

PROJECT 004

SO # 13 81st DIV AREA  
22 MAY 42

Date project initiated 3 JUN 57

Date project completed 4 JUN 57

Action recommended ACCEPTABLE

Action taken ACCEPTED; CARDED & FILED  
23 MAY 58

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SUBJECT: Project 004 - Special Orders Number 13, 81st Division Area

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6. Of the 10 individuals involved 2 are negative to VA. One was previously certified positive and later changed to negative (probably could be adjudicated positive on basis of current policy). The other negative to VA was positive for guerrilla service. Guerrilla archives indicate S/I was a USAFFE of the 81st Division and it also appears that it too could be determined positive for USAFFE service.

7. It is recommended that the attached copy of para 3, 4 and 5, Special Orders number 13, Lanao Sector Force, 81st Division Area, In the Field, dated 22 May 42 be accepted as authentic, since the majority of individuals allegations are compatible with the order in question regarding name, rank and organizations, seven of the ten have sufficient archives to establish service and the order is compatible in every respect with those on file.

8. In view of the foregoing it is recommended that para 3, 4 and 5 Special Orders Number 13, Lanao Sector Forces, 81st Division Area, In the Field, dated 22 May 42 be carded, cards placed in Master Card file and para 3, 4 and 5, SO # 13 be filed in folder number 86, decimal equivalent 300.4.

2 Incl

1. Cy para 3, 4 & 5 SO # 13
2. Work sheet

*Russell E. Tilly*  
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Management Analyst,  
RPR Br

*Recommend approval*

*at J. J. J.*  
23 May 58

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*S.O. has been  
Carded and cards indexed  
in Master Card file  
23 May 58  
@ Miller*

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*23 May 58*  
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# DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

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AGAR-RSUBJECT Project 004 - Special Orders Number 13,  
81st Division Area

TO	FROM	DATE	COMMENT NO. 1
Chief, RPR Branch	Hqs, RPR Branch	23 May 58	Mr. Tilly/nm/755

1. This project was initiated in an attempt to verify the authenticity of para. 3, 4 and 5, Special Orders Number 13, Lanao Sector Forces, 81st Division Area, In the Field, dated 22 May 42 which was submitted in the case of Antonio V. Almendrala.

2. The aforementioned order contains the names of 10 Philippine Army Personnel which shows promotions. All available 201 files of the individuals appearing on that order were examined and the following information was obtained.

a. 201 files for all 10 individuals were located.

b. Certifications to VA

1 certified positive

2 certified negative

7 no certification

c. Certifications to WCC

5 certified positive

2 certified negative

3 no certification

d. Only one 201 file contained a copy of the SO in question. The copy was withdrawn and is the one under study.

e. 7 individuals already have sufficient archives to establish their USAFFE service.

f. Except for one individual (a death case), they allege they held the grade shown on SO # 13.

g. Except for 2 individuals (death cases), they allege they were promoted on or about 1 May 42 (the effective date of promotion shown on SO # 13) and 3 individuals allege the authority for promotion as SO # 13.

3. The signature of Juan A. Rivera, the officer signing SO # 13, has been carefully examined and compared with his signature in his 201 and is determined to be authentic.

4. Juan A. Rivera, O-24 550 was the Adjutant General of the 81st Division. He

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ARMY SECTION REPORT  
In the Field

22 May 1943

OFFICE OF THE  
ADJUTANT GENERAL

PROMOTIONS

3. The following named enlisted men on duty with the 1-3 Section, Lamo Sector Force, 81st Division Area, in the Field, for proven efficiency and loyalty and to fill existing vacancies in accordance with the Table of Organization, are hereby promoted to the grades indicated effective 1 May 1943:

To be Sergeant

Pvt. Antonio Villacampa 841-43-8011978

To be Corporal

Pfc. James Barton Galen-B-11907

4. The following named enlisted man on duty with the office of the Division Finance Officer, 81st Division Area, in the Field, for proven efficiency and loyalty and to fill existing vacancies in accordance with the Table of Organization, are hereby promoted to the grades indicated effective 1 May 1943:

To be Staff Sergeant

Pfc. Antonio Almendra (ASN unknown)

To be Sergeant

Pvt. Jose Almendra (ASN Unknown)

5. The following named enlisted men of the Headquarters Detachment, Lamo Sector Force, 81st Division Area, in the Field, for proven efficiency and loyalty and to fill existing vacancies in accordance with the Table of Organization are hereby promoted to the grades indicated effective 1 May 1943:

To be Master Sergeant

T-Sgt. Juanito Galili 841-43-8011978

To be First Sergeant

Sgt. Cristobal Hilario 841-43-8011978

To be Technical Sergeant

Sgt. Francisco Laurel 841-43-8011978  
Sgt. Miguel Arana 841-43-8011978

To be Staff Sergeant

Cpl. Marcelo Ramos 841-43-8011978  
Cpl. Jose Zamora 841-43-8011978

By command of Brigadier General [Name]

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Major, Adjutant General

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NO. #	201 FILE		NAME	RANK 22 MAY 42	SN	ORGAN. AS OF 22 MAY 42	USAFCE		CERT. TO WCC		CY OF 50 IN	ARCHIVING PROOF
	YES	NO					CERT. TO VA	POB	NEG	NOVE		
1	✓		VILLACAMPA, ANTONIO N.	3d Lt.	841-HS-SC-1197	G-2 SEC, 81st DIV PA	✓		✓		NO	NONE
2	✓		BERTOS, SABAS B.	SGT.	841-HS-E 080017	81st DIV HQ		✓	✓		NO	POW Record NSLI
3	✓		ALMENDRALA, ANTONIO V.	s/Sgt.	121270	Fin. Sr., 81st Div		✓	✓		YES	San Francisco Cleveland; Cape, POW Rec. Manila, Iloilo; Panama & Manila Tribune.
4	✓		ALMENDRALA, JOSE V.	Sgt.	NR	Fin. Sr. 81st Div (PA)	✓			✓	NO	Malabalar POW Rec.
5	✓		BALILI, JUANITO V.	M/Sgt.	156023	81st Sig Co, 81st Div (PA)		✓	✓		NO	Strength Report dec 41; NSLI
6	✓		BILARDO, CRISTUTO B.	1st Lt.	220118 98592	Hq. 1st Lt., 81st Div (PA)		✓	✓		NO	POW Rec., NSLI
7	✓		LAUREL, FRANCISCO D.	T/Sgt.	131224	Sig Co, 81st Div (PA)		✓	✓		NO	POW Rec.
8	✓		ARANA, MIGUEL F.	T/Sgt.	066490	do		✓	✓		NO	Alleges promoted to T/Sgt per 3013, 23 May 42, eff 1 May 42.
9	✓		RAMOS, MARCELO A.	s/Sgt.	841-HS-S-11773	do	✓			✓	NO	NONE
10	✓		CABPERA, JOSE M.	s/Sgt.	0-36556	do		✓	✓		NO	NONE
11												
12												

Read 9 Oct 45 - 100 pgs 23. Orig cert to VA shows S/L per USAFFE w/grade of Sgt. I decide he was promoted to Sgt in May 42. From his form 23 it appears he was a Capt in May 42. This 201 contained 3013 we are making this study on.

S/L died 9 Oct 45.

Alleges promoted to M/Sgt per 3011, 1 May 42, authorized by Gen. Co. C. Fort

Alleges promoted to 1st Sgt 17 May 42 per authority unknown.

He alleges promoted to T/Sgt 1 May 42, per authority unknown.

Alleges promoted to 2nd Sgt on 3 May 42, authority not shown (w/ proper files). S/L died 28 Sept 45.

Alleges promoted to s/Sgt, 1 May 42, authority unknown.

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LANAO SECTOR FORCE  
31ST DIVISION AREA  
In the Field

22 May 1942

SPECIAL ORDERS

NUMBER .....13

(E X T R A C T)

3. The following named enlisted men on duty with the G-3 Section, Lanao Sector Force, 31st Division Area, In the Field, for proven efficiency and loyalty and to fill existing vacancies in accordance with the Table of Organization, are hereby promoted to the grades indicated effective 1 May 1942:

To be Sergeant

1 Pvt. Antonio Villasampa 841-HB-3C11972

To be Corporal

2 Pfc. Sabas Bertos 841-HB-E-11907

4. The following named enlisted man on duty with the office of the Division Finance Officer, 31st Division Area, In the Field for proven efficiency and loyalty and to fill existing vacancies in accordance with the Table of Organization, are hereby promoted to the grades indicated effective 1 May 1942:

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3 Pfc. Antonio Almendrala (ASN unknown)

To be Sergeant

4 Pvt. Jose Almendrala (ASN Unknown)

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To be Sergeant

5 Sgt. Juanito Millis 841-HB-3C11972

To be First Sergeants

6 Sgt. Cristato Hilario 98592

To be Sergeant 1st Sergeants

7 Sgt. Manuel Laurel 839 - 8809

To be Staff Sergeants

9 Sgt. Marcelo Lopez 841-HB-3C11972

10 Sgt. Jose Cabrera 841-HB-3C11972

Command of Brigadier General

27 May 42  
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