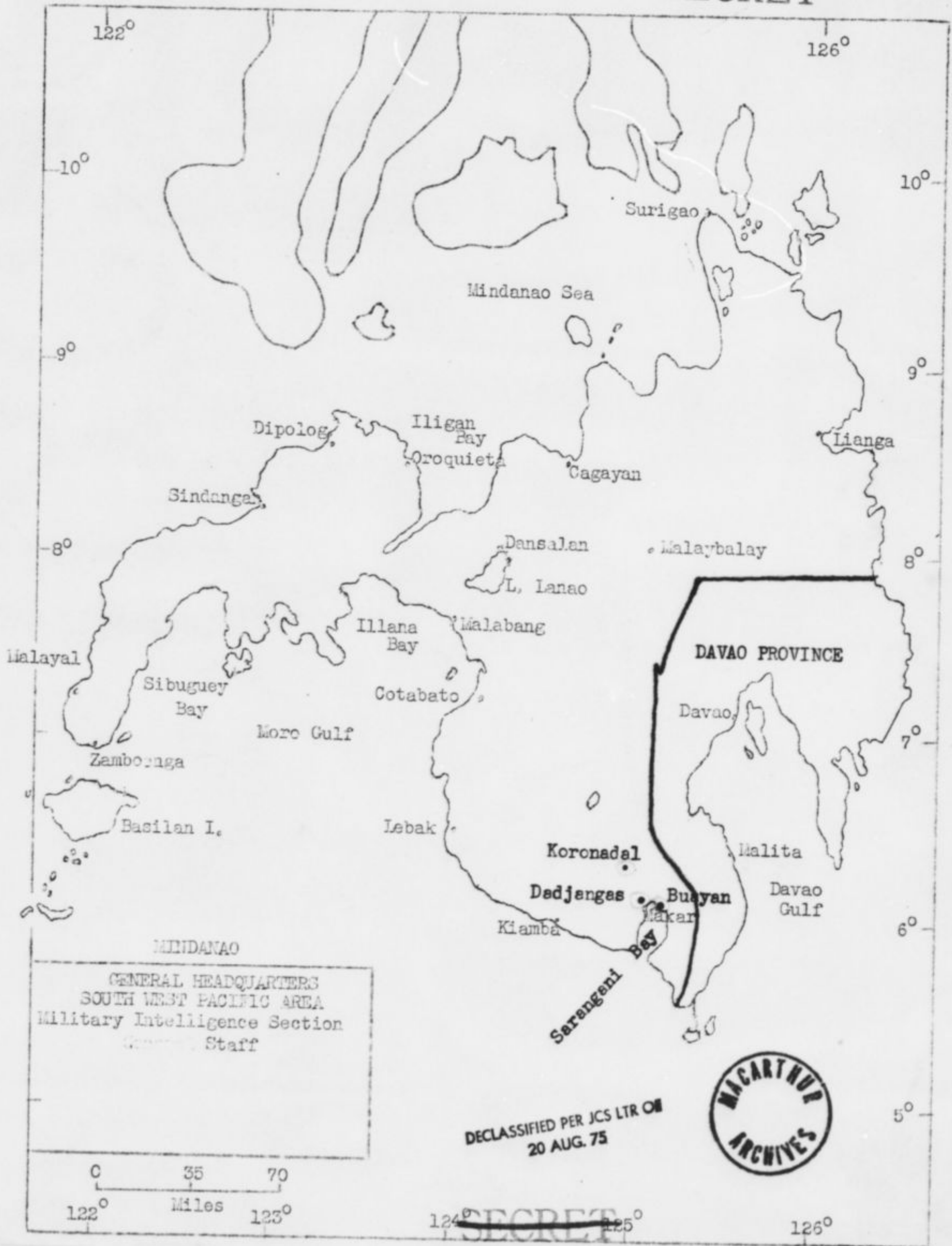
B-2, THREE OR FOUR SMALL SHIPS LOADED COTTON AT
FORMER LAST WEEK (POSSIBLE SUCCESS WITH COTTON IN
KORONADAL VALLEY, COTABATO, CLIMATE IS MUCH LIKE EAST
TEXAS DURING DRY SEASON, SANDY SOIL).

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Date: 23 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1712

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: *W* G-2

Message No. 143 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re confidential agent of LAUREL.

Comment: Enclosure of carbine bullet may have been intended as an offer of proof that we were landing supplies. Note that we delivered carbines and ammunition to NEGROS on 10 February. Full report will be of interest.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 143 22 APRIL

ARCADIO CARANDANG SHOT IN SIBUYAN WHEN HE FIRED ON
AGENT. PAPERS ON HIS BODY SHOWED THAT HE WAS PERSONAL
BODYGUARD AND CONFIDENTIAL AGENT OF LAUREL, WAS PROCEED-
ING TO MANILA FROM BACOLOD. AMONG PAPERS WAS REPORT OF
SENIOR INSPECTOR OF NEGROS INCLOSING CARBINE BULLET.
DECEASED IS FORMER MAJOR CONSTABULARY PER HIS PAPERS.

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Date: 23 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1711

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^W G-2

Message No. 138 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy VISAYAN Command.

Comment: Of General KONO, CUSHING said in his msg nr 13:

"GENERAL KONO, OF CEBU, IS AMERICAN EDUCATED AND LIBERAL
MINDED IN HIS VIEWS"

Of Colonel WATANABE, attached report on atrocities in PANAY, prepared by
Major TOMAS D. CASTRO, Chief, Office Civil Affairs on 31 January 1944
discloses activities with which he is charged.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

C-2: Copy to W.D.

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22 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 138 22 APRIL

HIGH PUPPET OFFICIAL OF ILOILO REPORTS THAT
GENERAL DONO COMMANDS VISAYAS WITH HEADQUARTERS IN CEBU.
ALSO THAT HIS STAFF CHIEF IS COLONEL WATANABE. BOTH
OFFICERS WERE HERE LAST YEAR TO CONDUCT MOPPING UP OPERA-
TIONS.

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ENEMY ATROCITIES IN 6th M.D. (PANAY)

The enemy atrocious campaign commenced in the South on July 8, 1943. The following night, Lt. CAJAYON and Family, who were living a little more than a kilometer from the town of LEON, were surprised while sleeping. The Officer was shot to death while all the members of the family were butchered. Mr. SEVERO CAJILIG of the same town was also killed together with his family for refusing to accept the post of a Puppet Mayor of this town. Thirteen victims found in Leon School grounds were without heads; some had their limbs missing; others had their eyes extracted, nose and ears cut off. The torsos were so badly mutilated, that brothers and relatives could not even identify them. About the same week in the barrios of BAGONGBONG and BUENAVISTA, same town, two hundred innocent civilians were massacred. Some of these unfortunates were bayoneted mercilessly while others were tied and thrown into burning houses. Here babies were seen torn from their mothers and hurled into the blazing inferno. The barrio of NAPNAPAN, TIGBAUAN, was one night surprised by the enemy believing that Army soldiers were bivouacked in the locality. Finding no Army men, 120 civilians were either machine-gunned or bayoneted. The campaign was continued in the Island of GUIMARAS in the month of September where approximately 2,000 fell victim to his atrocious tactic of subjugation. In the municipality of BUENAVISTA, more than 150 innocent civilians were lined up at one time and machine-gunned for failure of a certain Army Officer to give himself up. In this municipality alone, no less than 400 died in similar way. The enemy left this Island and proceeded to the northern towns of Iloilo. In this area the most cruel and inhuman group of enemy campaigners in PANAY was led by Colonel WATANABE, assisted by Captain ONO, Captain OCHOKA and Captain MUCHOSAKE. The strength was 500 Infantry armed with the usual infantry weapons plus bolos for execution. No living creatures, man or beast, including dogs or carabaos were spared. No distinction between soldiers and civilians, man or woman, old or young was respected. All that live were killed. In its wake lay scenes of terror, inhuman torture, raping of women, vandalism, mass murders and wanton destruction of properties and the most inhuman crimes imaginable. Here Captain M. YAP, his wife and three children were butchered and left agonizing for hours until death. Here too was reported the tragic end by hanging of the whole family of Captain JUAN BORRA, formerly Iloilo Assemblyman. Here also was reported the brutal act of opening a pregnant woman's womb, Mrs. ARAO and her sucking baby were found headless here too.

In the municipality of AJUY alone, no less than 500 civilians were butchered; SARA, another 500; BTAC VIEJO, about the same number; BALASAN, 48; ESTANCIA, 27. No less than 2,000 non-combatants were sacrificed in this area. The campaign continued to ROMBLON and then switched to the Province of CAPIZ. In those two places similar atrocities were perpetuated on at least 6,000 civilians. In the town of LIBACAO, CAPIZ, 400 civilians were surprised in evacuation placed and slaughtered. In TAPAZ of the same province, 100, among whom were 17 Americans including Dr. ROSE, former President of Central Philippine College, Iloilo, and his family, Dr. MEYER, and family, Dr. EARL ROUNDS and family, Mr. COBBEL and others; DUMERAO, 30.

Another terror tactic employed by the enemy in many towns in CAPIZ was the mirror and powder or strip-tease-tactic. Good looking young men and women were ordered to go naked, powder their organs before the mirror and face each other. He claims that this is the way to heaven. He used this terror tactic in many localities.

The enemy did not spare the central towns of Iloilo. In the barrio of LONGAE, PASSI, a Chinese Community of 83, no living soul was spared. In a certain barrio of the same town, around 150 civilians enjoying themselves in a marriage party, were all killed. In the different barrios in the town of JANIUAY, ILOILO, another 300 were brutally sacrificed. In all his major campaign of atrocities it is conservatively estimated that no less than 11,000 fell victim.

Small enemy patrols that frequented interior barrios of the occupied area were non-the-less cruel. Slapping, kicking, tying in the heat of the sun, burning parts of the body with lighted cigars and cigarettes were not uncommon. In many cases civilians suspected of having something to do with the Army were hanged, chopped or bayoneted.

The enemy has shown an utter disregard of all laws of warfare and decency and committed the most inhuman acts imaginable - mass murder and massacre of helpless civilians and innocent non-combatants in foluptuous wantonness irrespective of age or sex. Lt.-Col. WATANABE, one of the campaign leaders, has gained notoriety as the murderer of PANAY, killing any and all living creatures he sees, be they dogs, chickens carabaos or human beings. The Jap campaign in PANAY will go down in history as one of the most disgraceful for any civilized nation, whose horrors, indecency and inhumanities, stink to high heavens.

