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W/2 DOMINGA

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The two affidavits originally signed
by the ship's capt. gave conflicting
dates of commandeering

1st - Mid-November 1741

2nd - 16 December 1741

When questioned, Captain countered that
his memory failed him, and consequently
changed date of commandeering (in
affidavit of 3 Nov 1745) to 16 November 1741

Gustave C. Beach, Jr.
1st Lt Inf

Note conflicting dates of the two captains.
The latter says that Panaguiton was wounded,
and that he relieved him on 10 January 1742,
whereas Panaguiton swears that he was
captain until 15 April 1742.

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CERTIFICATE

I, Telesforo Panaguiton, do hereby certify that the men named below served as the crew of the M/L "Domingo" as of 15 April 1942.

I further certify that these men served in the capacity shown and were payed the indicated salaries which were payed by the Visayan Stevedoring Co. even though the M/L "Domingo" was commandeered by the USAFFE on 16 November 1941. *ACB*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Deck Department		
Telesforo Panaguiton	Captain	₱ 80.00
Patrocinio Fernandez	Quartermaster	20.00
Felipe Dias	Crew	15.00
Felix Janducayan	Cook	15.00
Engine Department		
Deogracias Geagoni	Chief Engineer	80.00
Lorenzo Janducayan	Ass't Engineer	25.00
Nicolasito Janducayan	Oiler	15.00

I further certify that all crew members served continuously between the date of commandeering and 15 April 1942.

T. Panaguiton
TELESFORO PANAGUITON
Captain, M/L Domingo

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of November, 1945, at the City of Ilqilo, Philippines.

Gustave C. Boesch, Jr.
GUSTAVE C. BOESCH
1st. Lt., Inf.

AFFIDAVIT

We, Telesoro Panaguiton and Deogracias Geagoni of lawful age and resident of the City of Iloilo, Philippines, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say as follows:

That the former is a duly licensed Minor Patron, Merchant Marine of the Philippines and the latter Deogracias Geagoni a duly licensed 3rd. Motor Eng., Marine of the Philippines as evidenced by the records of the Bureau of Custom thereof.

That the former Telesoro Panaguiton was in Command of the Motor Launch "Dominga" and the latter was the Chief Eng. of said Motor Launch of the Visayan Stevedoring & Transportation Co.

That on or about the middle of November, 1941, our Motor Launch with its compliment was transferred to the United States Armed forces in the Far East (USAFFE) and served as Motor Launch Coast Army Patrol, transporting soldiers and war Munitions and planting mines through the Iloilo Strait, under the Army Port-Quartermaster on this island.

That on April 16, 1942 the Japanese Task Forces landed and entered this City thereby the whole compliment including our selves had abandoned our ship and disperse to take shelter in the mountains of Barrio Cunaynay between Sta. Barbara and Zaraga and the mountains of Batabat, Panit-an, Capiz.

That the steps taken by us in abandoning our ship was the most prudent way to save our lives under the circumstances.

That according to our best information our Launch "Dominga" was captured and lately used by the Japanese Task Forces as Transport.

City of Iloilo, June 29, 1945

T. Panaguiton
Capt

D. GEAGONIS
Chief Eng.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th of June day of 1945. Iloilo City, Philippines.

RUFERTO TUERES
Deputy Clerk of Court
Province of Iloilo

TRUE COPY

Gustave C. Boesch, Jr.
GUSTAVE C. BOESCH Jr.
1st Lt. Inf

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. Telesforo Panaguiton was employed by the Visayan Stevedore Transportation Co. as patron of its motor launch DOMINGA from February 1940 to about the middle of November 1941 when said launch was commandeered by the USAFFE and all the crew, both deck and engine departments, was retained by the USAFFE.

Iloilo 1st Nov 1945

VISAYAN STEVEDORE TRANSPORTATION CO

per:

Sgd

A. H. TAYLOR

TRUE COPY

Gustave C. Boesch, Jr.

GUSTAVE C. BOESCH Jr
1st Lt. Inf

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CERTIFICATE

I, DIONISIO DE LA VEGA, relief Patron of M/L "DOMINGA" do hereby certify the following statements are true and complete to the best of my knowledge:

That I relieved Telesforo Panaguiton, then Patron of said vessel, on 10 Jan. 1942, at Iloilo, by order of Capt. Xaudaro, Capt. of Port;

I relieved Skipper Panaguiton, because he was wounded in the knee as a result of a Japanese air raid.

That said vessel was used for towing barges, and once or twice it also carried troops to Negros. Said vessel towed two barges to Taminla River to hide. It also towed barges of oil and coal to transport but in the bay;

That I was last paid in full, including my crew, on 25 March 1942. That I left the M/L "DOMINGA" on above date after being paid and told that there would be no more work for me. But I still would report to the office of the Visayan Stevedore Transportation Co., in the morning and if there was no labor to perform there I would work for any one needing my help;

That including myself, seven men served aboard this vessel;

That I remember the name of but one man who served under me; Diosdado Cuare, Quartermaster;

That I left the vessel in Iloilo, after being paid by V.S.T. Co., on 25 March 1942, and my knowledge of activities of M/L "DOMINGA" terminates as of that date.

