

CEBU WSAFFE MOTOR POOL
ADV. QM DEPOT

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES, WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APO 718
1 March 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, GENARO M. PALOMAR, whose address is D-1 Caimeto Avenue, Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. That this is a true copy of the Timebook of the Cebu Advanced Quartermaster Depot U.S. Army for April, 1942:

NAME	DESIGNATION	NO OF DAYS WORKED	RATE PER MONTH
		W/O payment	
1. Frederick A. Bowen	Paymaster	9 1/2	P 333.33
2. Genaro M. Palomar	Asst. Paymaster	9 1/2	250.00 Inc
from 150.00 April 1			
3. Eduardo Aboites	Asst. Procurement	9	300.00
4. Mrs. Caridad Crowe	Stenographer & Decoder	9	260.00
5. Mrs. Adelaida Janes	Stenographer	9	200.00
6. Adelaida B. Palomar	Stenographer	9	150.00 Inc
from 75.00 April 1			
7. Mrs. Trinidad G. Labora	Stenographer	9	150.00 Inc
from 75.00 April 1			
8. Mamerto Cui	Purchase Order Clerk	9	90.00 Inc
from 60.00 April 1			
9. Mariano Suson	General Clerk	9	75.00 Inc
from 60.00 April 1			
10. Nicanor Sityar	General Clerk	9	75.00 Inc
from 60.00 April 1			
11. Manuel Juezan	Stock Record Clerk	9	60.00 Inc
to 75.00 April 1			
12. Amador Pilapil	Stock Record Clerk	9	50.00 Inc
to 60.00 April 1			
13. Jesus San Luis	Stock Record Clerk	9	50.00 Inc
to 60.00 April 1			
14. Alfredo Reyes	Stock Record Clerk	9	50.00 Inc
to 60.00 April 1			
15. Loreto B. Banez	Issue Clerk	9	50.00 Inc
to 60.00 April 1			
16. Jose Martinez	Dispatcher-Messenger	9 1/2	50.00 Inc
to 60.00 April 1			
17. Jesus Silverio	Office Janitor	9	30.00 Inc
to 40.00 April 1			
18. Cecilio Abella	Dispatcher-Messenger	9 1/2	50.00 Inc
to 60.00 April 1			
19. Frank Vidal	Office Janitor	9	30.00 Inc
to 40.00 April 1 (undercover killed by guerilla)			
20. Gaudencio Camilo	Janitor-Messenger	9	30.00 Inc
to 40.00 April 1 (killed by the Japs)			
21. Bonifacio Misleng	Issue Clerk	9	50.00 Inc
to 60.00 April 1			
22. M. B. Varian	Chief Storekeeper	9 1/2	300.00
23. Francisco Rosal	Shipping Clerk	9	80.00 Inc
to 85.00 April 1			
24. Engracio Nacario	Tally-out Checker	9 1/2	70.00 Inc
to 85.00 April 1			
25. Bernardo Icamen	Tally-out Checker	9	70.00 Inc
to 85.00 April 1			
26. Ricardo Rocha	Tally - in Checker	9	60.00 Inc
to 75.00 April 1			

NAME	DESIGNATION	NO OF DAYS WORKED	RATE PER MONTH
27. Sofronio Cabahug to 75.00 April 1	Gen. Checker-Cebu Ice Plant	9	P 60.00 Inc
28. Santos Tabura to 75.00 April 1	Timekeeper (Whse)	9 1/2	60.00 Inc
29. Jesus Enriquez to 60.00 April 1	Tally-in Checker	9	50.00 Inc
30. Joel Ramos (Eufrocino) to 60.00 April 1	Tally-in Checker	9	50.00 Inc
31. Catalino Madrazo to 60.00 April 1	Tally-out Checker	9	50.00 Inc
32. Domingo Machacon inc. to 60 Apr. 1	Tally-out Checker	9	50.00 Inc
33. Federico Sablada to 60.00 April 1	Tally-out Checker	9	50.00 Inc
34. Fred Espanol to 60.00 April 1	Issue Clerk	9	50.00 Inc

MEDICAL DEPOT

11. Dra. Bertha M. Baltazar	Asst. Med. Officer	9	185.00
2. Rafael Lugay	Pharmacist		?
3. His employment was complicated because he was inducted with the Phil. Army Status and was no longer a civilian employee.)			
3. Cabahug	Pharmacy Clerk	9	60.00
4. Arturo Basa	Shipping Clerk	9	70.00
5.			

			RATE PER DAY	
5. Abundio Ramos	Carpenter	9	\$ 1.75 Inc to 1.00	
6. Gregorio Ferraren	Laborer	9	.50 Inc to .75	
7. Crispulo Minpueto	"	9	.50 " " .75	
8. Eduardo Tabura	"	9	.50 " " .75	
9. Teodoro Labrada	"	9	.50 " " .75	
10. Jesus Armas	"	9	.50 " " .75	
11. Valentin Tesaluna	"	9	.50 " " .75	
12. Vicente Palco	"	9	.50 " " .75	
13. Julian Estrera	"	9	.50 " " .75	
15. Apolonio Emperio	"	9	.50 " " .75	

SHELTER HALVES AND CANTEEN SECTION

1. Rosendo Catalya	Capataz	8 1/2	\$.75 " " 1.00
2. Gerardo B. Palomar	Laborer	8 1/2	.50 " " .75
3. Francisco Deiparine	"	4 1/2	.50 " " .75
4. Cesar Catalya	"	8 1/2	.50 " " .75
5. Gerardo Teves	"	8 1/2	.50 " " .75
6. Aurelio Gonzales	"	7 1/2	.50 " " .75
7. Juan Deiparine	"	8 1/2	.50 " " .75
8. E. Deiparine	"	8 1/2	.50 " " .75
9. A. Davondon	"	6 1/2	.50 " " .75
10. P. Abellana	"	8 1/2	.50 " " .75
11. L. Melencio	"	8 1/2	.50 " " .75
12. D. Arquillos	"	8 1/2	.50 " " .75
13. Alfonso Emperio	"	7 1/2	.50 " " .75
14. F. Potot	"	1	.50 " " .75
15. V. Lusarino	"	3	.50 " " .75

SUBSISTENCE WAREHOUSES

			RATE PER MONTH
1. James Morrel	Warehouseman	9	\$ 50.00
2. Clarence Gubish	" (Collab)	9	50.00
3. Pedro Esmero	"	9	50.00
4. Aquino	"	9	50.00
5. James M. Cushing	Demolition Engineer	9 1/2	333.33
6. Frank Merchant	Demolition Engineer	9 1/2	333.33
7. Boardson	Demolition Assistant	9 1/2	120.00
8. Bernard Hale	" "	9 1/2	60.00
9. Jose Alyaly	Surveyor	9	3.00 per day
110. Capt. Monfort	Special Investigator	9 1/2	150.00

NAME	DESIGNATION	NO OF DAYS WORKED	RATE PER MONTH
11. Mrs. Charlotte Martin	Stenographer	9	P 200.00
12. Corazon Ramirez	Stenographer	9	100.00

N O T E : The order for increases in salary from Col. Cook & Lt. Affleck was recd. & noted April 6 to take effect April 1, 1942.

Signed _____
GENARO M. PALOMAR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of March, 1946 at Cebu City, P. I.

ROBERT G. SMITH
1st Lt. Inf.
Rec. Pers. Det.
War Dept. Pay Claims

A F F I D A V I T

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES) SS

I, GENARO M. PALOMAR, whose address is D-1 Caimeto Avenue, Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. That this is a true copy of the time book of the U. S. Quarantine Service personnel carried on the payroll of U. S. Army Advanced Q.M. Depot, Cebu City, Cebu, P.I. for the month of April 1942.