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Date: 23 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1710

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2 ^W

Message No. 142 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy dispositions in Northern LUZON.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 142 22 APRIL

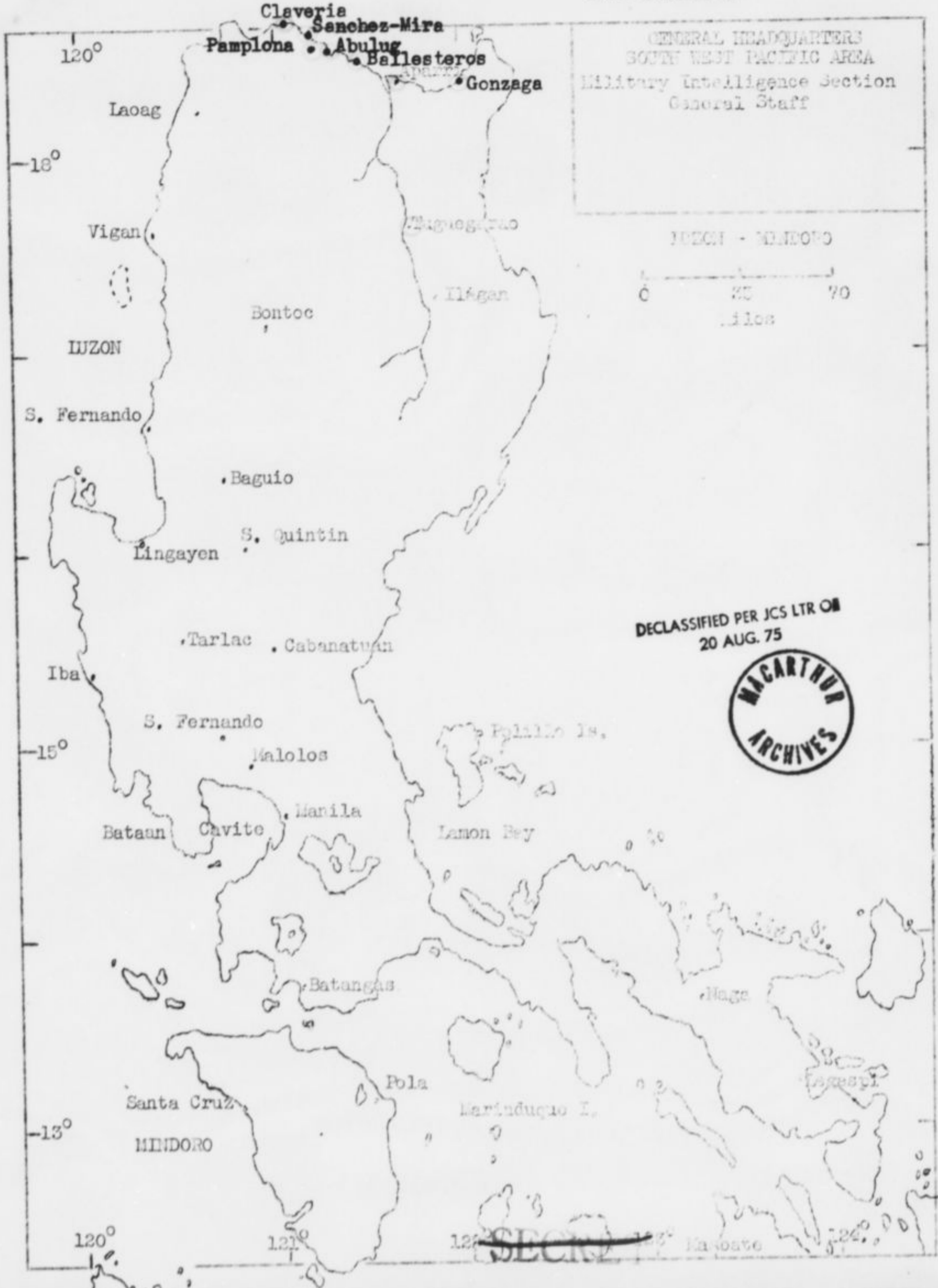
ABOUT 1500 JAPS CAGAYAN PROVINCE AS OF FEBRUARY,
MAIN BULK IN TUGUEGARAO. OTHER OCCUPIED TOWNS ARE
GONZAGA, APPARI, CLAVIRIA, PAMPLONA, ABULUG, BALLESTEROS
AND SANCHEZ-MIRA.

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Date: 23 April 1944

FRS Action Sheet

No. 1709

Coordination: ^WG-2

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 144 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy strength in MANILA and vicinity.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 144 22 APRIL

ESTIMATED 29,000 JAPS IN MANILA AND VICINITY
ABOUT FEBRUARY 21 OF WHICH 18000 WERE IN PORT AREA.
ONLY OTHER BIG GROUP WAS AT MCKINLEY OF ABOUT 1000,
REST SCATTERED THROUGHOUT CITY.

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Date: 23 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1708

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 140 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy maps.

Comment: Map in question should be brought out about end of May.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 140 22 APRIL

OUR MANILA AGENT TURNED IN JAP MAPS COPPED BY AIR CORPS OFFICER ABOUT 14 MARCH. MAP IN JAP CHARACTERS BUT HEAVY PENCIL LINES SHOW APPARENT AIR ROUTE FROM DAVAO TO MENADO, CELEBES, THEN TO MACASSAR. FROM MACASSAR, ONE LINE WEST TO SURABAYA AND OTHER TO A POINT IN NORTHERN COAST OF PORTUGUESE TIMOR. FROM THIS POINT RADIATES SEVEN MORE LINES GOING TO KENDARI, AMBOINA, A TOWN IN NORTH COAST OF SUMBA ISLAND, SURABAYA PASSING THROUGH FLORES, SEKAR IN NEW GUINEA AND TO THE BIGGEST ISLAND IN TIMOR LAUT (RPT LAOT) GROUP. MAP ALSO SHOWS IN PENCIL APPARENT SIZE OF RUNWAYS BUT CANNOT READ THEM.

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Date: 23 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1707

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2

Message No. 139 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy dispositions at BANATE, ILOILO Province.

Comment: See map attached for area indicated.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 139 22 APRIL

BANATE, ILOILO PROVINCE GARRISONED BY ABOUT 200 NIPS
SINCE 10 APRIL PART OF WHICH BELIEVED TO BE ENGINEERS.
UP TO 19 APRIL, NIPS OBSERVED MAPPING COAST LINE, WATER
PATROLS THAT AREA ACTIVE. EXCELLENT LANDING BEACH THERE.
LOCAL GARRISON HAS BEEN STRONGLY FORTIFIED. AGENTS HAVE
VERIFIED PRESENCE OF LAND MINES. ACTIVITY MAY BE RESULT
OF FALSE INFORMATION PLANTED BY OUR AGENTS TO EFFECT THAT
SUPPLIES ARE BEING RECEIVED THROUGH THAT AREA.

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Date: 23 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1706

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2 ^W

Message No. 137 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy dispositions and identifications in CAPIZ Province.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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22 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 137 22 APRIL

JAPS IN CAPIZ PROVINCE UNDER LT.-COL. TANABE WHO
COMMANDS APPROXIMATELY 900 AND WHOSE AREA INCLUDES SARA--
CARLES. FIRST NAME DOUBTFUL WITH ONE SOURCE REPORTING
IT AS YUGI AND ANOTHER AS COLOBE. RANK IDENTIFIED
THROUGH INSIGNIA. JAPS IN SOUTHERN ANTIQUE BELONG TO
SAME UNIT AS JAPS IN ILOILO (TOTSOKA OR TUZUKA UNIT).

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Date: 23 April 1944

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No. 1705

Coordination: ^WG-2

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 961 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy air activity.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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22 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 961 22 APRIL

AIR.

LIANGA, SURIGAO PROV., ONE TYPE 1 ARMY AND NAVY
MEDIUM BOMBER HIGH SOUTH AT 2250 APRIL 20.

APRIL 21: PANDAN, FOUR HEAVY BOMBERS AT MEDIUM
ALTITUDE AT 0000. MAASIN, PANAY, FIVE PLANES NORTHWEST
AT 0030.

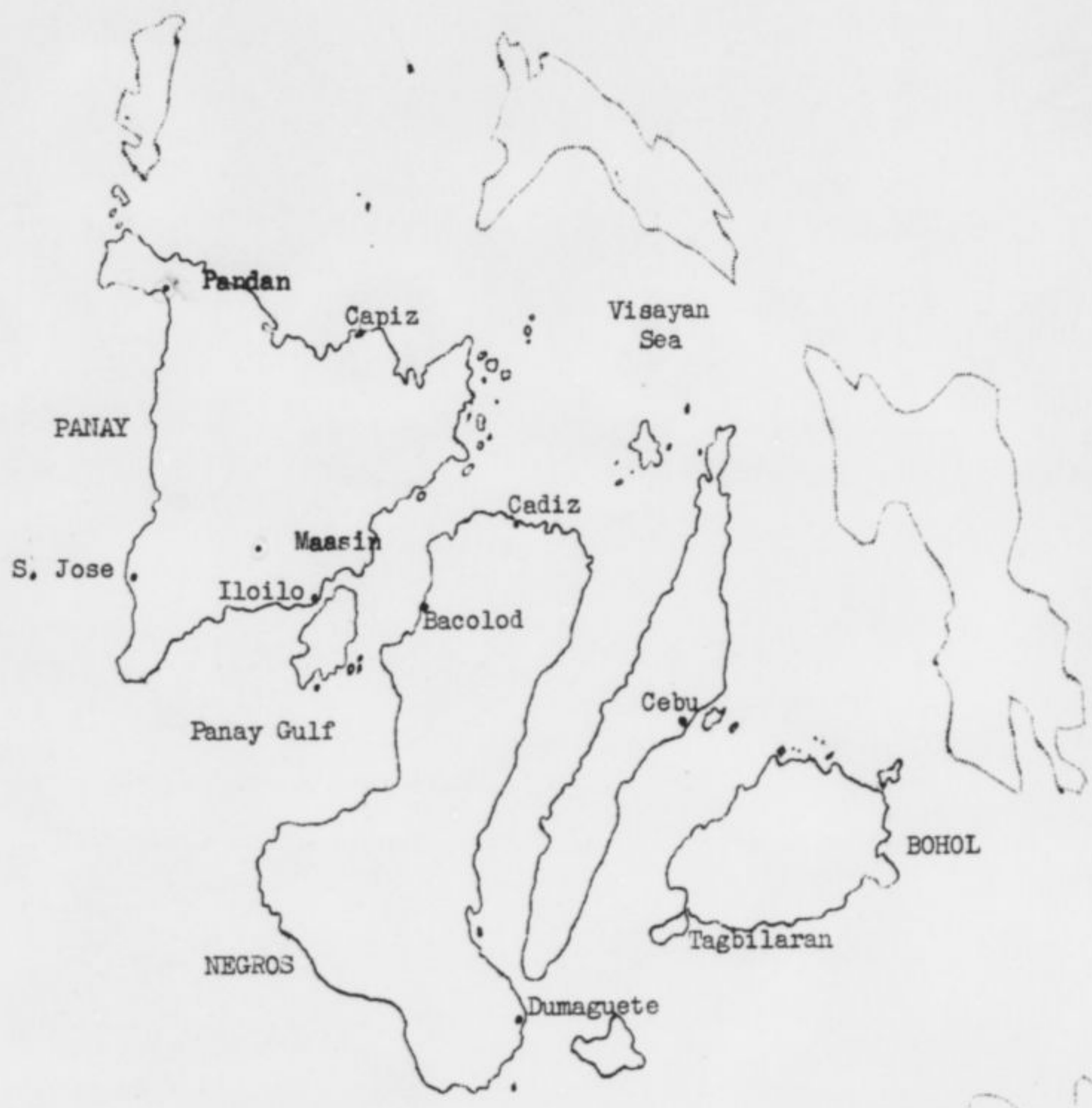
C-3, FROM BOWLER 23 PLANES ARRIVED AT MALABANG, LANA
PROV., ON APRIL 16.