Dionisio De La Vega

DIONISIO DE LA VEGA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of November, 1945, at Iloilo City, Iloilo, Panay.

Lucien W. Rolland

LUCIEN W. ROLLAND
2d Lt., Infantry.

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A F F I D A V I T

I, DIONISIO DE LA VEGA, of age, married, Filipino, and a resident of the City of Iloilo, Philippines, after being duly sworn in accordance with law, depose and say:

That I was the PATRON (RELIEF) of the M/L DOMINGA belonging to the Visayan Stevedore Transportation Company from January 10, 1942 to February 25, 1942, with a weekly salary of \$20.00;

That during my incumbency as Patron of the M/L DOMINGA I was engaged in many activities such as towing barges under the control of the USAFFE loaded with war materials from many points in the port of the City of Iloilo. We also ferried USAFFE officers and men to and from ships lying at the Iloilo strait and to points in Guimaras Island particularly at Jordan where two USAFFE American Majors went on inspection of the Mollases tanks thereat. One time while we were off Aboc, Lapaz, Iloilo, a Jap plane swoop down at us firing machine guns hitting the prow damaging it. No casualties was recorded due to our timely ran for cover. Twice also we were machine gunned by Jap planes in the course of our operations in the places above indicated.

That we served the USAFFE on the M/L DOMINGA upon orders of Captain Xaudaro, then Captain of the Port of the City of Iloilo who ordered us to place the vessel and ourselves at the disposal and control of the USAFFE;

That in view of the fact that we were engaged in work principally connected with the war as shown by the nature of our job and the orders given us by the USAFFE officers, and the further fact that we were operating always under the threat of attack by the enemy as in fact we were attacked, we fully believed and worked upon the belief that we were Civilian Employees of the USAFFE. The M/S DOMINGA was all that time under the full control and supervision by the USAFFE;

That I have subscribed to this affidavit in order that due to the risks and dangers to our lives during our service to the USAFFE occasioned by our faith that as Civilian Employees of the USAFFE, we might be entitled to some benefits or rewards by reason thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF; I hereunto set my hand in the City of Iloilo, this 7th day of November, 1945.

Dionisio de la Vega
DIONISIO DE LA VEGA

Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of Nov.,

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1945, in the City of Iloilo, Philippines; affiant exhibited to me his Residence Certificate No. A 121737, issued in the City of Iloilo, Philippines, on May 4, 1945.

[Handwritten Signature]

Assistant City Fiscal
City of Iloilo

That during my incumbency as Mayor of the City of Iloilo, I was engaged in many activities which are now being carried out by the City of Iloilo. I was in control of the City of Iloilo from the time I was elected Mayor in 1945 until I was elected Governor of the Philippines in 1948. I was in control of the City of Iloilo from the time I was elected Mayor in 1945 until I was elected Governor of the Philippines in 1948. I was in control of the City of Iloilo from the time I was elected Mayor in 1945 until I was elected Governor of the Philippines in 1948.

That I have submitted to this affidavit in order that due to the rights and interests of our lives during our tenure in the City of Iloilo, we might be entitled to some benefits or awards by reason thereof.

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(Paloon Bay, Mindana)
SS Don Esteban (1) reported bombed & crippled 1 Mar 42
by ~~Fernandez~~ & Felix F. Garcia. Status crew
held in tact at Cebu until Japs took Batan 9 Apr.

(2) Reported sunk in Paloon Bay, Mindana 8 Mar 42.
Crew held in tact until 31 Mar 42 then disbanded
case of Eugenio A. Franteras.

(3) Work of crew ceased as of 31 Mar 42 as ship was
set fire & burning at Paloon Bay, Mindana - no mention of
hopping at earlier date - Margarito Peralta C/ Stewart.

M/L "Dominga"

Used for postal work - date unknown

Owned by Visayan Stevedore Trans. Co.

Entered gov't service - No exact info.

Present whereabouts unknown.

Crew

Name	Position	Rate of Pay	Act. of Serv.
Joaquin Paraguiton	Captain	\$ 80.-	
Pedro Ferrer	D. M.	20.-	
Stipe Aian	Crew	15.-	
Felix Janducayan	Cook	15.-	
Georgio Leonor	Ch. Engr.	80.-	
Luigi Janducayan	Asst. Engr.	25.-	
Nicolas Janducayan	Wife	15.-	

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Remarks: Info from A 75 Min Info Field # 1
Affid of J. Paraguiton dtd. 3 Nov. 45

Panaguitan, Tellefaro

Captain

M/L Daminga

Date entered govt service

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

Fernandez, Patricia

M/L Damings

Quarter aster

Date entered gov't service:

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Solan, Felipe

M/L Samiriga

Date entered govt service

Date last paid:

Crew

Place:

By whom:

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Jandurayan, Felix

Cook

M/L Domingo

Date entered govt service

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Grogoni, Gregacias

Chief Engineer

M/L Domingo

Date entered gov't service

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Janducayan, Lorenzo
M/L Domingo

Asst. Engr.

Date entered gov't service:

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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Jandawayan, Nicobaris

Ciler

M/L Lamings

Date entered govt service:

Place:

Date last paid:

By whom:

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