<u>NAMES</u>	<u>DESIGNATION</u>	<u>SALARY PER MONTH</u>
1. Ramon Julio Moro	Superintendent	₱119.00
2. Abundio Manlunas	Patron	80.00
3. Faustino Velez	Chief Engineer	80.00
4. Manuel Perez	Asst. Engineer	50.00
5. Silverio Cabanilla	Quartermaster	47.00
6. Narciso Selloria	Fireman	41.00
7. Zacarias Cantilla	Fireman	41.00
8. Mauro Alcaraz	Sailor	41.00
9. Alejandro Poraqoso	Sailor	41.00
10. Loreto Alcaraz	Chief Fumigator	47.00
11. Pablo Pasayan	Carpenter	51.00
12. Agapito Timbobolan	Hosp. Attendant	41.00
13. Agustin Legaspi	Hosp. Attendant	41.00
14. Maximo Gera	Watchman	41.00
15. Isidra Capal	Laundry Woman	41.00
16. Emeterio Rapo	Yard Man	41.00
17. Procopio Panedar	Yard Man	41.00
18. Martin Lopez	Yard Man Attendant	41.00
19. Quirico Timbobolan	Hosp. Attendant	41.00

GENARO M. PALOMAR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of July 1946
Manila, Philippines.

SAMUEL PIZZO
1st Lt TC
Summary Court Officer

Adv. OM

A F F I D A V I T

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES) SS

I, GENARO M. PALOMAR, whose address is D-1 Caimete Ave., Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. That this is a true copy of the Timebook for the Motor Pool employees at the Cebu Advanced Quartermaster Depot, Cebu City, Cebu, P.I., for the month of April 1942:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESIGNATION</u>	<u>NO OF DAYS WORKED</u>	<u>RATE PER MONTH</u>
1. Charles A. Blue	Supt & Buses Incharge	10	₱300.00
2. Pedro de Ocampo	Asst Supt & Ch Disp	10	200.00
3. Gabriel Bucklatan	Chief Mechanic	10	125.00
4. Mariano Y. Alo	Timekeeper	10	100.00
5. Estaneslao Babano	Asst Chief Mechanic	10	100.00
6. Juan Alforque	Asst Mechanic	10	75.00
7. Tomas Campued	" "	10	75.00
8. Fructuoso Omana	" "	10	75.00
9. Silverio Encabo	" "	10	75.00
10. William Tremper	" "	10	75.00
11. Francisco Almadin	" "	10	75.00
12. Simeon Liwanag	" "	10	75.00
13. Juan Culamay	" "	10	75.00
14. Gaudencio G. Berreyro	Typist & Clerk	10	60.00
15. Juan U. Castaneda	Automobile Inch.	10	60.00
16. Bienvenido Alo	Registration	10	60.00
17. Jesus Rodis	Truck Incharge	10	60.00
18. Julian Canete	Gasoline Man	10	60.00
19. Eriberto Empases	Chief Tireman	10	60.00
20. Aguido Babano	Asst Tireman	10	45.00
21. Carminiano Lamite	" "	10	45.00
22. Leocadio Genraule	" "	10	45.00
23. Vicente Concepcion	" "	10	45.00
24. George Dioquino	" "	10	45.00
25. Placido Bacalso	" "	10	45.00

DRIVERS

1. Alcorda, Jose	Driver	10	₱ 1.50/day
2. Alburo, Pablo	"	10	1.50/day
3. Abala, Arcadio	"	10	1.50/day
4. Abanilla, Elesio	"	10	1.50/day
5. Aguilar, Petronio	"	6	1.50/day
6. Abellana, Nepuciano	"	10	1.50/day
7. Armodia, Francisco	"	10	1.50/day
8. Aspera, Felipe	"	10	1.50/day
9. Abelo, Rufino	"	10	1.50/day
10. Agusfina, Cerilo	"	8	1.50/day

11. Agustin, Alejandro	Driver	10	✓ 1.50/day
12. Alce, Gerardo	"	9	1.50/day
13. Abella, Leoncio	"	10	1.50/day
14. Aninipoc, Magdaleno	"	10	1.50/day
15. Ambus, Eugenio	"	10	1.50/day
16. Arche, Lucas	"	10	1.50/day
17. Aguilar, Francisco	"	10	1.50/day
18. Antig, Miguel	"	10	1.50/day
19. Ampo-on, Perfecto	"	2	1.50/day
20. Amigable, Felipe	"	10	1.50/day
21. Alferes, Arcadio	"	10	1.50/day
22. Bregondo, Joaquin	"	10	1.50/day
23. Burgos, Marcelo	"	10	1.50/day
24. Baring, Raymundo	"	10	1.50/day
25. Baylon, Roque	"	10	1.50/day
26. Balaba, Pablo	"	10	1.50/day
27. Bacus, Sulficio	"	10	1.50/day
28. Bacus, Dionisio	"	10	1.50/day
29. Briones, Mateo	"	10	1.50/day
30. Briones, Vicente	"	10	1.50/day
31. Bargayo, Manuel	"	10	1.50/day
32. Bahan, Gabriel	"	5	1.50/day
33. Buntog, Roberto	"	10	1.50/day
34. Barillano, Lupe	"	10	1.50/day
35. Baer, Agustin	"	10	1.50/day
36. Buenconsejo, Frank	"	10	1.50/day
37. Bok, Honorato	"	10	1.50/day
38. Baylosis, Consorcio	"	8	1.50/day
39. Bermejo, Severino	"	4	1.50/day
40. Cabrereros, Pelagio	"	10	1.50/day
41. Caballes, Miguel	"	10	1.50/day
42. Camacho, Mariano	"	10	1.50/day
43. Canonigo, Dalmacio	"	10	1.50/day
44. Castro, Francisco	"	10	1.50/day
45. Cabiluna, Domingo	"	10	1.50/day
46. Cabarubias, Alejandro	"	10	1.50/day
47. Casals, Rosendo	"	10	1.50/day
48. Casals, Gaudencio	"	10	1.50/day
49. Codera, Gil	"	10	1.50/day
50. Cuyos, Cornelio	"	10	1.50/day
51. Cinco, Ruperto	"	10	1.50/day
52. Cababahay, Merardo	"	10	1.50/day
53. Caballero, Bregido	"	10	1.50/day
54. Canedo, Elpedio	"	10	1.50/day
55. Cabrera, Mateo	"	10	1.50/day
56. Cabrera, Emeliano	"	10	1.50/day
57. Cavan, Leon	"	10	1.50/day
58. Cuizon, Perfecto	"	10	1.50/day
59. Calo, Jose	"	10	1.50/day
60. Cruz, Candido Sta.	"	10	1.50/day
61. Cabahug, Victorino	"	10	1.50/day
62. Chavez, Salvador	"	10	1.50/day
63. Cabrera, Gaspar	"	10	1.50/day
64. Calzada, Buenaventura	"	10	1.50/day
65. Campo, Florentino	"	10	1.50/day
66. Carombe, Jesus	"	14	1.50/day
67. Catal, Mechael	"	14	1.50/day
68. Duran, Baldomero	"	10	1.50/day
69. Diaz, Apolinario	"	10	1.50/day
70. Dablo, Julio	"	10	1.50/day