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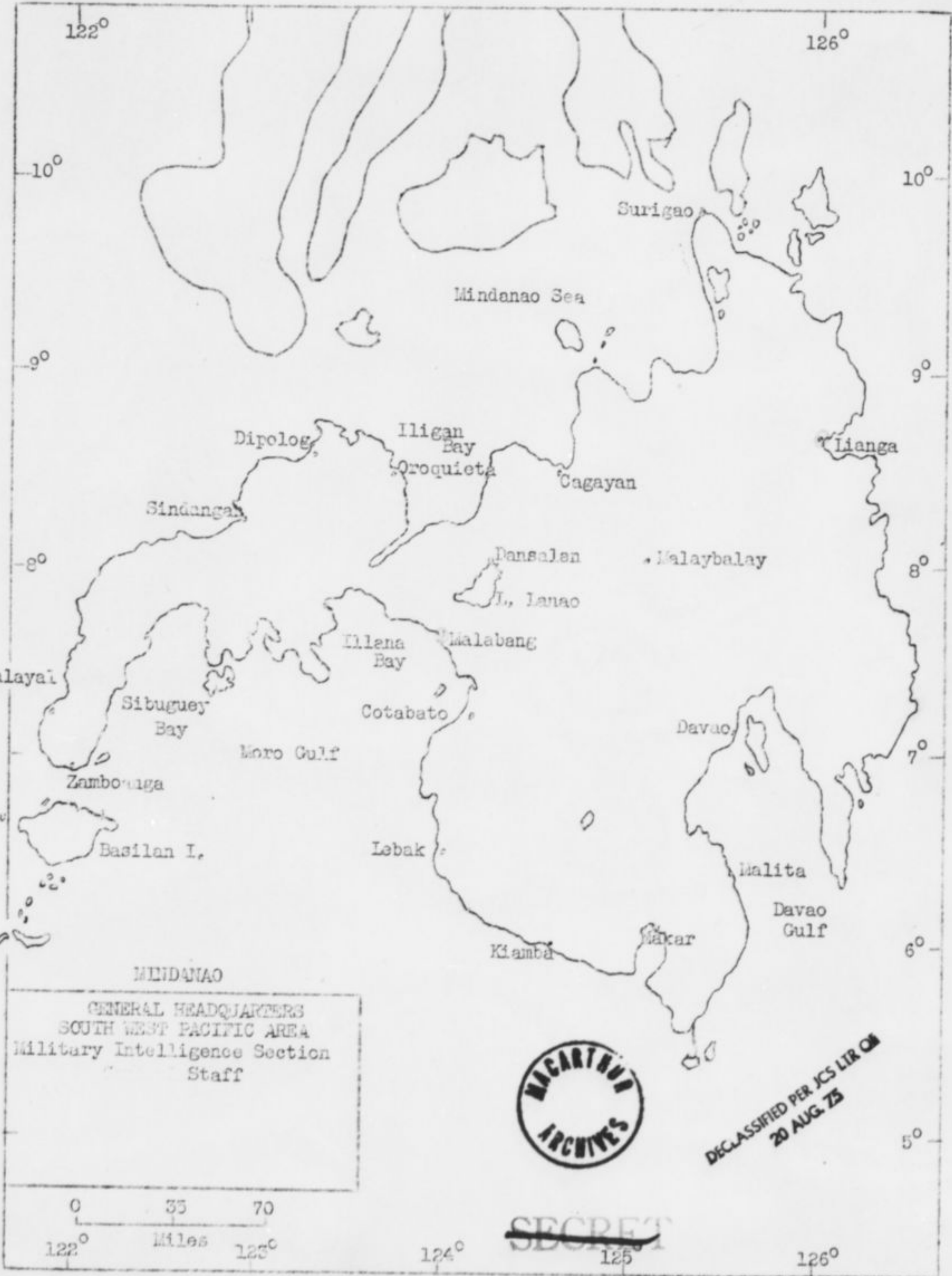
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Date: 23 April 1944

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No. 1704

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Coordination: ^WG-2

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 141 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy demand for declaration of War.

Comment: This message finds confirmation in Message No. 13 from CUSHING of 20 April.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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23 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : PERALTA

NR 141 22 APRIL

BELIEVED RELIABLE. STENOGRAPHIC NOTES TAKEN IN MEETING
BETWEEN LAUREL AND MURATA 15 FEBRUARY WHEREBY LAUREL REFERRED
DEMAND OF MURATA TO HAVE P.I. DECLARE WAR ON AMERICA TO COUNCIL
AND STATE. TENOR OF LAUREL ANSWERS ARE TO REFUSE DEMAND.

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Date: 23 April 1944

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No. 1703

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Coordination: G-2^w

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 966 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy dispositions and action in DAVAO Province.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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22 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 966 22 APRIL

LT. WILSON. B-1. ENEMY OCCUPIED MANAY, DAVAO PROV.,
COMING OVERLAND FROM MATI, DAVAO PROV., WITH MAIN ENCOUN-
TER AT MANAT BARRIO. ENEMY LOSSES HEAVY, FIVE OF OUR MEN
STILL MISSING. ABOUT 120 JAPS.

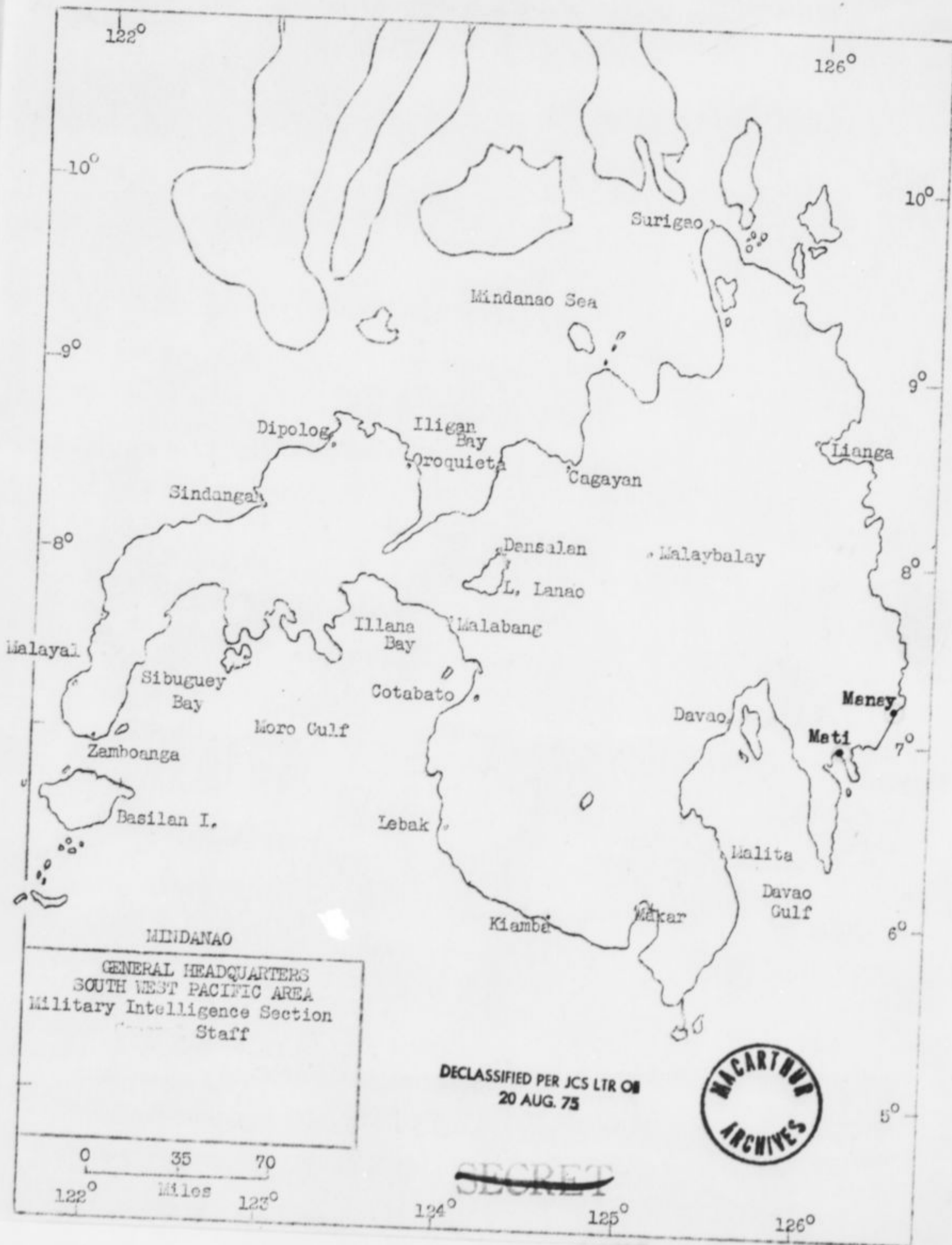
ABOUT 500 JAPS AT MATI NOW. NOT A FOOD RAID, ENEMY
THINKS OUR FORCE WILL OCCUPY EAST COAST.

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Date: 23 April 1944

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Coordination: G-2

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 965 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy dispositions in AGUSAN.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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22 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 965 22 APRIL

AGUSAN. APRIL 15: B-2. GARRISONS: RIZAL 60,
CARMEN 200, NASIPIT 100, BONBON, SEVEN KILOMETERS SOUTH-
WEST OF BUTUAN, 100. IN BUTUAN, 150 JAPS AND 37 BC.
ENEMY BROUGHT SOME FILIPINO CIVILIANS WITH THEM AS COOKS
AND BOYS, MOSTLY FROM LUZON OR CAGAYAN, MIS. OR. JAPS
HAVE BEEN STATIONED IN MANILA, PANAY AND CAGAYAN, MIS. OR.,
PREVIOUSLY. ABOUT ONE-FIFTH SPEAK SOME FILIPINO DIALECT.
REST ARE RAW RECRUITS.

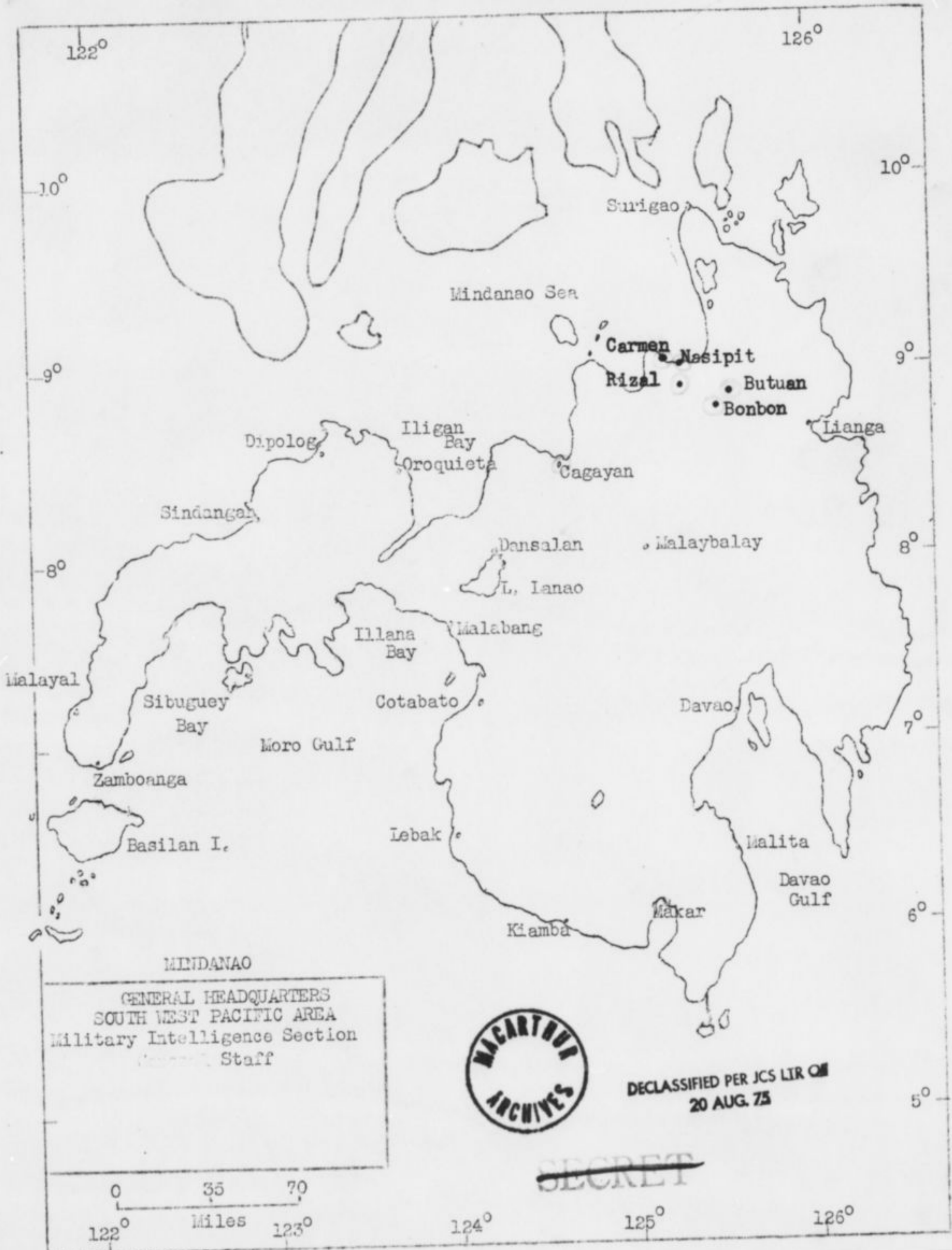
RIZAL AIRFIELD IS CLEAR. THREE DUMMY PLANES
CONSTRUCTED AND WIND SOCK FLYING BUT NO INDICATION OF
OPERATIONS.

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Date: 23 April 1944

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No. 1701

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Coordination: G-2 ^W

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 963 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy dispositions in LANAO.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 963 22 APRIL

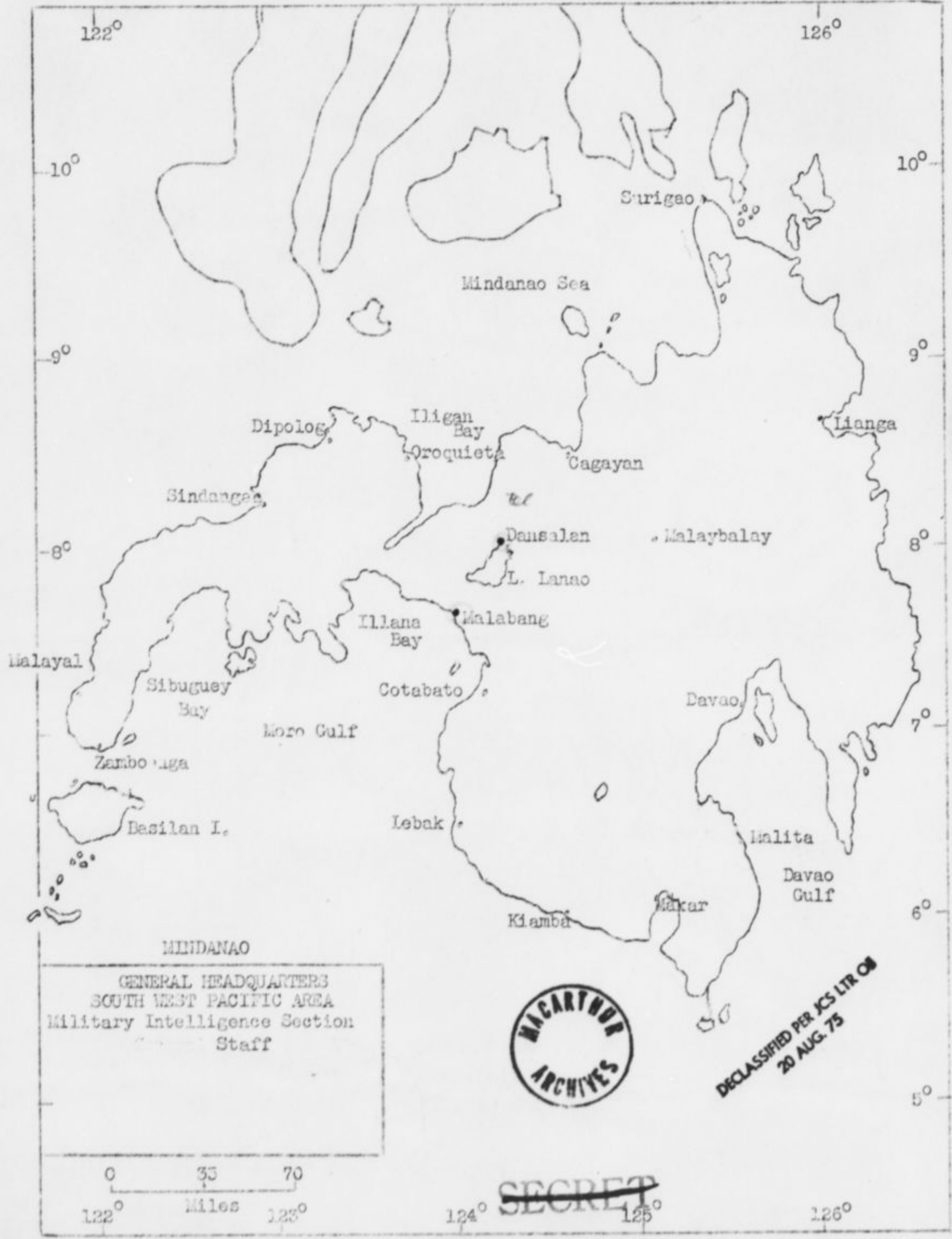
BOWLER. CALIBER OF AA GUNS AT DANSALAN, LANA O PROV.,
PROBABLY 75 MM. UNCONFIRMED, C-3, AT MALABANG, LANA O,
750 JAPS WHO ARRIVED UNARMED.

B-2, EIGHT BARRACKS AND STORE HOUSES BUILT AT NORTH
END OF FIELD IN AREA WHERE WE PROPOSED TO BUILD CANTONMENT.



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Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1698

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 956 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy air activity.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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21 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 956 21 APRIL

AIR: APRIL 20, LEBAK, MITSUBISHI TYPE O MARK 1 NAVY
FLOAT PLANE LOW AT 0630Z TO NORTH. GRINSTEAD, DURING
LAST THREE DAYS 21 ENEMY PLANES, MOSTLY MITSUBISHI
MEDIUMS BY SINGLES OR PAIRS, HAVE PASSED CAGAYAN, MIS. OR.,
GOING NORTH: MOST UNUSUAL. BOMBERS WHICH HIT
ESPERANZA, AGUSAN PROV., WERE TWO MITSUBISHI TYPE 1 ARMY
MEDIUM BOMBERS. SIXTEEN BOMBS LANDED HARMLESSLY ALONG
RIVER BANK.

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Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1696

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2

Message No. 959 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy air activity.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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21 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 959 21 APRIL

ADDED AIR.

See Fertig

APRIL 20, T A R, 10 HEAVIES SOUTH AT HIGH ALTI-
TUDE AT 0130Z. PAGE: ONE MEDIUM BOMBER HEADING TOWARD
BUAYAN, COTABATO PROV. ALMOST CONTINUOUS SOUND OF PLANES
HEARD FOR SEVERAL HOURS FROM BUAYAN, COTABATO PROV., AS
THOUGH WARMING UP OR REPAIRING ENGINES. CAGAYAN, MIS. OR.;
THROUGHOUT DAY BUT HIDDEN BY OVERCAST, PLANES HEARD
HEADING SOUTH AND EAST.

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Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1695

TO: Chief of Staff.

Message No. 133 from **PERALTA**.

Precis: In re reported mining of ILOILO PORT.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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21 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 133 21 APRIL

SEVERAL REPORTS THAT VICINITY OF ILOILO PORT IS
MINED. ABOUT 180 ENEMY CASUALTIES FROM APRIL 1 TO 15
INCLUDING 30 BC WE CAPTURED WITH THEIR RIFLES IN RAID
ON LEGANES.

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Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1694

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 958 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy gasoline storage.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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21 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 958 21 APRIL

THREE HUNDRED DRUMS GAS NOW STORED ALONG NORTH
EDGE OF SASA FIELD. MORE GASOLINE UNDER COCONUT TREES
BETWEEN KILOMETERS 8 AND 9, A-1.

D-4, SOME INCREASE IN ENEMY GARRISON AT KILOMETER
55 AND KILOMETER 90 ON NORTH ROAD.