No.	Name	Driver	Days	Rate
71.	De la Victoria M.	Driver	10	✓ 1.50/day
72.	Dacunan, Esmael	"	10	1.50/day
73.	Dichos, Regino	"	10	1.50/day
74.	Doble, Agapito	"	6	1.50/day
75.	Espina, Joaquin	"	10	1.50/day
76.	Enriquez, Elesio	"	7	1.50/day
77.	Emnace, Raymundo	"	10	1.50/day
78.	Empled, Felipe	"	6	1.50/day
79.	Ebrada, Allan	"	10	1.50/day
80.	Encabo, Eleno	"	5	1.50/day
81.	Favor, Conrado	"	10	1.50/day
82.	Figueras, Pelagio	"	10	1.50/day
83.	Fernandez, Marciano	"	10	1.50/day
84.	Gala, Eustaquio	"	10	1.50/day
85.	Generoso, Perfecto	"	10	1.50/day
86.	Gacho, Alfonso	"	10	1.50/day
87.	Gonzales, Sotero	"	10	1.50/day
88.	Gogo, Teodorico	"	10	1.50/day
89.	Gravica, Narciso	"	10	1.50/day
90.	Gador, Fidel	"	10	1.50/day
91.	Garcia, Epimaco	"	10	1.50/day
92.	Garcia, Tomas	"	10	1.50/day
93.	Grejaldo, Alejandro	"	10	1.50/day
94.	Godinez, Vicente	"	10	1.50/day
95.	Godinez, Angelio D.	"	10	1.50/day
96.	Gabatan, Venancio	"	10	1.50/day
97.	Goc-ong, Rustico	"	10	1.50/day
98.	Basaya, Juan	"	5	1.50/day
99.	Esmas, Alejandro	"	10	1.50/day
100.	Fuentes, Cerilo	"	10	1.50/day
101.	Herodias, Pablo	"	7	1.50/day
102.	Janson, Domingo	"	10	1.50/day
103.	Jagopit, Magno	"	6	1.50/day
104.	Jarerena, Eleno	"	10	1.50/day
105.	Juntilla, Alejandro	"	8	1.50/day
106.	Lopez, Pedro	"	10	1.50/day
107.	Lao, Esteban	"	10	1.50/day
108.	Lumen, Absalon	"	10	1.50/day
109.	Labra, Pablo O.	"	10	1.50/day
110.	Letegio, Getulio	"	4	1.50/day
111.	Lopez, Toribio	"	10	1.50/day
112.	Lopez, Antonio	"	10	1.50/day
113.	Lestimosa, Zacarias	"	10	1.50/day
114.	Lanohan, Felicisimo	"	8	1.50/day
115.	Legaspi, Guillermo	"	10	1.50/day
116.	Latunios, Victoriano	"	10	1.50/day
117.	Labayaga, Marcos	"	10	1.50/day
118.	Leyson, Vicente	"	10	1.50/day
119.	Mirasol, Nasario	"	10	1.50/day
120.	Mirasol, Aurelio	"	10	1.50/day
121.	Mantos, Juan	"	10	1.50/day
122.	Montalban, Pedro	"	10	1.50/day
123.	Miro, Leon	"	10	1.50/day
124.	Meredures, Santiago	"	7	1.50/day
125.	Monares, Antonio	"	10	1.50/day
126.	Manal, Nicolas	"	10	1.50/day
127.	Madrids, Gregorio	"	10	1.50/day
128.	Mariquit, Jacinto	"	10	1.50/day
129.	Miraflor, Generoso	"	1	1.50/day
130.	Moncada, Francisco	"	10	1.50/day

131.	Nable, Magdaleno	Driver	10	✓	1.50/day
132.	Nadiera, Berino	"	6		1.50/day
133.	Nieves, Mariano	"	9		1.50/day
134.	Naraja, Francisco	"	10		1.50/day
135.	Navaja, Anastacio	"	10		1.50/day
136.	Macario, Crispulo	"	10		1.50/day
137.	Nadonza, Cresogono	"	10		1.50/day
138.	Nacilla, Mauricio	"	6		1.50/day
139.	Normandia, Isias	"	4		1.50/day
140.	Obsioma, Pablo	"	10		1.50/day
141.	Ocampo, Roberto	"	10		1.50/day
142.	Morras, Jose	"	6		1.50/day
143.	Paul, Isidro	"	10		1.50/day
144.	Paunel, Guillermo	"	10		1.50/day
145.	Pastor, Felipe	"	10		1.50/day
146.	Porton, Teodoro	"	10		1.50/day
147.	Posa, Luciano	"	10		1.50/day
148.	Petersen, Teodoro	"	10		1.50/day
149.	Petersen, Carlos	"	10		1.50/day
150.	Padigos, Vicente	"	10		1.50/day
151.	Panturilla, Toribio	"	10		1.50/day
152.	Punan, Santos	"	10		1.50/day
153.	Pepito, Florentino	"	19		1.50/day
154.	Quijano, Teofilo	"	10		1.50/day
155.	Quintanilla, Pascual	"	10		1.50/day
156.	Quiniones, Jose	"	4		1.50/day
157.	Romano, Esteban	"	10		1.50/day
158.	Romeo, Macario	"	10		1.50/day
159.	Racaza, Mariano	"	10		1.50/day
160.	Rebleza, Diosdado	"	6		1.50/day
161.	Remolisan, Roberto	"	10		1.50/day
162.	Ramos, Antonio	"	10		1.50/day
163.	Rabe, Marciano	"	10		1.50/day
164.	Rosales, Fabian	"	10		1.50/day
165.	Rosal, Francisco	"	10		1.50/day
166.	Raganas, Tereso	"	5		1.50/day
167.	Rivera, Jose	"	10		1.50/day
168.	Rafila, Moises	"	10		1.50/day
169.	Ruadas, Paulino	"	10		1.50/day
170.	Rivera, Joaquin	"	10		1.50/day
171.	Regner, Rumualdo	"	6		1.50/day
172.	Ramoneda, Bernardo	"	10		1.50/day
173.	Rama, Aniceto	"	8		1.50/day
174.	Reroma, Fortunato	"	10		1.50/day
175.	Solla, Ignacio	"	10		1.50/day
176.	Sollano, Emeliano	"	10		1.50/day
178.	Sanches, Albino	"	10		1.50/day
179.	Strong, Smith	"	10		1.50/day
181.	Saceda, Ceriaco	"	10		1.50/day
182.	Sondo, Felipe	"	10		1.50/day
183.	Sabio, Aguedo	"	10		1.50/day
184.	Sanceja, Melquiades	"	10		1.50/day
185.	Selerio, Pastor	"	10		1.50/day
186.	Sonido, Ambrosio	"	9		1.50/day
187.	Secretario, Federi 66	"	10		1.50/day
188.	Sagaral, Pedro	"	10		1.50/day
189.	Suico, Cepriano	"	7		1.50/day
190.	Sanchez, Teodoro	"	10		1.50/day

191.	Sarchez, Vicente	Driver	10	✓ 1.50/day
192.	Roxas, Bernabe	"	6	1.50/day
193.	Tito, Gregorio	"	10	1.50/day
194.	Trazona, Ignacio	"	10	1.50/day
195.	Teyes, Manuel	"	10	1.50/day
196.	Tizon, Teodoro	"	10	1.50/day
197.	Tura, Primitivo	"	10	1.50/day
198.	Taborada, Sergio	"	10	1.50/day
199.	Talampas, Conrado	"	10	1.50/day
200.	Tudtud, Simplicio	"	5	1.50/day
201.	Wera, Gregorio	"	10	1.50/day
202.	Villacorta, Agapito	"	10	1.50/day
203.	Villoga, Conrado	"	10	1.50/day
204.	Velez, Eriberto	"	4	1.50/day
205.	Vega, Sergio	"	10	1.50/day
206.	Vilvar, Cristuto	"	10	1.50/day
207.	Vijar, Perfecto	"	10	1.50/day
208.	Vasnillo, Democrito	"	10	1.50/day
209.	Valle, Juan	"	7	1.50/day
210.	Yap, Teofilo Flores	"	10	1.50/day
211.	Ybarreta, Sixto	"	10	1.50/day
212.	Bustamante, Avelino	"	4	1.50/day
213.	Navarra, Pablo	"	4	1.50/day
214.	Alferez, Felomino	"	10	1.50/day
215.	Igmedio <u>Tocao</u>	Motor Pool Policeman	10	

GENARO M. PALOMAR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of July 1946
at Manila, Philippines.

SAMUEL PIZZO
1st Lt TC
Summary Court Officer

GSXRP

Claims of Employees of Cebu Advanced Q.M.
Depot.

FR: OIC, Civilian Section TO: Director, DATE: 8 April 46
RPD

1. We have received approximately 500 claims from employees of the Cebu Advanced Q.M. Depot.

2. Affidavits by PALOMAR, GENARO M. (Incl 1, Tab A; Incl 2, Tab B) state that the Depot was composed of the following installations:

- a. Quartermaster Motor Pool
- b. U. S. Quarantine Station
- c. M. P. Vehicle Operators
- d. Quartermaster Depot
- e. USAFFE Payroll - which included payroll making for air raid shelters - demolition work
- f. Engineer Depot - which included defense work at Camp X and Camp 9.
- g. Medical Depot -
- h. Shelter Halves and Canteen Section

3. **1. Labor Pool or "Labor Battalion"**
According to an affidavit by WILLIAM C. BRENNAN (Incl 3, TAB C), Paymaster at the Depot, USAFFE took over the former Pacific Commercial Company, after the outbreak of the war. It was then given the name of the Cebu Advanced QM Depot.