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Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1693

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^W G-2

Message No. 940 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy air activity.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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19 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 940 19 APRIL

11 RED PURSUIT PLANES PASSED CAGAYAN ON 17 HEADING SOUTH. ALL RED WITH WHITE SKULL AND CROSS BONES BOTH SIDES (B-1) FUSELAGE AND UNDERSIDE EACH WING. APPEAR TO BE ARMY 97, NAKAJIMA.

FOUR PLANES AT LOURDES, MISAMIS ORIENTAL ARE NAKAJIMA 97 (ARMY) WITH SPLOTCHED GREY, BLUE, BLACK AND GREEN CAMOUFLAGE (THESE PLANES USED TO SUPPORT AGUSAN ATTACK).

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Report No. 2071

Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1691

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 931 from FERTIG

Precis: In re intercepted messages.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

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18 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG
NR 931 17 APRIL

INTERCEPTS. ROXAS NAMED TO HEAD BIBA (FORMER
NARIC AND CHARGED WITH PROCUREMENT AND SALE OF RICE TO CIVILIANS).

LAUREL AGREED THAT FILS WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO
TAKE RICE FROM CAGAYAN VALLEY, JAP ARMY TO GET ENTIRE SUPPLY.
NOW JAPS ARE ALSO TAKING RICE FROM ALL OTHER AREAS AND BIBA
HAS ALMOST NONE.

LAUREL SENT EMOTIONAL APPEAL TO CONVENTION OF
GOVERNORS IN CEBU TO SUPPORT HIS GOVT.

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Date: 22 April 1944

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No. 1690

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2 ^W

Message No. 928 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy identifications - action against LIANGA.

Comment: Enemy interest in LIANGA will have to be closely watched. Apparently results from action of Banca "SO WHAT".

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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18 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG
NR 928 17 APRIL

C THREE. SURIGAO PROV. OCCUPATIONAL TROOPS FROM
KYOTO WHILE MOBILE UNIT IS FROM HOKAIDO ISLAND. SURIGAO PROV.
GARRISON ABOUT 1000.

RUMOR THAT MAJ GEN HARADA IS WITH MOBILE GROUP
IN AGUSAN.

DESTROYER SHELLED LIANGA YESTERDAY AT 0000/Z
WITH CANNON AND MG FIRE.

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Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1689

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 930 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re recovery of enemy documents.

Comment: Immediate bombing of wrecked plane may suggest value of documents recovered.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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18 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG
NR 930 17 APRIL

DELAYED REPORT ON PLANE CRASHED AT BALITON COTABATO PROV., ON TWO FEB: ALL MAPS DOCUMENTS RECOVERED SENT TO CORPS HEADQUARTERS. NO GUNS OR AMMO RECOVERED AS PLANE CRASHED NEAR CROWD MIXED MOROS AND CHRISTIANS WHO RUSHED TO MURDER AND LOOT. PAGE NOTIFIED AT 1400/Z, DISPATCHING PATROL AT ONCE. THEY REACHED THERE AFTER DARK. AT DAWN ANOTHER PLANE BOMBED AND SET WRECK ON FIRE. AT 0800/Z GUNBOAT SHELLS BALITON AND LANDED TROOPS WHILE TWO PLANES STRAFFED AREA.

M B N REPORTS B TWO: ALL CREW MEMBERS OF PLANE CRASH IN SURIGAO PROV. HAVE NOW BEEN KILLED. ENEMY HAVE NOT LOCATED WRECK.

LAURETA REPORTS: OUTPOST NEAR SAUG DAVAO PROV. WAS ATTACKED ON NINE APRIL, ONE EM KILLED. ENEMY CASUALTIES UNDETERMINED.

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Report No. 2068

Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1688

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 123 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy strength in MASBATE.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised

Action recommended:

None.

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17 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 123 17 APRIL

TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN JAPS, 128 BC IN
MASBATE AS OF APRIL 1. NO SIGNIFICANT LAND ACTIVITY
THEREAT.

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Report No. 2067

Date: 22 April 1944

FRS Action Sheet

No. 1687

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 119 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy strength in MARINDUQUE.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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17 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 119 17 APRIL

ABOUT 250 JAPS AND 75 BC IN MARINDUQUE AS OF
MARCH 1. AREA QUIET.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2066

Date: 22 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1686

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2

Message No. 120 from PERALTA.

Precis: In re enemy horse artillery in ILOILO.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None

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17 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : PERALTA

NR 120 17 APRIL

DETACHMENT OF HORSE ARTILLERY OF ABOUT 60 HORSES
AT ILOILO CITY. IDENTIFIED THROUGH CONVENTIONAL SIGN
DISPLAYED, IDENTICAL WITH SIGN IN TECHNICAL MANUAL YOU
SENT. ANOTHER UNIT IN ILOILO CITY IS AN AERIAL OBSER-
VATION POST PER ITS CONVENTIONAL SIGN.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2065

Date: 22 April 44

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1685

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 925 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy dispositions in DAVAO area.

Comment: None.

Action Taken:

None.

Action recommended:

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17 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 925 17 APRIL

JOHNSON REPORTS ON DAVAO PROVINCE. FUEL DEPOSITS IN COURT AND JAIL IN CITY, BETWEEN KILOMETERS 10 AND 11 NORTH ROAD UNDER TREES ON INLAND SIDE OF ROAD. ALONG BEACH FROM SANTA ANA TO SASA. BULK FUEL OIL TANK AT SASA AND ANOTHER NEW ONE 500 METERS NORTH. ALL CONFIRMED.

CONFIRMED AMMUNITION DEPOSITS. WAREHOUSE AT FOOT OF FURAKAWA WHARF NEAR DALIAO. BOMB DUMPS SOUTHEAST OF SASA FIELD MIDWAY BETWEEN ROAD AND AMMUNITION STORES IN INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER WAREHOUSE IN SASA.

B-2. GUN EMPLACEMENTS. SEVERAL ALONG BEACH FROM SANTA ANA TO SASA. THREE HEAVY GUNS ON DUMALOG POINT AND TWO ON SOUTH END OF TALIKUD ISLAND. ONE HEAVY MOBILE GUN IN YOSHIDA PARK. ALL OF APRIL 10.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2064

Date: 22 April 44

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1684

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^W G-2

Message No. 14 from CUSHING.

Precis: In re plane crash in CEBU.

Comment: This is the plane reportedly from PALAU. Note that it is now identified as a flying boat.

Action taken:

I have signaled instructions that documents be sent to southern NEGROS for dispatch here at first opportunity.

Action recommended:

None.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : CUSHING
NR 14 17 APRIL

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OF FOUR ENGINED FLYING BOAT THAT CRASHED 400 METERS OFF SAN FERNANDO COAST, SEVEN DEAD BODIES WERE RECOVERED BY ENEMY AND TWO LIVE JAPS WERE SENT IMMEDIATELY TO TINAAN BY PUPPETS. THESE TWO ARE PROBABLY SOURCE OF INFORMATION WHICH STARTED SEARCHING PARTY HEADED BY LT. COL. SEITI OHNISI, COMMANDER OF OHNISI BUTAI (BATTALION); ILL-FAMED FOR ITS BRUTALITY.

WE ARE EXPECTING EFFORTS TO RECOVER ARTICLES AND PIECES FROM WRECKAGE, HOWEVER, EYEWITNESS REPORT STATES PLANE CAUGHT FIRE AND SUNK AFTER 30 MINUTES WITH SEVERAL MINOR EXPLOSIONS AFTER THE CRASH, JAP PATROL BOAT WAS ON THE SCENE SHORTLY AFTER FIRE WAS EXTINGUISHED.

TOTAL NUMBER PASSENGERS AND CREW WERE 27.

WE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL FOR THE BROADCASTS ON REPRISAL ON ATROCITIES AND WOULD APPRECIATE IT HIGHLY IF CONTINUED. JAPS LAST OPERATIONS FOR RECOVERY OF TEN PRISONERS OF APRIL 3 TO 13 THEY KILLED AS REPORTED TO DATE 47 CIVILIANS FROM 2 1/2 TO 80 YEARS OLD, MALTREATING MANY OTHERS INCLUDING SLASHING OPEN PREGNANT WOMEN'S STOMACHS. REPEAT WE WOULD HIGHLY APPRECIATE CONTINUED BROADCASTS ON REPRISAL.

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

23 April 1944

TO:	FOR:
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Dep. Chief of Staff _____	Information _____
G-1 _____	Initials _____
G-2 _____	Issue Orders _____
G-3 _____	Rec 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 _____	_____
A.I.B. _____	_____
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Re Cushing 13:

Concur with P R S.



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AIB Info.
Report No. 2063

Date: 21 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1683

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 13 from CUSHING

Precis: In re political situation - enemy dispositions in CEBU.

Comment: The information in this report comes from Paulino GULLAS, puppet Commissioner for the VISAYAS. Its interest lies not so much in the information itself (which should be evaluated with extreme caution) but in the source of the information. In it is disclosed the pattern of puppet reaction to the progress of the Allied counter-offensive, which pattern has long been predictable.

By his act in giving this information to CUSHING, GULLAS has placed service to the Allied cause of record - a record that will serve as a defensive barrier to post war charges of treason. One of the leading puppet officials in the LAUREL government, could he effect his evacuation to this area, GULLAS would not only solidify that defense but avoid the retribution that will follow the start of counter-offensive operations in the Philippine area, when open season is declared by loyal Filipinos upon pro-Jap puppet officials.

That GULLAS should desire to be taken out of the Philippines at this time, while occupying so powerful and influential a position under the LAUREL government, significantly emphasizes the current view in puppet circles of the military situation and the fact that little encouragement is held out by the enemy for survival of the "Republic" under his protection.

The better to evaluate Paulino GULLAS and the position he is now taking, I am attaching hereto a copy of an address he delivered in ILOILO on 19 January 1944. The address is a masterpiece of inconsequential and noncommittal verbosity - in its careful avoidance of pro-Japanism or anti-guerillaism, although in it complete loyalty is disclosed to the LAUREL government. In describing the powers and authority of the office of Commissioner, GULLAS stated:

"Before I come to a conclusion, let me outline to you the powers and duties of my office. The Philippines is divided into three districts - LUZON, VISAYAS, and MINDANAO. LUZON is under the President of the Republic; VISAYAS is under the Commissioner for the VISAYAS and MINDANAO is under the Commissioner for MINDANAO and SULU. The Commissioner shall exercise general supervision



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and administrative control over the district in which he is assigned and to perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President of the Republic of the Philippines."

Of the post of Commissioner for the VISAYAS, ABCEDE wired in his message number 79 of 21 January:

"NEW LAW AUTHORIZES PUPPET PRESIDENT LAUREL TO APPOINT VICE MINISTERS FOR VISAYAS AND MINDANAO WILL FULL POWERS OF PRESIDENT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE AREAS. VISAYAS CANDIDATES ARE ILDEFONSO COSCOLLUELA, JOSE LOCSIN, GIL MONTILLA AND LEON GUINTO. GOV. MONTELIBANO REPORTS HE CAN HAVE UNDERSTANDING WITH COSCOLLUELA OR LOCSIN BUT NEITHER WILL ACCEPT POST WITHOUT OKAY FROM PRES. QUEZON OR FROM THAT HEADQUARTERS. DECISION REQUESTED"

It will be observed that Paulino GULLAS, already appointed at the time the above message was dispatched, was not mentioned therein as a possible candidate for the office.

I recommend definitely against the evacuation of GULLAS to this area. Any other course would be to invite the eventual petition of all puppet officials from LAUREL, VARGAS, ACQUINO on down, for the security of that privilege before this thing is over.

Action taken:

None.

Action recommended:

Advise CUSHING that the evacuation of GULLAS is not favorably considered.

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My dear Whitney

I have just read your comments re Message 13 from Cushing, on the Gullas case. I find your analysis and comments unusually brilliant and highly informative. This is a conspicuous example. It leads me to random thoughts: The line of demarcation between political action and military action, in our situation, is hard to draw; they are often corollaries. The curious interplay, in these elements, within quasi military districts and their commanders, is equally noticeable.

Your analysis are pure intelligence, in the classical sense; hence, willy-nilly our collaboration is indispensable. As this thing advances into the Philippines, the adjustment of activities back to staff section is inescapable; much of your activities will naturally and logically fall into this section; there will always be a field within the enemy lines to be handled by someone. The head of PRS is the logical agent. I should be entirely satisfied to continue or develop such association. Why not now. We must revise the so called intelligence plan; it is in fact primarily a radio communications plan. I invite your collaboration, with an eye on the future, on December.

Right now, the shift from speculative to tactical is recognizable; Message 947 on "Johnson" is a clear-cut case. We had knowledge of the impending concentration through special info. This is confirmation. See my comment on PRS Action sheet. Now there were interesting possibilities, had real collaboration been in effect: Knowing this concentration, we might have cautiously called on Johnson to prepare? Next: Coverage in the Davao Gulf area becomes more important than ever. We must at once stop bickering, or permit assistants to bridle, in order to enter into an association to exploit a rapidly ripening strategical-tactical situation, that forcibly will call for staff intervention; that being the case, I suggest that we join forces, thought, planning, execution; I would go as far as saying that a portion of my trained Ground, Air, and Navy personnel (now constituting a P.I. sub-section) could, with profit, have affiliated themselves with PRS, on any sensible basis, to digest and handle the incoming info? In that case, PRS would have become a composite body, in which Intel (G-2), Supply (G-4) and Training (G-3) would have been represented internally? Ultimately, such a conception would have tended to its independence per se, rather than within AIB? At any rate - the atmosphere and the tempo of activity are changing and we ought to conform and do something about it.

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Received
28 April
4:30 PM

To: PRS

Apr: 23, 1944

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20 APRIL, 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : CUSHING

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LAUREL PROTESTING AGAINST JAPS' INCESSANT ORDERS FOR MORE CO-OPERATION. HE HAS REFUSED TO DECLARE WAR, O.K. CONSCRIPT TWO MILLION SOLDIERS THREE TIMES TO TOJO. PRESENT AT ONE CONFERENCE WERE BOSE OF INDIA AND BAWMAUNG OF BURMA. LAUREL REASONED THAT IF HE DELCARES WAR, GUERRILLISTAS WILL GO AGAINST THE REPUBLIC. LAUREL IS SOLD ON HIS REPUBLIC AND IS WILLING TO DIE FOR IT. AQUINO IS PRO-JAP AND WILL REPLACE LAUREL SHOULD ANYTHING HAPPEN. DELGADO AND LAPUT PRO-JAP, AND IF GULLAS LEAVES, DELAGADO WILL REPLACE HIM. HOWEVER, GULLAS WILL GO SOUTH IF I CAN TAKE CARE OF HIS FAMILY. URGENT: PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU WANT COMMISSIONER ?
GULLAS.

NINETY PERCENT CEBU PUPPETS READY TO REVOLT UPON SIGHT OF FIRST AMERICAN PLANE. IN CONFERENCE WITH CEBU PUPPETS, GENERAL KONO STATED: "GENTLEMEN, YOU CANNOT EXPECT US TO FENCE THE SKY IN ORDER TO PREVENT AMERICAN PLANES FROM COMING INTO THE PHILIPPINES. NEITHER CAN WE MAKE A CORRAL AROUND THE OCEAN TO PREVENT AMERICAN SHIPS FROM APPROACHING THE P.I."

PRESENT CEBU DEFENSES FROM NORTH YATI TO LILOAN, FROM SOUTH PUNDANTANAGA, EAST TO COASTAL DEFENSES AND WEST NOT

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CUSHING NR 13 (PAGE TWO)

YET DEFINED. MACTAN AIRFIELD BEING RUSHED SECRETLY, AS IT IS BELIEVED YOU ARE NOT AWARE OF THIS LOCATION.

TOJO IN SECRET MESSAGE TO RANKING GENERALS:

"WE ARE RESIGNED TO OUR FATE. THE ENEMY IS FAST APPROACHING OUR HOMELAND."

GENERAL KONO, OF CEBU, IS AMERICAN EDUCATED AND LIBERAL MINDED IN HIS VIEWS.

WE ARE AT PRESENT STRESSING ON EXCHANGE PRISONERS OF WAR. HOWEVER, IF COMMON JAP SOLDIERS DESIRED BY YOU, PLEASE ADVISE. CONDITIONS ARE SUCH THAT THEY CAN BE HAD ALIVE IN PLACES DESIGNATED BY YOU.

JAPAN IS NOT EXPECTED TO BE PREPARED FOR PHILIPPINE DEFENSE WITHIN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. PRESENT STRENGTH CEBU PROVINCE, ALL BRANCHES SERVICES INCLUDED, IS FIVE THOUSAND, AS OF 10TH APRIL.

ABOVE INFO FROM GULLAS.

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SPEECH OF COMMISSIONER GULLAS OF THE
VISAYAS ON JANUARY 19, 1944, AT THE SESSION
HALL OF THE PROVINCIAL BUILDING
OF ILOILO

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Governor and my colleague Caram,
Mr. Justice Barrios, Major Tando,
Officers of the Administration,
Ladies and Gentlemen:

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As I was coming here, I was reading an old issue of a newspaper in the hotel and I am going to relate to you something which I found to be very illuminating in connection with my present job.

It was a Filipino who was a member of the first bunch of Filipino pensionados that was sent to America way back in 1905 or 1906. His name was "Sapollo". He got this name because he tried to cover his black skin with sapollo in order to mingle with American girls as he loved them very much. In the class, he was known to be witty. In one occasion, the class was asked to give the meaning of the word, indisposition. Sapollo raised his right hand and answered, "when I fight, I fight in this position". And from that moment, Sapollo became the most prominent in the class.

Well, my friends, I have plenty of fight in my position. I also know that the Governor and all the municipal Mayors have plenty of fight in their hands dealing with the recalcitrant elements. There are enemies within and enemies without. The mission of the Governor and the mayors now is much difficult than before. The mission of the peace officer is also much difficult than before. Before he has to deal with men, who used bolos and "balisong", but now, he has to account with men, sometimes better armed than themselves, armed with machine guns, automatic rifles and other deadly weapons.

You know, in January 1st, in Cebu, when the people was celebrating happily the New Year, at about two o'clock in the morning, the City was attacked from three points, resulting in five killed and five wounded. The casualties included two members of the Philippine Constabulary and worst of it was that one of the members was to be married on that same day. The Cebu Constabulary Academy was also riddled with bullets. In the following morning when we made our investigation, we found that the two flags - the Filipino and the Japanese flags that were waving in front of the Academy were also riddled with bullets. The Japanese flag got only two holes on it and the Philippine flag got seven holes. Such is the tragedy of the Filipinos fighting against the Filipinos.

It is not enough that we have suffered in the war. Let us invite our brothers who are still hiding to come to the lowlands and cooperate with us in this gigantic task of the rebuilding of the New Philippines. If they cannot go down let us advise them to lay low and not to molest the innocent civilians nor the constabulary soldiers. For what is our Independence worth, if we have no peace? It is our duty to our province as well as to our country to establish peace and order for our happiness and for the happiness of our children and our children's children.

My dear friends, yesterday, I was present at a conference with the high commanding officer of the Japanese and I am going to say this to you in all conferences because it is a typical example of the predicament in which the Governor or the mayor finds himself at any moment. The Governor wanted to go outside of the City of Iloilo in order to take me and other members of the

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party for inspection purposes. Unfortunately the manager of the alcohol station refused to give him the necessary alcohol. He laid his case before the Japanese Officer. I did not know what has transpired within that short period but I have seen the courage of your Governor. If there is a governor who has the courage and who has that conviction, that man is no other than your Provincial Governor, Fermin G. Caram: (Applause)

Our problem now, my friends, is to conserve what is ours and the power that is ours. Of course, we realize that it is war time. We have to subject ourselves to the exigences of the moment. But I should like to ask you to 'hold high that brow serene'.

I have heard and seen people, in public conferences and in private meetings who do nothing else but present themselves to the Japanese with subservient attitude. They will respect us if we know how to uphold our dignity. For instance, my friends, when I went to Manila to secure my revolver's license, I had to go to the Japanese for it. Of course the possession of a military arm, requires that we should submit ourselves to military authorities. But I tell you my friends that before I left the City of Cebu for Iloilo, I gave an order to the Constabulary Commander at Cebu to issue the licenses for firearms. I have given this order to the constabulary commander at Cebu and I am giving the same order to the Constabulary Commander at Iloilo to issue licenses for firearms.

My dear friends, I can assure you that so long as we respect the Japanese and so long as we do not trouble them, they will also respect and will not trouble us. We need not adopt hostile and belligerent attitude. We know we are weak, but there is strength in weakness as there is strength in a woman. Hold high that brow serene! We are free and independent! We are the Republic of the Philippines!

Last night, I was told by a relative that maybe our independence is not real, because we have a limited power as an independent nation; I told him, for Heaven's sake, great improvements have happened for the last three months that we have had our independence. As the President said, our country is only three months old and a three month's baby is but a tiny piece of a bundle of humanity. What can a three month's baby do? His business is only to urinate and make unnecessary cries to bit the band. But in three month's time, we have done something - the President has done something.

Among the first measures we have approved was an appropriation of two million pesos for relief and rehabilitation purposes. It is not very much, but we want to relieve the people. Many of our people have suffered as a result of this war.