4. Col. PAUL S. BEARD, FD, Finance Officer, Visayan-Mindanao Forces made the following statement on 28 March 1945 (Incl 12, Tab L):

"1. All civilians employed by the Visayan-Mindanao Forces during the period of the defense of the Philippine Islands (8 December 1941 to date of surrender) were temporary employees engaged on a month to month basis and were not per annum employees, as USAFFE Headquarters did not authorize permanent employment nor employment beyond the immediate work to be accomplished, nor the allocation of funds for any extended period."

5. Attention is invited to the inclosed Policy Governing The Employment of Civilians By The Visayan-Mindanao Forces, issued by Brigadier General SHARP, dated 22 January 1942 (Incl 11, Tab K).

6. Various other affidavits (Incls 4-10, Tabs D-J) bear out the fact that this was an emergency establishment, that the Capataz system was used in most of the sections of the Depot.

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Depot. (Cont'd)

FR: OIC, Civilian Section

TO: Director,
RPD

DATE: 8 April 46

7. In view of paragraphs 4 to 6 inclusive and the fact that all employment was caused by the emergency, in no way can it be construed that any positions could be permanent or for indefinite period as no permanent War Department installation was in this area. It is therefore recommended that employees on this project be considered as intermittent, part time, casually hired and not entitled to benefits under the Missing Persons Act.

12 Incls

S. J. S.

- Incl 1 - Affidavit, Palomar (Tab A)
 - Incl 2 - Affidavit, Palomar (Tab B)
 - Incl 3 - Affidavit, Brennan (Tab C)
 - Incl 4 - Affidavit, Deiparine (Tab D)
 - Incl 5 - Affidavit, Camillo (Tab E)
 - Incl 6 - Affidavit, Mabitad (Tab F)
 - Incl 7 - Affidavit, Basconis (Tab G)
 - Incl 8 - Affidavit, Catalya (Tab H)
 - Incl 9 - Affidavit, Aconada (Tab I)
 - Incl 10- Affidavit, Casia (Tab J)
 - Incl 11- Civilian Employee Policy (Tab K)
 - Incl 12- Statement, Col. Beard (Tab L)
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Order QM

CSXRP

Claims of Quartermaster Supply Depot Employees.

(1) FR: OIC, Civilian Section TO: Director DATE: 8 April 46
RPD

1. We have approximately 610 claims from the island of Cebu by persons claiming employment with the Quartermaster Supply Depot for the dates 8 December 1941 to 10 April 1942.
2. The entire project was not centered in one place but was carried on in several towns throughout the island of Cebu. Although there was some work accomplished during previous months, the vast share of the hauling of supplies took place during March 1942, up until the invasion on 10 April 1942.
3. a. GREGORIO LLINES, Labor Supervisor states in his affidavit:
 "The nature of this work was to supervise the hauling of USAFFE Supplies, Materials and War Ammunitions. I hired my men under my control. I was employed as Labor Supervisor from 16 March 1942 to 7 April 1942. "
- b. LUIS BACUS, capataz, states:
 "My job started on 29 March 1942 and ended 7 April 1942 because there were no more supplies."
- c. RUSTICO HOLGANZA, Capataz, states:
 "I was employed by Lt. Iway of the 62nd Inf. for hauling food supplies from the main road to the hills of Balerong. That the food supplies were stored in the hills so in case of invasion the enemy would not have access to it. The job in Balerong ceased because we had no supplies to handle."
- d. CATALINO GIMENEZ, capataz, states:
 "I hired men under my control. This job was done under the Cabo system. There were great changes among my men."

4. In view of the above statements and the statement of the Chief Capataz that as a general rule the Cabo system was practiced, and that the QM Supply Depot was an emergency project, hiring men on an emergency status, it is recommended that the employees on this project be considered as intermittent, part time or casually hired and therefore not entitled to benefits under the Missing Persons Act.

- 5 Incls
- Incl 1 - (Tab A) Affidavit, Gregorio Llines
 - Incl 2 - (Tab B) Affidavit, Luis Bacus
 - Incl 3 - (Tab C) Affidavit, Rustico Holganza
 - Incl 4 - (Tab D) Affidavit, Catalino C. Gimenez
 - Incl 5 - (Tab E) Statement, Col. Paul S. Beard
- S. J. S.

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1. The activity is referred to in the basic check note and affidavits attached as "USAFPE Quartermaster Supply Depot." There is no information to indicate whether this installation was a Philippine Army project or an activity of the United States Army. It is my belief that practically all of the units in the Southern Islands were Philippine Army units. The term USAFPE has been loosely used in this theater to designate PA units and personnel ordered into the armed forces of the United States, although technically it applied to all of the forces in the Far East.

2. The organized military forces of the government of the Philippines were called into service by the President on 26 July 1942, and placed "under the command of a General Officer to be designated by the Secretary of War." Gen. MacArthur was designated as the Commanding General of the new Far East command. Shortly after he received command he issued a statement in which it was said:

"The plan envisions an immediate construction program at strategic localities to house the thousands of reservists involved as well as the intensive development of new air fields for the rapidly expanding air forces. All Philippine elements which come under American control will maintain their national integrity. They will retain their own uniforms, their own scale of pay, their own promotion list, their own rations, and their own code of military law. Their training, however, will be under the immediate direction of the officers of the American Army. On muster into the American services they will be paid and supplied from American sources."

(See pages 16 and 17. The Philippine Army: Its establishment, organization and legal basis, by Philippine Research and Information, USAFPE, dated 26 Jan. 1945.) In a letter signed by Carl H. Seale, Adjutant General, USAFPE, 2 Sept 1941, it was said:

"The United States Government has adopted the policy of using the agency of the Philippine Army in the employment of the manpower of the Philippines. The Philippine Army, retaining its own identity, will serve side by side with the United States under a single command."

3. The separate identity of the Philippine Army was expressly recognized by the Congress of the United States in that separate appropriations have been made for its operation and maintenance.

According to Gen. Fitch these funds were and are being expended by Philippine Army disbursing officers in accordance with Philippine laws and regulations, subject to review by the Commanding General, USAFPE or his successor in command.

4. Civilian employees of the Philippine Army have been considered to be employees of the Philippine Commonwealth and not employees of the United States. (See ltr, Gen. Fitch to CP Hanson, Deputy Commissioner, U. S. Employees Compensation Commission dated 2 Oct 1945.) Section VIII of the War Department plan expressly states that civilian employees of the Commonwealth of the Philippines do not come under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act.

5. In view of the fact that most of the troops and installations in the Southern Islands were Philippine Army, and since it is likely that most of the persons referred to in the basic check note were employed by Philippine Army units, it is my opinion that it should be determined in every case, if possible, whether the unit or installation in which a claimant was employed was a Philippine Army or U. S. Army unit or installation. This would require accumulation of information and data from officers who know the facts and a vast amount of time would be consumed before the information can be gathered and conclusions reached which would enable this division to determine whether each claimant was an employee of the Philippine Army or the U. S. Army. Therefore a practical solution must be reached which will permit the adjudication of claims pending the accumulation of such facts. This I believe is possible.

6. The affidavits attached to basic check note show that most of the laborers were hired under the "cabo" system to haul and store supplies and materials during the period between 16 March and 7 April 1942. These individuals would under such facts be local labor casually hired.

7. I therefore recommend:

a. That all laborers on the project who were hired under the cabo system on a per diem basis be determined not to be War Department Employees for the Missing Persons Act for the following reasons to be stated in the determination:

(1) Evidence available, is insufficient to establish that subject was an employee of the War Department and was not an employee of the Philippine Army.

(2) If subject were employed by the U. S. Army he would be a local laborer casually hired and not within the provisions of the Missing Persons Act.

b. That all persons who were employed less than 30 days be treated the same as the above.

c. That an investigation be made to determine whether this activity was a Philippine Army project or U. S. Army activity and that claims of individuals who allege that they were employed on a monthly basis be suspended pending accumulation of facts and further consideration of whether the project can be classified as temporary or emergency and if so whether this is sufficient to justify a determination that such persons are not within the act.

5 Incls: n/c

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H. W. R.