When I first came to Iloilo, I asked the Governor to please take me around the City. I cannot even remember the city boundary due to the extent of damage to which it has suffered. Probably, your city has suffered as much as that of the Cebu City of Iloilo, but it is for us now to prepare the ground for the days to come. May God in his Kingdom give us life so that we can live up to the day of the declaration of peace! Out of the ashes, we can still rebuild a bigger and more beautiful Cebu and Iloilo, the pride of the Cebuanos and the Ilongos.

I was also informed that very soon, there will be a mopping operation up in the mountains of Panay which means that more civilians will be killed - more Filipinos will be killed. My dear friends, I am nobody. I cannot predict

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what is going to happen. It is for us to come to understanding with the Japanese.

In Cebu, we have a very serious food problem. You can find not a single rice grain in Cebu. A pound of beef in Cebu now costs ₱8.00. The chief food of the people in Cebu is corn, but you know how poor is the Province of Cebu. We have always been dependent from Mindanao and from Java. You can imagine how hard to transport food from those places and you can also imagine the distress of your brothers in Cebu. When you eat in a restaurant or a parlor, you will find people outside the eating place with a can in their hands hoping that there will be some remnants from your table which they could grab. Now, we do not have any more corn. That is why I have come to ask the generosity of the Governor of Iloilo to help me. I have also here a telegram from Bohol and Negros Oriental asking for food. I sent a message to the Food Administrator which I dictated this morning and also to His Excellency, the President. I tell you my friends, that yours is an island of paradise. We have a terrible food shortage. So my friends, I come here also to intensify the food production campaign as we cannot tell what will happen next. Manila, too, is facing a shortage of food. What will happen if there is a shortage of food? There will be a food riot. When the children cry for food when there is no food, how ugly would it be. There will be disturbance throughout which would lead to the overthrowing of an organized government.

In Cebu, I have already issued the following order:

1. No member of the Neighborhood association can get any food ration unless he presents a certificate that he is engaged in food production campaign.
2. No employee can get his salary unless he shows the same certificate.
3. Every student, from fourth grade up to higher grades must devote at least one-half of their time in food production.
4. No payment of vouchers by the Government to any individual unless he shows the same certificate.
5. No license of any kind, repair of buildings, automobiles, including marriage license can be signed unless the interested party can show the same certificate.

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We have now declared two meatless days in Cebu - Wednesday and Friday, in order to conserve the meat supply to prevent the slaughtering of cows and carabaos which may be fit to work. I thought that you have promulgated the same orders, but I found out that the people here are contented. When we went to Guimbal, I was surprised to see that plenty of palay is being dried in nearly all sides of the road.

Well, my friends. I am almost through with my remarks, but before closing, I wish to inform you that the President is observing a very simple and frugal life. When the President had just been inaugurated into office, he was approached, right away by the palace keeper of Malacanang and was told that she needed ten thousand pesos so that she can properly equip the palace with beautiful curtains. The President replied: "What, ten thousand pesos for curtains? What do I need for curtains? This palace is too big for me and my family".

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And I tell you my friends, President Laurel is not living in the Palace of Malacanang. Moreover, he is using nothing but a second hand Ford car. President Laurel is giving us an example that this is the time for economy. I wish to tell you that one time, after a lunch given in honor of General Ashiza, President Laurel invited me for a little conference and he took me to his office. I saw on his desk a list of appointments. I found out that he had already an appointment at 1:30 P.M., so that this goes to show that your President, my president is working from nine o'clock in the morning to 9:00 o'clock in the evening, with ^{out} interruption, except in the afternoon when he takes his afternoon exercise. He also told me how he nearly lost his life when two bullets were directed to his heart. The first bullet instead of going directly to his heart went a little upward, missing his heart by a fraction of a centimeter. The second bullet was also directed right straight to his heart, but by some unknown power, it went a little downward, missing his heart by a fraction of a millimeter. You might call it mystical but I call it Providential. Now, my dear friends, we are very glad that we have in our President a man who is really leading our country in the right path.

When he spoke at the convention in Cebu City of Governors, City Mayors and Commanders of Constabulary, he said: "I want independence because I do not want America to come back in the Philippines as I do not want the Philippines to be turned again to a battle field. I also want independence because I want the Japanese to get out of these lands."

My friends, I have been saying that I am through and yet I am not through. Now, I am ready to hear any suggestion from you but I would prefer that in this convention, you should prepare it in writing. Here, I have certain recommendations from the Governor and I am going to act on them. I am going to lay those which I cannot act to the President.

I am going to request every mayor who is here right now to employ men right away to gather all corrugated irons they could. They would mean nothing to you now, but you will need them. You know in Cebu how much they cost - they are not sold per sheet but per lineal foot. If you are not going to gather them, somebody will do it for you. I was yesterday in Guimbal and the first thing I saw was a few barrels of coil. I told them, for Heaven's sake, hide that coil for you will have need for them. Maybe not today, but you will need them and I am telling you right now.

Yesterday afternoon, when I went to the High Command and when we were coming out of the office, what did I see? I saw a file of books belonging to the Philippine Government - five thousand to ten thousand volumes. There is fortune and wisdom in those books. I told the High Command that I would like to get them back - right now, if possible, because those books belong to the Province of Iloilo. We need those books. Our children and our children's children need them.

There are lots of things which we want to gather. Gather them while you can. Get them if we must, but get them at any rate. You cannot find a single piece of corrugated iron in Cebu. They are either sold or looted. Even those corrugated irons fried by fire, cannot be found in Cebu. Some of them have been converted into weapons of war. If that happens in Cebu, it may happen here in your province. So my friends, I am glad to be here so that I could give you my advice.

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This position of mine is very high. I tell you my friends, my wife was opposed to my accepting this job. I conferred with lots of friends, among them were: Briones, Zulueta, Alunan and with Speaker Roxas. Before I accepted this job, I was number 3 in the black list in Cebu. The Governor was number 1; the mayor was number 2 and I was then the Judge of the Court of First Instance (looking at Judge Barrios), like you Justice Barrios, I was number 3 in the list. My wife said that when I was blacklisted as a Judge of the Court of First Instance of Cebu. I will be nine times blacklisted if I accept the position.

It is just a question of making our friends realize. We are not the enemies of the guerrillistas. They are our friends. How many of them who were taken by the Garrison, by the Keinpeitai in Cebu and were saved by those whom they have previously blacklisted! Now, they realize that ours is a mission of peace; they are all our friends because they are all Filipinos. We cannot blame them, because who knows that if we are in the mountains, we would have been Guerrillistas too. Sometimes because of circumstances, they are forced to join the guerillas, The guerrilleros who join in the plot to burn our towns and kill innocent civilians are our enemies, but the guerrillero who is fighting for his ideals is not the enemy of the Filipinos. It is for us to make him realize that we are his friends and if we cannot save him, at least we can advise him not to molest the civilians nor the Constabulary men. We are in the gigantic task of building up our county and we all hope that out of the ashes and ruins will rise a new and better Philippines for our happiness and for the happiness of our children and our children's children.

So my friends, finally I am through. Whatever suggestions you would like to give, kindly prepare them in due form.

Before I come to a conclusion, let me outline to you the powers and duties of my office. The Philippines is divided into three districts - Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao. Luzon is under the President of the Republic; Visayas is under the Commissioner for the Visayas and Mindanao is under the Commissioner for Mindanao and Sulu. The commissioner shall exercise general supervision and administrative control over the district in which he is assigned, and to perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President of the Republic of the Philippines. (In this instance, the Commissioner read the instructions given him in connection with his position).

I feel myself of liliputian size to tackle this job. I have not been a member of the assembly nor a member of the Legislature, altho I have been a president of the college of the Visayan Institute. When in fact, I proposed Avolino who has been a member of the Cabinet. I told the President that I am a square peg in the round hole. I do not have the experience. I do not have the background. The position that I have is high but yet so low. Sometimes, I think I am powerful, yet powerless; sometimes, I think I am omnipotent, yet impotent. Without the help and cooperation and with the advice of the Governors and the Mayors in the Visayas, I am helpless. I am asking the people to help me. Without your help, I may not succeed, but with your help, I may succeed. I thank you.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2062

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Date: 21 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1682

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 949 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy air activity 19 April.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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20 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 949 20 APRIL

AIR REPORT: APRIL 19: ONE LIGHT SEAPLANE FLEW PATROL AS FAR NORTH AS KABACAN, COTABATO PROVINCE, BACK TO SOUTH.

AT 0100 TWO MEDIUM BOMBERS OVER SANTA FE, AGUSAN PROVINCE, AT 4,000 FEET TO SOUTH AFTER CIRCLING, RIVER RECONN. AT 0330 SAME RETURNED, CIRCLED AGAIN THEN TO NORTH DROPPING FOUR BOMBS AND STRAFFING VICINITY ESPERANZA, AGUSAN. FIRST USE OF TWIN ENGINE BOMBERS AGAINST US.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2061

Date: 21 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1681

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2

Message No. 951 from FERTIG:

Precis: In re enemy activity and dispositions in DAVAO area.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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20 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 951 20 APRIL

LT. WILSON REPORTS THAT LARGE ENEMY PATROL FROM MATI, DAVAO PROV., HAS REACHED TARRAGONAO.

B-3. MALALAG OCCUPIED BY NIPS AND ALL CIVILIANS SENT OUT FROM RESTRICTED AREA.

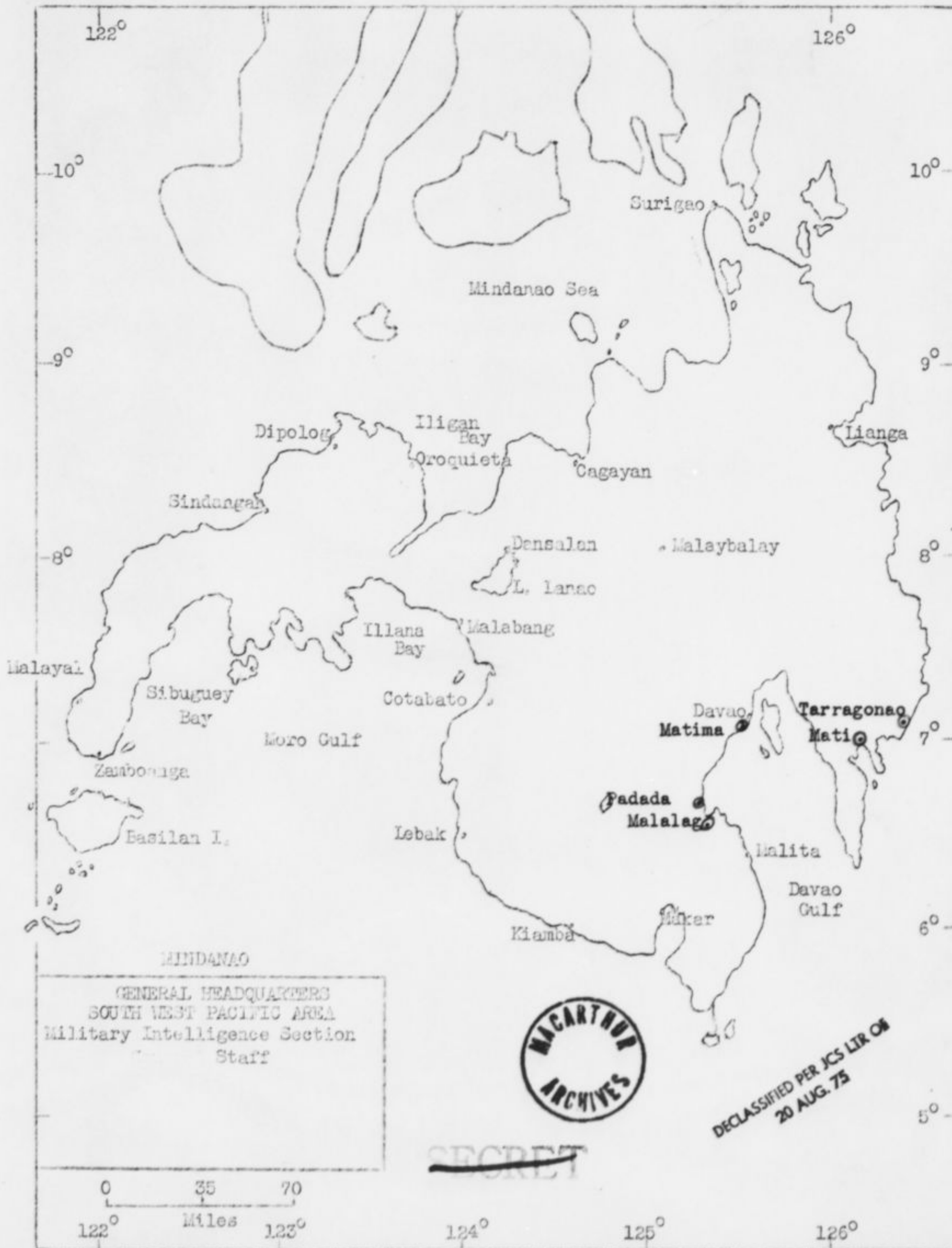
UNCONFIRMED RUMOR THAT TWO SHIPS UNLOADED BOMBS AND AA GUNS LAST WEEK. INCREASE IN PLANES AT MATINA AND PACADA FIELDS.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2060

Date: 21 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1680

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^W G-2

Message No. 947 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy naval units in DAVAO gulf.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2, Navy advised.

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Action recommended:

None. *See: G-2*



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This concentration was anticipated by us, based on usual special info; the odd thing, however, that the entry into the area was not picked up by our stations on Palawan, Tawi-Tawi or Basilan? There is, of course, the possibility that they came in through Makassar Sts.

At any rate, the observation was made; surveillance emphasis must be laid on the Davao area, in the future.

Law
C A W

Further to above and on specific check with 7th Fleet, the Navy is certain that sortie expected on or about April 15th did not take place; they state that the majority of the vessels of the Singapore fleet are still in that general area. This categorical statement raises an interesting point:

How reliable is Johnson? Holder? Is this direct visual observation? Is it relay-hearsay evidence? What is the elapsed time between observation and report? Is this observer, if any, trained in estimating types and tonnages of ships? This is too obvious a chance to cross-check on a report to allow it to go by default. P.R.S. to call for a verification report from the Davao area, to clear ~~SECRET~~ numbers and types of vessels. - *Law*
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20 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 947 20 APRIL

JOHNSON REPORTS UNCONFIRMED THAT 70 SHIPS, INCLUDING WARSHIPS, IN DAVAO GULF (WHAT A TARGET). HOLDER REPORTS OF APRIL 10 B-2, EIGHT TRANSPORTS, 30 DESTROYERS AND CRUISERS ANCHORED FROM BUNAWAN TO SANTA ANA. ABOUT 50 WOODEN SHIPS AND BARGES ANCHORED ALONG NORTHERN SAMAL, DAVAO PROV., TO SOUTHWEST COAST.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2059

Date: 21 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1679

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2 ^W

Message No. 953 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re enemy action in LANA O.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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20 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG

NR 953 20 APRIL

HEDGES: ENEMY REDUCED ALL GARRISONS IN MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL AND LANA O PROVINCE TO GET ENOUGH MEN TO ATTACK OLD PICKUP SITE LAST TIME. ILIGAN, LANA O PROV., USED AS BASE. VERIFIED THAT BOTH DANSALAN AND MALABANG FIELDS OF LANA O ARE READY FOR USE. HAD ENCOUNTER AT MALABANG ON APRIL 8 DRIVING CIVILIAN WORKERS FROM FIELD.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2058

Date: 21 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1678

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 950 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re escapee reports.

G-2

Comment: This is the first direct evidence we have had on the effect of the atrocity releases.

Action taken:

G-2, USAFFE advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR
FROM : FERTIG
NR 950 20 APRIL

POW WOHLFELD AND WATSON ARRIVED HERE. BOTH BELIEVE
THAT PUBLICATION OF ATROCITY STORIES FORCED JAPS TO IM-
PROVE TREATMENT OF POW. BOTH IN QUITE GOOD SHAPE. TWO
OTHERS REPORTED SAFE IN DAVAO PROV. MOUNTAINS WHILE
OTHERS REPORTED TO HAVE GONE TOWARD COTABATO PROV. WE
ARE TRYING TO TRACE THEM.

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Report No. 2057

Date: 21 April 1944

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No. 1677

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: G-2

Message No. 952 from FERTIG.

Precis: In re additional manpower for enemy DAVAO projects.

Comment: None.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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20 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : FERTIG

NR 952 20 APRIL

LAST MONTH, B-3, 500 FILIPINO INSULAR AND MILITARY PRISONERS ARRIVED IN DAVAO PROVINCE FROM SANTIAGO, BILIBID, MUNUINLUPA AND IWAHIG TO WORK ON VARIOUS PROJECTS. THREE HUNDRED CHINESE PRISONERS FROM HONGKONG WORKING AT PANACAN.

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AIB Info.
Report No. 2056

Date: 21 April 1944

PRS Action Sheet

No. 1676

TO: Chief of Staff.

Coordination: ^WG-2

Message No. 89 from SMITH.

Precis: In re enemy action and movement in SMITH's area.

Comment: See map attached for positions indicated.

Action taken:

G-2 advised.

Action recommended:

None.

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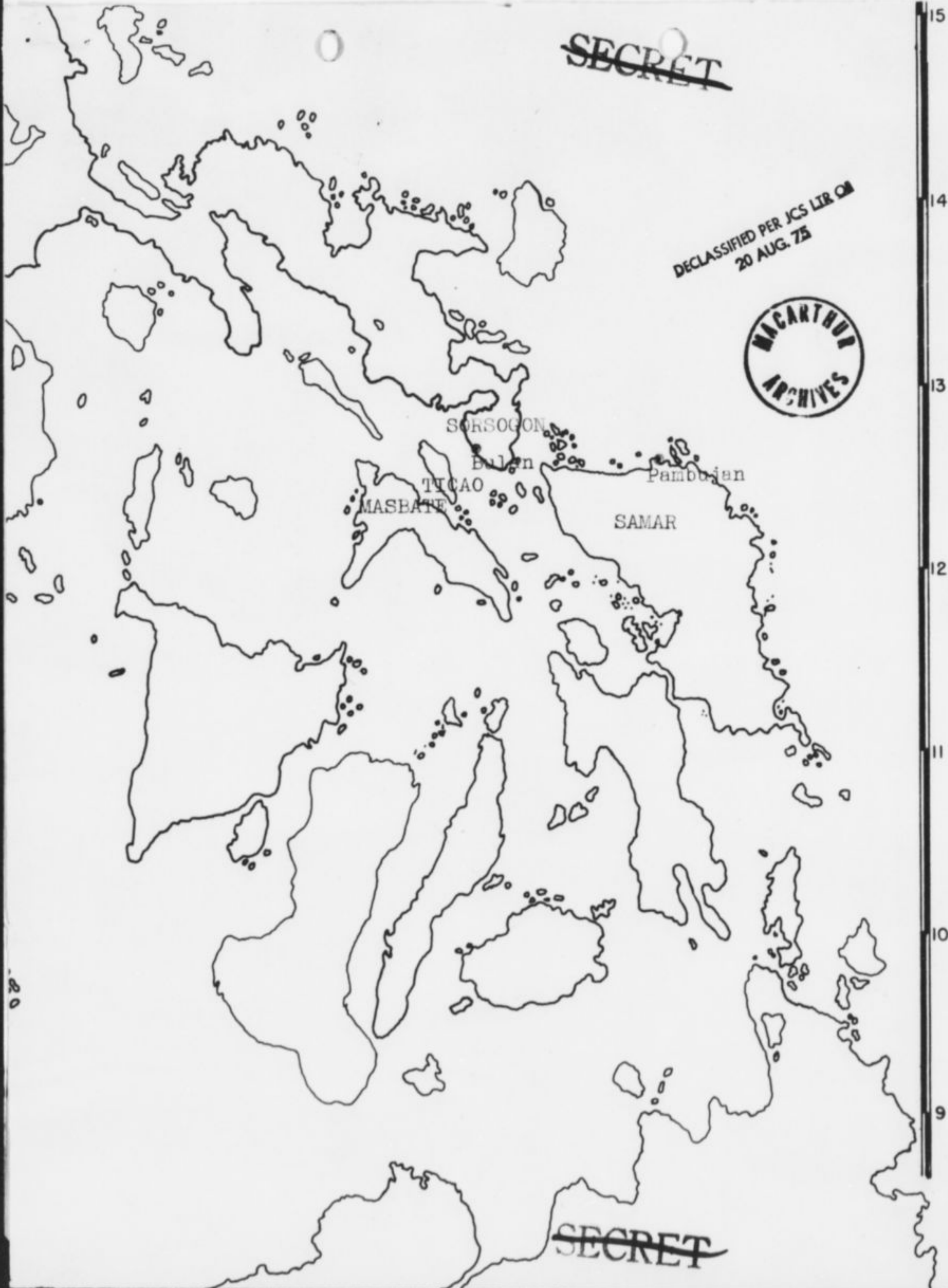
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20 APRIL 1944

TO : GENERAL MACARTHUR

FROM : SMITH (M A C A)

NR 89 20 APRIL

THIRTY NIPS OCCUPIED PAMBUJAN ON NORTH COAST ON
APRIL 17. STATION M A B FORMERLY ON MASBATE HAS BEEN
ON TICAO FOR LAST MONTH. NIPS FROM BULAN SORSOGON HAVE
INVADED TICAO LOOKING FOR LAPUS AND MEN.

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