(3) FROM: Dir, Rec Pers Div TO: CIG, Civ Sec, DATE: 11 May 1946
Rec Pers Div

Attention invited to recommendations contained in par 7
previous C/N which are approved. It is desired that you investi-
gate the necessary further investigation through the medium of
the I & R Branch.

5 Incls: n/e/

M. H. M.

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Cebu Non "J" Installations

82 Inf-81 Div
83 Inf-81 Div

1. US. Quarantine Sta.
2. Gasoline Storage
3. Guadalupe Tailoring
4. La Favorita Bakery
5. Baska Bolo Factory
6. Talisay Sugar Central
7. Jakosalem Shoemaker
8. Talisay First Aid Sta.
9. Emergency Hospital
10. Taller Hijos De F. Escano
11. Cebu Shipyard and Engineer
12. Cebu Portland Cement
13. KZRC Radio Station
14. Signal Corp
15. Standard Oli Co.
16. Long Distance Telephone Lines
17. Ammo Factory
18. Phil. Refinery

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C J Martin

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Do not appear on
Payrolls of QM Depot

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APC 718
 22 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, SATURNINO A. GAYO, whose address is 25-E C. Padilla Str., Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Chief Labor Foreman for the Cebu Adv. QM Depot, Cebu City, and I had approximately 350 men under my control. My immediate superior was Capt. C. J. Martin. The nature of this work was supplying laborers to fill up job orders ordered by the Cebu Adv. QM Depot. To detail foremen and capataces to different work under the control of the QM Depot. To supervise and inspect the work of the men under foremen and capataces.

2. This installation was initiated, ~~by USAFFE~~, ~~by USAFFE~~, ~~by USAFFE~~ by USAFFE.
 The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Not applicable

3. I was employed as Salesman, Luzon Stevedoring Co., before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Major T. W. Jurika

4. This job ceased on 10 Apr 1942 because The Japanese invasion fleet was sighted in the harbor.

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Capt. C. J. Martin

6. The laborers were last paid in full on 5 Apr 1942 to include the 5 Apr 1942. I, as foreman was last paid on 31 Mar 1942.

7. This installation ~~was~~, was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Lt. Carl Aranz; Col. Cook; Lt. Afflect; Major T. W. Jurika, Capt. C. J. Martin; Col. Cushing; Major Carlton; Capt. Davis; Lt. Polak; Lt. Jensen; Capt. Cleland Jr; Lt. Clausin; and Major Byrd.

Signed Saturnino A. Gayo
 SATURNINO A. GAYO

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of Feb 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
 ROBERT G. SMITH
 1st LT. INF.
 SEC. PERS. DET.
 WAR DEPT. PAY CLAIMS

HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

AGO 718
22 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, SATURNINO A. GAYO, whose address is 25-B C. Padilla Str., Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Chief Labor Foreman for the Cebu Adv. QM Depot, Cebu City, and I had approximately 350 men under my control. My immediate superior was Capt. C. J. Martin. The nature of this work was supplying laborers to fill up job orders ordered by the Cebu Adv. QM Depot. To detail foremen and capataces to different work under the control of the QM Depot. To supervise and inspect the work of the men under foremen and capataces.

2. This installation was initiated, ~~initiated~~ by USAFPP. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Not applicable

3. I was employed as Salesman, Luzon Stevedoring Co., before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Major T. W. Jurika

4. This job ceased on 10 Apr 1942 because The Japanese invasion fleet was sighted in the harbor.

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Capt. C. J. Martin

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7. This installation ~~was~~, was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

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Signed Saturnino A. Gayo
SATURNINO A. GAYO

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of Feb 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
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A F F I D A V I T

I, SATURNINO A. GAYO, whose address is 25-E C. Padilla str., Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

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The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Not applicable

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Signed Saturmino A. Gayo
SATURNINO A. GAYO

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of Feb 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

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APD 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, WILLIAM C. BRENNAN, whose address is
395 Sikatuna St., Cebu City, being duly sworn
according to law, depose and say that the following information
is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Checker & Paymaster for the Labor Pool, Cebu Adv. QM Depot, Cebu City, and I had approximately 300 men under my control. My immediate superior was Mr. Saturnino Gayo. The nature of this work was To check payrolls of the laborers, and at the same time pay the wages of laborers under the Labor Pool, Cebu Adv. QM Depot.

2. This installation was ~~installed~~, commandeered, ~~and used~~ for by USAFFE.

The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are When the war broke out on 8 Dec 1941, the USAFFE took control over the former Pacific Commercial Company, then named it the Cebu Adv. QM Depot.

3. I was employed as Clerk, Luzon Stevedoring Co., before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Lt. Tom Jurika

4. This job ceased on 10 Apr 1942 because The Japanese invasion fleet was sighted in the harbor.

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Lt. Affect; Lt. Aranz and Col. Cook

6. We were last paid in full on 7 Apr 1942 to include the 7 Apr 1942.

7. This installation was, ~~not~~ molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Lt. Affect; Lt. Aranz; Col. Cook; Maj. Baltazar; Major Vargas and Lt. Tongco.

Signed W. C. Brennan
WILLIAM C. BRENNAN

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February
1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
REC. PERS. DET.
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21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, WILLIAM C. BRENNAN, whose address is
395 Sikatuna St., Cebu City, being duly sworn
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The nature of this work was To check payrolls of the laborers,
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Cebu Adv. QM Depot.

2. This installation was ~~initiated~~, commandeered, ~~contracted~~ for
by USAFFE.

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When the war broke out on 8 Dec 1941, the USAFFE took control
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Japanese invasion fleet was sighted in the harbor.

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were
Lt. Arflect; Lt. Aranz and Col. Cook

6. We were last paid in full on 7 Apr 1942 to
include the 7 Apr 1942.

7. This installation was, ~~was~~ not molested by the enemy during
the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were
Lt. Arflect; Lt. Aranz; Col. Cook; Maj. Baltazar; Major
Vargas and Lt. Tongco.

Signed

Wm. C. Brennan
WILLIAM C. BRENNAN

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February
1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
REC. PERS. DET.
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APO 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, DIONISIO P. ANTIOQUIA, whose address is
7 B. Aranas St. Cebu City being duly sworn
according to law, depose and say that the following information
is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Capataz for the CEBU OM
ADVANCED DEPOT and I had approximately 20 men
under my control. My immediate superior was Mr. Saturnino Gayo
The nature of this work was to distribute all USAFFE
supplies from the Depot to in and outside the province of
Cebu

2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered~~, ~~contracted for~~
by USAFFE.
The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are _____
Not applicable

3. I was employed as Not employed before
commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed
in this capacity after applying to Mr. Saturnino Gayo

4. This job ceased on 9 April 1942 because I received
an order from Mr. Saturnino Gayo on 10 April 1942 early morning **
see over

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were _____
Mr. Saturnino Gayo and Mr. Daco (first name unknown)

6. We were last paid in full on 31 March 1942 to
include the 31 March 1942.

7. This installation ~~was~~, was not molested by the enemy during
the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were
Colonel Cook (first name unknown)

Signed Dionisio Antioquia
DIONISIO P. ANTIOQUIA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February
1946 at Cebu City, Philippines

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
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that we did not have any work because the Japanese ships
were already on the way to the harbor of Cebu and it was
risky to be on the job.

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APC 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, DIONISIO P. ANTIOQUIA, whose address is 7 B. Aranas St. Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Capataz for the CEBU QM ADVANCED DEPOT and I had approximately 20 men under my control. My immediate superior was Mr. Saturnino Gayo. The nature of this work was to distribute all USAFFE supplies from the Depot to in and outside the province of Cebu

2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered, contracted for~~ by USAFFE.

The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Not applicable

3. I was employed as Not employed before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Mr. Saturnino Gayo

4. This job ceased on 9 April 1942 because I received an order from Mr. Saturnino Gayo on 10 April 1942 early morning **

see over

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Mr. Saturnino Gayo and Mr. Daco (first name unknown)

6. We were last paid in full on 31 March 1942 to include the 31 March 1942

7. This installation ~~was~~, was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Colonel Cook (first name unknown)

Signed Dionisio Antioquia
DIONISIO P. ANTIOQUIA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
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that we did not have any work because the Japanese ships were already on the way to the harbor of Cebu and it was risky to be on the job.

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CEBU BRANCH

APD 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, DIONISIO P. ANTIOQUIA, whose address is 7 B. Aranas St. Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Capatax for the CEBU QM ADVANCED DEPOT and I had approximately 20 men under my control. My immediate superior was Mr. Saturnino Gayo. The nature of this work was to distribute all USAFFE supplies from the Depot to in and outside the province of Cebu

2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered, constructed~~ by USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Not applicable

3. I was employed as Not employed before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Mr. Saturnino Gayo

4. This job ceased on 9 April 1942 because I received an order from Mr. Saturnino Gayo on 10 April 1942 early morning ** see over

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Mr. Saturnino Gayo and Mr. Daco (first name unknown)

6. We were last paid in full on 31 March 1942 to include the 31 March 1942

7. This installation was, ~~xxx~~ was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Colonel Cook (first name unknown)

Signed Dionisio Antioquia
DIONISIO P. ANTIOQUIA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
REC. PERS. DET.
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that we did not have any work because the Japanese ships were already on the way to the harbor of Cebu and it was risky to be on the job.

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CEBU BRANCH

APO 718
20 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, SATURNINO V. BASCONIS, whose address is 55-H T. Padilla St., Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- I. That I was a Capataz at the Cebu Advanced Quartermaster Depot. The nature of my work was supervising the loading and unloading of supplies. There were approximately 25 men under my supervision. My immediate superior was Saturnino Yngayo.
- II. That I was hired 5th January 1942 by Saturnino Yngayo.
- III. That on 10th April 1942 I and 25 men under me ceased work because of the Japanese invasion. There was no order given to cease work.
- IV. That Saturnino Yngayo gave me money and I in turn paid my men. Captain Martin was responsible for the paying of all men working at Cebu Advanced Quartermaster Depot.
- V. That I and my men were paid in full to include 31st March 1942.
- VI. That there was an air raid shelter about 100 yards from the Depot. I think the Depot was bombed on December 8, 1941 but I am not sure.

Signed Saturnino Basconis
SATURNINO V. BASCONIS

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st Lt. Inf.
Rec. Pers. Det.
War Dept. Pay Claims

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20 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, SATURNINO V. BASCONIS, whose address is 55-H T. Padilla St., Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- I. That I was a Capataz at the Cebu Advanced Quartermaster Depot. The nature of my work was supervising the loading and unloading of supplies. There were approximately 25 men under my supervision. My immediate superior was Saturnino Yngayo.
- II. That I was hired 5th January 1942 by Saturnino Yngayo.
- III. That on 10th April 1942 I and 25 men under me ceased work because of the Japanese invasion. There was no order given to cease work.
- IV. That Saturnino Yngayo gave me money and I in turn paid my men. Captain Martin was responsible for the paying of all men working at Cebu Advanced Quartermaster Depot.
- V. That I and my men were paid in full to include 31st March 1942.
- VI. That there was an air raid shelter about 100 yards from the Depot. I think the Depot was bombed on December 8, 1941 but I am not sure.

Signed Saturnino Basconis
SATURNINO V. BASCONIS

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st Lt. Inf.
Rec. Pers. Det.
War Dept. Pay Claims

HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APO 718

4 March 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, EPIFANIO G. DELGADO, whose address is 36-D Calabba St. Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Capataz for the Cebu Adv. QM Depot and I had approximately 25 men under my control. My immediate superior was Mr. Saturnino Gayo. The nature of this work was Hauling of USAFFE supplies and materials in the City and Province of Cebu. I hired my men under my control. Tickets were issued to laborers for their daily pay. I was employed as Capataz from 20 Dec. 1941 to 5 April 1942.
See back

2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered by contract~~ by USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Not applicable

3. I was employed as NOT EMPLOYED before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Mr. Saturnino Gayo

4. This job ceased on Unknown because I transferred to Biasong Supply Depot on 6 April 1942. ** See back

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Mr. Saturnino Gayo

6. We were last paid in full on 5 April 1942 to include the 5 April 1942

7. This installation ~~was~~ was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project are Lt. Jensen, Col. Cook, Lt. Barga.

Signed E. G. Delgado
EPIFANIO G. DELGADO

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of March 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
REC. PERS. DET.
WAR DEPT. PAY CLAIMS

** 1.

List of men under my control:-

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| 1. Jose Macawili ----- | Laborer |
| 2. Obaldo Arong ----- | " |
| 3. Apolonio Siligue ----- | " |
| 4. Zacarias Bona ----- | " |
| 5. Francisco de Asis ----- | " |
| 6. Anastacio Mindoro ----- | " |
| 7. Pantaleon Verano ----- | " |
| 8. Narciso Tayuran ----- | " |
| 9. Catalino Togao ----- | " |
| 10. Felix Remocaldo ----- | " |
| 11. Natalio Saballa ----- | " |
| 12. Mario Hernandez ----- | " |
| 13. Julian Abella ----- | " |

The rest I can not remember.

** 4.

I was employed as Checker in Biasong Supply Depot from
6 April 1942 to 7 April 1942 under Captain Davis.

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RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APC 718
4 March 1946

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Signed

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CEBU BRANCH

AGO 718

4 March 1946

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See back

2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered~~, contracted for by USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are **Not applicable**

3. I was employed as **NOT EMPLOYED** before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to **Mr. Saturnino Gayo**

4. This job ceased on **Unknown** because **I transferred to Biasong Supply Depot on 6 April 1942.** ~~see back~~

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were **Mr. Saturnino Gayo**

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Signed

EPIFANIO G. DELGADO

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Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
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RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APO 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, PEDRO A. MABITAD, whose address is 191-C Int. B. Aranas St., Cebu City being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

I. That I was a Capataz in handling all USAFFE supplies in QM ADVANCED DEPOT, Cebu City and I had approximately 25 workers under my control. The nature of this work was to give supplies to all USAFFE men in and outside the province of Cebu.

That my immediate superiors were Mr. Saturnino Gayo, Foreman and Mr. Tomas Bullicer, Timekeeper.

II. That this job was commenced before 15 January 1942 and continued until 9 April 1942 but I was employed in this capacity on 15 January 1942.

That USAFFE officer in charge was Col. Cook (first name unknown). I did not know of any contract arrangement or whether it was attached to a Labor Battalion.

That this job ceased in the evening of 9 April 1942.

That I was not given any order to leave this job by any of my superiors. My reason was, Japanese ships were already on way to the harbor of Cebu.

III. That I received my pay from Mr. Daco on 6 April 1942 and was last paid to include 6 April 1942.

IV. That an air raid shelters about 100 meters from the Depot were provided to protect workers in the event of air raids. Prior to the 10th April 1942 no actual raids were made against this warehouse.

Witnessed by:

1. _____

2. _____

Signed

PEDRO A. MABITAD

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February
1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st Lt. Inf.
Rec. Pers. Det.
War Dept. Pay Claims

HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APO 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

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Witnessed by:

1. PFC D M Callahan

Signed

PEDRO A. MABITAD

2. _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February
1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st Lt. Inf.
Rec. Pers. Det.
War Dept. Pay Claims

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UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APO 718
23 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, AGUSTIN A. OCAÑADA, whose address is Basak, Pardo, Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as capataz for the Cebu Advance QM Depot and I had approximately 25 men under my control. My immediate superior was Saturnino Gayo. The nature of this work was We hauled food supplies from the ship to different towns where there were Army installations. The job commenced on 28 Dec. 1941. At the start of the job I had 25 men under me but there were times when I had 30 men under me. I was in charge for paying the men under me. I paid them P1.00 daily.
2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered, contracted for~~ by USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are does not apply
3. I was employed as in charge of classifying fiber &c before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Saturnino Gayo
4. This job ceased on 9 April 1942 because on 10 April 1942 the Cebu Advance QM Depot was on fire
5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Captain Martin
6. We were last paid in full on 5 April 1942 to include the 4 April 1942.
7. This installation was, ~~not~~ molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.
8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Capt. Davis, Lt. Patterson and Lt. Tongco.

Signed Agustín Ocañada

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
REC. PERS. DET.
WAR DEPT. PAY CLAIMS

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UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APO 718
23 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

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1. I was employed as capataz for the Cebu Advance QM Depot and I had approximately 25 men under my control. My immediate superior was Saturnino Gayo. The nature of this work was We hauled food supplies from the ship to different towns where there were Army installations. The job commenced on 26 Dec. 1941. At the start of the job I had 25 men under me but there were times when I had 30 men under me. I was in charge for paying the men under me. I paid them P1.00 daily.

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Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
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Appear on Payrolls
of QM Depot

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UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APO 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, GENARO M. PALOMAR, whose address is D-1 Caimeto Avenue, Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- I. That I was Assistant Paymaster for Cebu Advanced Quartermaster Depot, US Army. I was Assistant Paymaster for the following installations:

QUARtermaster MOTOR POOL which dispatched vehicles for Quartermaster Depot.
US QUARANTINE STATION which inspected incoming ships.
M. P. VEHICLE OPERATORS
QUARtermaster DEPOT which included shipping and receiving of supplies.
USAFFE PAYROLL which included demolition and making of air raid shelters, intelligence work and personnel of the Commanding Officer.
ENGINEER DEPOT which included such defense work as Camp X and Camp 9.
MEDICAL DEPOT which included Base X Hospital.
SHELTER HALVES and Canteen Section which includes painting of canvas and locally made canteens.
COMMANDEERED SHIPS which include: "Surigao", "P. Aboitez", "Agustina", "Rizal", "Emilia", "Princess of Cebu", "F. Escaño", "Governor Taft", "Governor Smith", "Bolinao", "Princesa", "Katipunan", "Pacita", "Maayo", "Texaco Estrella", "Luzon", "Panay", "Mayon", "Regulus", "Perla del Oriente".

That the above mentioned ships were paid by the Advanced Quartermaster Depot until February 15, 1942 at which time they were transferred to the Army Transport Service.

- II. That the method of paying was: War Department pay rolls were prepared in triplicate by me and the employees were paid by Capt. Fredrick A. Bowen who secured the money from USAFFE Finance Department. The payrolls for Camp X and White Horse Inn were prepared by Capt. Minier and Mr. J. R. Lawrence who came to our office to secure the money.

That the payrolls prepared by me which included approximately 600 names were last paid in full on 1 April 1942 to include the 31st March 1942.

- III. That I did not go to the Office on the 10th of April because there was no transportation available. Worked ceased on the 10th of April because the Depot was blasted to prevent its falling to the Japanese.

- IV. That the names of USAFFE Officers in charge were Colonel J. D. Cook, QMC; Colonel Paul F. Beard, FD; Major Arthur B. Carlton, QMC; Major Rufus H. Rogers, F. S.; Major Terries, FS USN; Lt. William McGiboney, USN; Lt. Hoffman, USN; Lt. Edward L. Short, QMC; Lt. A. C. Affleck, QMC; Lt. Carl Avenz, QMC.

Signed

Genaro M. Palomar
GENARO M. PALOMAR

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February
1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st Lt. Inf.
Rec. Pers. Det.
War Dept. Pay Claims

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RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

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Robert G. Smith
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War Dept. Pay Claims

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UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APO 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, CARIDAD V. CROWE, whose address is San Jose St., Cebu City being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Stenographer-Crypt for the CEBU ADVANCED QUARTERMASTER DEPOT and I had approximately none men under my control. My immediate superior was Col. J. D. Cook. The nature of this work was I was a stenographer for Col. Cook Commanding Officer of the Depot. In addition to this I decoded and encode all messages for the QM Depot and the A.T.S. I was employed in this capacity from 15 Dec. 1941 to 13 May 1942. I estimate there were between 50 and 60 civilians working in this office. The pay records fell into the hands of Bowen, a civilian paymaster.

2. This installation was initiated, ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ by USAFFE.

The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are _____
Does not apply

3. I was employed as Stenog. for Standard Oil Vacuum Co. before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Col. Cook

4. This job ceased on 13 May because after the Jap invasion I accompanied Col. Cook to the mountains where we were *

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were _____
unknown

6. We were last paid in full on 2nd April 1942 to include the 31st March 1942.

7. This installation was, ~~was not~~ molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Col. J. D. Cook, Major A. B. Carlton, Ex. Officer, Lt. D. C. Aflick QMC Lt. Carl Arenz, Col. Beard, A. T. S.

Signed Caridad V. Crowe

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
REC. PERS. DET.
WAR DEPT. PAY CLAIMS

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UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES WESTERN PACIFIC
RECOVERED PERSONNEL DIVISION
CEBU BRANCH

APC 718
21 February 1946

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4. This job ceased on 13 May because after the Jap invasion I accompanied Col. Cook to the mountains where we were *
5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were unknown
6. We were last paid in full on 2nd April 1942 to include the 31st March 1942.
7. This installation was, ~~xxxxxx~~ molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.
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Signed

Caridad V. Crowe

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Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
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WAR DEPT. PAY CLAIMS

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6. We were last paid in full on 2nd April 1942 to include the 31st March 1942.

7. This installation was, ~~was not~~ molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Col. J. B. Cook, Major A. B. Carlton, Ex. Officer, Lt. D. C. Afflick and Lt. Carl Arenz, Col. Beard, A. T. B.

Signed Caridad V. Crowe

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
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*4. ordered to surrender on 13 May 1942.

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CEBU BRANCH

APC 718
20 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, ROSENDO A. CATALYA, whose address is 133 Sanciangko St., Cebu City being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief :

I. That I was Capataz at Cebu Advanced Quartermaster Depot commencing work 17 December 1941. I had 15 workers under my control.

That the nature of this was painting tents and water canteens, and hauling dynamite from Camp 7 to Cebu Advanced Qm Depot.

That my immediate superior was Mr. Varian, in charge of the Warehouse.

II. That this job was commenced on 17 Dec. 1941 and continued until 9 April 1942. I was on my way to Cebu Advanced QM Depot on 10 April 1942 when I heard the news of Japanese invasion. I did not report to the office but returned to my home and evacuated to Minglanilla.

III. That we were paid in full to include 3 April 1942 on 3 April 1942 by Capt. Bowen.

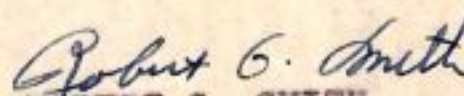
IV. That an air raid shelter 100 meters from the Depot was provided to protect workers in the event of an air raid.

That during the time I was in the Depot it was not bombed or strafed.

Signed


ROSENDO A. CATALYA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.


ROBERT G. SMITH
1st Lt. Inf.
Rec. Pers. Det.
War Dept. Pay Claims

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ROSENDO A. CATALYA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st Lt. Inf.
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Philippine Army
Employees

Tapia, Pedro
Alcantara, Domingo

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APC 718

23 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, Pedro Tapia, whose address is Naga, Cebu, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Capataz for the Cebu Adv. QM Depot and I had approximately 28 men under my control. My immediate superior was Lt. Gopiz. The nature of this work was Distributing the foodstuffs from Balirong to Mainit. I hired these men and took charge of their pay until our work ceased.

2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered~~, ~~contracted~~ for ~~by~~ USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Does not apply.

3. I was employed as Fisherman before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Lt. Yway.

4. This job ceased on 2 April 1942 because I evacuated my family to the mountains.

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Mr. Florindo.

6. We were last paid in full on 1 April 1942 to include the 31st of March 1942.

7. This installation ~~was~~ was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Lt. Gopiz
Lt. Yway

Signed Pedro Tapia

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
REC. PERS. DET.
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*CO Daniel J. Way
2nd Cebu Prov. Co.*

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23 February 1946

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2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered~~, ~~contracted~~ for by USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Does not apply.

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Lt. Yway

Signed Pedro Tapia

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines

Robert G. Smith
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Appears to have worked
on a piece contract,
not as an employee
of the Army

Lt David A. K. was the
Procurement Officer

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APO 718
22 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, Domingo Alcantara, whose address is Bulacao, Talisay, Cebu being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Capataz for the USAFFE Cebu Adv. QM Depot and I had approximately 27 men under my control. My immediate superior was Lt. Tolentino.
The nature of this work was

Bringing the food supplies of the USAFFE to Uling and Balirong, and place them in small houses.

2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered~~, ~~contracted~~ for ~~by~~ USAFFE.

The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Does not apply.

3. I was employed as Laborer for Lagtang Def. Work before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Lt. Tolentino

4. This job ceased on 5 April 1942 because The work was over.

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Capt. Dator
Capt. Solis

6. We were last paid in full on Not paid to include the None.

7. This installation ~~was~~, was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Lt. Narciso Nacario
Lt. Simeon Basillote

Signed Domingo Alcantara

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
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22 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, Domingo Alcantara, whose address is Bulacao, Talisay, Cebu, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Capataz for the USAFFE Cebu Adv. OH Depot and I had approximately 27 men under my control. My immediate superior was Lt. Tolentino. The nature of this work was

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Signed Domingo Alcantara

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Robert G. Smith
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I, Domingo Alcantara, whose address is Dumaso, Talisay, Cebu, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Captain for the USAFPE Cebu Adv. Depot and I had approximately 27 men under my control. My immediate superior was Lt. Tolentino. The nature of this work was Bringing the food supplies of the USAFFE to Uling and Balirong, and place them in small houses.

2. This installation was initiated, ~~commandeered~~, ~~contracted~~ for ~~by~~ USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are Does not apply.

3. I was employed as Laborer for Lagtang Def. Work before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Lt. Tolentino

4. This job ceased on 5 April 1942 because The work was over.

5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Capt. Lator
Capt. Solis

6. We were last paid in full on Not paid to include the None.

7. This installation ~~was~~, was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.

8. The names of USAFFE officers connected with this project were Lt. Narciso Macario
Lt. Sison Bacillote

Signed Domingo Alcantara

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines

Robert G. Smith
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APO 718
21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

I, ANTONIO C. NACORDA, whose address is Basak, San Nicolas, Cebu City, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that the following information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I was employed as Blacksmith for the Cebu Adv. QM Depot, Cebu City, and I had approximately 42 men under my control. My immediate superior was Lt. Affect. The nature of this work was To fabricate native bolos for the exclusive use of USAFFE soldiers. The demension of the bolo was 1 ft. by 2 inches including the handle.
2. This installation was ~~initiated~~/~~commandeered~~, contracted for by USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are The contracts specifies that for every bolo made the amount of P0.40 will be paid a piece. A total of 140 pieces of bolo can be made for a whole day's work.
3. I was employed as Blacksmith before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Lt. Affect
4. This job ceased on 10 Apr 1942 because The Japanese soldiers have occupied part of the City of Cebu.
5. The officers responsible for paying the employees were Captain Byrd
6. We were last paid in full on middle part of Mar 1942 to include the middle part of Mar 1942.
7. This installation ~~was~~, was not molested by the enemy during the period of my employment.
8. The names of USAFFE Officers connected with this project were Lt. Affect and Lt. Hansen

Signed

Antonio C. Nacorda
ANTONIO C. NACORDA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
1st LT. INF.
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21 February 1946

A F F I D A V I T

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2. This installation was ~~in the city of Cebu~~, contracted for by USAFFE. The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are The contracts specifies that for every bolo made the amount of \$0.40 will be paid a piece. A total of 140 pieces of bolo can be made for a whole day's work.
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Signed

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ANTONIO C. NACORDA

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Robert G. Smith
ROBERT G. SMITH
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2. This installation was ~~located in the city of Cebu~~, contracted for by USAFFE.

The facts concerning the commandeering or contract are The contracts specifies that for every bolo made the amount of 20.40 will be paid a piece. A total of 140 pieces of bolo can be made for a whole day's work.

3. I was employed as Blacksmith before commencing work in the above mentioned capacity. I was employed in this capacity after applying to Lt. Arlect

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Signed

Antonio G. Nacorda
ANTONIO G. NACORDA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of February 1946 at Cebu City, Philippines.

Robert G. Smith
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1. The activity is referred to in the basic check note and affidavit attached as "USAFPE Quartermaster Supply Depot." There is no information to indicate whether this installation was a Philippine Army project or an activity of the United States Army. It is my belief that practically all of the units in the Southern Islands were Philippine Army units. The term USAFPE has been loosely used in this theater to designate PA units and personnel ordered into the armed forces of the United States, although technically it applied to all of the forces in the Far East.

2. The organized military forces of the government of the Philippines were called into service by the President on 26 July 1942, and placed "under the command of a General Officer to be designated by the Secretary of War." Gen. MacArthur was designated as the Commanding General of the new Far East command. Shortly after he received command he issued a statement in which it was said:

"The plan envisions an immediate construction program at strategic localities to house the thousands of reservists involved as well as the intensive development of new air fields for the rapidly expanding air forces. All Philippine elements which come under American control will maintain their national integrity. They will retain their own uniforms, their own scale of pay, their own promotion list, their own rations, and their own code of military law. Their training, however, will be under the immediate direction of the officers of the American Army. On muster into the American services they will be paid and supplied from American sources."

(See pages 16 and 17. The Philippine Army: Its establishment, organization and legal basis, by Philippine Research and Information, USAFPE, dated 26 Jan. 1945.) In a letter signed by Carl H. Seale, Adjutant General, USAFPE, 2 Sept 1941, it was said:

"The United States Government has adopted the policy of using the agency of the Philippine Army in the employment of the manpower of the Philippines. The Philippine Army, retaining its own identity, will serve side by side with the United States under a single command."

3. The separate identity of the Philippine Army was expressly recognized by the Congress of the United States in that separate appropriations have been made for its operation and maintenance.

According to Gen. Fitch these funds were and are being expended by Philippine Army disbursing officers in accordance with Philippine laws and regulations, subject to review by the Commanding General, USAFPE or his successor in command.

4. Civilian employees of the Philippine Army have been considered to be employees of the Philippine Commonwealth and not employees of the United States. (See ltr, Gen. Fitch to CP Hanson, Deputy Commissioner, U. S. Employees Compensation Commission dated 2 Oct 1945.) Section VIII of the War Department plan expressly states that civilian employees of the Commonwealth of the Philippines do not come under the provisions of the Missing Persons Act.

5. In view of the fact that most of the troops and installations in the Southern Islands were Philippine Army, and since it is likely that most of the persons referred to in the basic check note were employed by Philippine Army units, it is my opinion that it should be determined in every case, if possible, whether the unit or installation in which a claimant was employed was a Philippine Army or U. S. Army unit or installation. This would require accumulation of information and data from officers who know the facts and a vast amount of time would be consumed before the information can be gathered and conclusions reached which would enable this division to determine whether each claimant was an employee of the Philippine Army or the U. S. Army. Therefore a practical solution must be reached which will permit the adjudication of claims pending the accumulation of such facts. This I believe is possible.

6. The affidavits attached to basic check note show that most of the laborers were hired under the "cabo" system to haul and store supplies and materials during the period between 16 March and 7 April 1942. These individuals would under such facts be local labor casually hired.

7. I therefore recommend:

a. That all laborers on the project who were hired under the cabo system on a per diem basis be determined not to be War Department Employees for the Missing Persons Act for the following reasons to be stated in the determination:

(1) Evidence available, is insufficient to establish that subject was an employee of the War Department and was not an employee of the Philippine Army.

(2) If subject were employed by the U. S. Army he would be a local laborer casually hired and not within the provisions of the Missing Persons Act.

b. That all persons who were employed less than 30 days be treated the same as the above.

c. That an investigation be made to determine whether this activity was a Philippine Army project or U. S. Army activity and that claims of individuals who allege that they were employed on a monthly basis be suspended pending accumulation of facts and further consideration of whether the project can be classified as temporary or emergency and if so whether this is sufficient to justify a determination that such persons are not within the act.

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H. W. R.

(3) FROM: Dir, Rec Pers Div TO: CTC, Civ Sec,
Rec Pers Div

DATE: 11 May 1946

Attention invited to recommendations contained in par 7
previous C/N which are approved. It is desired that you insti-
gate the necessary farther investigation through the medium of
the I & R Branch.

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H. H. M.

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