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CHAP. 716 - An Act To recognize commissioned service in the Philippine Constabulary in determining rights of officers of the Regular Army.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in determining the pay period and rights of retirement in the case of officers of the Regular Army, active duty performed as an officer of the Philippine Constabulary shall be credited to the same extent as service under a Regular Army commission or other active duty recognized under the provisions of section 127a of the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916, as amended by the Act of June 4, 1920.

Approved, May 23, 1928.

AGAR-RC 201 Banaga, Pedro
(22 Jan 57)

Mr. Pedro Banaga
1741 Melrose Avenue
Seattle 22, Washington

Dear Mr. Banaga:

I am referring to your letter of 22 January 1957 requesting a duplicate copy of your Philippine Constabulary discharge certificate for use in connection with employment purposes.

The records of former members of the Philippine Constabulary on file in this office are those records which pertain to personnel of the organized military forces of the Commonwealth of the Philippines who were called and ordered into the service of the Armed Forces of the United States by Military Order of the President of the United States dated 26 July 1941.

Since your service in the Philippine Constabulary is alleged to have occurred during the years 1923 to 1926, which was prior to the effective date of the above mentioned Military Order, the records pertinent thereto are not in the custody of this office and, therefore, I am unable to comply with your request for a duplicate copy of the discharge certificate in question.

In view of the foregoing, it is suggested that you direct your request to the Adjutant General of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, Camp Murphy, Quezon City, Philippines, who may be of assistance to you in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

DAVID H. ARP
Colonel, AGC
Commanding

Constabulary Service.

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Mr. Service*

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HEADQUARTERS
ADJUTANT GENERAL RECORDS DEPOSITORY
PHILIPPINES COMMAND
UNITED STATES ARMY

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APO 900
5 July 1949

SUBJECT: List of Pre War Philippine Constabulary
Units.

TO : The Adjutant General
Armed Forces of the Philippines
Headquarters National Defense Forces
Camp Murphy, Quezon City
(ATTENTION: Chief, Historical Division)

1. Attached herewith is the list of Pre-War Philippine Constabulary Units which was furnished by your division to this headquarters. With regards to the units listed in No. 3, District of Southern Luzon, clarification is requested as to whether the 1st and 2d Mindanao Companies shown on the right hand column are only typographical errors. If so, it is requested that appropriate corrections be made.

2. We take this opportunity in extending to you our appreciation for the cooperation that you have been extending to this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl: a/s

P. M. BAKEN
Major Inf
Chief, Veterans Branch
Service & Certification Division

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Mr. Aluniz to HND7. 6 Jul 49.*

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HEADQUARTERS NATIONAL DEFENSE FORCES
Camp Murphy, Quezon City
HISTORICAL DIVISION

8 June 1949

SUBJECT: Pre-War Philippine Constabulary Units

TO : The Commanding Officer
Adjutant General Records Depository
PHILCOM, US Army

Attached is a list of Philippine Constabulary units inducted into the USAFFE on 17 December 1941 in accordance with the orders from HQ USAFFE dated 15 December 1941, in compliance with your request dated 16 May 1949.

FOR THE CHIEF HISTORICAL DIVISION:

/s/t/ SOFRONIO Z CONCEPCION
Captain AGS
Deputy & Ex O

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PRE-WAR PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY UNITS

FIRST GENERAL SERVICE BATTALION: HQ TONDO, MANILA

1st Company

3d Company

2d Company

4th Company

SECOND GENERAL SERVICE BATTALION: HQ LANAO, MINDANAO

1st Company

3d Company

2d Company

4th Company

PROVINCIAL COMPANIES AND DETACHMENTS:

I. DISTRICT OF NORTHERN LUZON:

Abra Company

Nueva Vizcaya Company

Batanes Detachment

Apayao Company

1st Cagayan Company

Benguet Company

2d Cagayan Company

1st Bontoc Company

1st Isabela Company

2d Bontoc Company

2d Isabela Company

1st Ifugao Company

Ilocos Sur Company

Kalinga Company

La Union Company

2. DISTRICT OF CENTRAL LUZON:

Bataan Company

3d Pangasinan Company

Bulacan Company

1st Nueva Ecija Company

1st Cavite Company

2d Nueva Ecija Company

2d Cavite Company

1st Tarlac Company

1st Laguna Company

2d Tarlac Company

2d Laguna Company

1st Rizal Company

Pampanga Company

2d Rizal Company

1st Pangasinan Company

1st Zambales Company

2d Pangasinan Company

2d Zambales Company

3. DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN LUZON:

1st Albay Company

1st Mindanao Company

2d Albay Company

2d Mindanao Company

1st Batangas Company

Palawan Company

2d Batangas Company

Romblon Company

Camarines Norte Company

1st Sorsogon Company

Camarines Sur Company

2d Sorsogon Company

3. DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN LUZON: (Cont'd)

Catanduanes Company	1st Tayabas Company
Marinduque Company	2d Tayabas Company
Masbate Company	3d Tayabas Company

4. DISTRICT OF THE VISAYAS:

Antique Company	1st Leyte Company
Bohol Company	2d Leyte Company
1st Capiz Company	3d Leyte Company
2d Capiz Company	1st Occidental Negros Company
1st Cebu Company	2d Occidental Negros Company
2d Cebu Company	3d Occidental Negros Company
3d Cebu Company	Negros Oriental Company
1st Iloilo Company	1st Samar Company
2d Iloilo Company	2d Samar Company
3d Iloilo Company	3d Samar Company

5. DISTRICT OF NORTHERN MINDANAO:

1st Agusan Company	4th Bukidnon Company
2d Agusan Company	1st Lanao Company
3d Agusan Company	2d Lanao Company
1st Bukidnon Company	3d Lanao Company
2d Bukidnon Company	4th Lanao Company
3d Bukidnon Company	5th Lanao Company
6th Lanao Company	11th Lanao Company
7th Lanao Company	Misamis Occidental Company
8th Lanao Company	Misamis Oriental Company
9th Lanao Company	1st Surigao Company
10th Lanao Company	2nd Surigao Company

6. DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO:

1st Cotabato Company	1st Sulu Company
2nd Cotabato Company	2nd Sulu Company
3rd Cotabato Company	3rd Sulu Company
4th Cotabato Company	4th Sulu Company
5th Cotabato Company	5th Sulu Company
6th Cotabato Company	6th Sulu Company
7th Cotabato Company	7th Sulu Company
8th Cotabato Company	8th Sulu Company

6. DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO: (Cont'd)

9th Cotabato Company	9th Sulu Company
1st Davao Company	10th Sulu Company
2nd Davao Company	11th Sulu Company
3rd Davao Company	1st Zamboanga Company
4th Davao Company	2nd Zamboanga Company
5th Davao Company	3rd Zamboanga Company
6th Davao Company	4th Zamboanga Company
7th Davao Company	5th Zamboanga Company

7. All Provincial Commanders, their staffs, and service troops were also inducted into the USAFFE on or after 17 Dec 1941 in compliance with orders from HEADQUARTERS, USAFFE.

HEADQUARTERS
ADJUTANT GENERAL RECORDS DEPOSITORY
PHILIPPINES COMMAND
UNITED STATES ARMY

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APO 900
16 May 1949

SUBJECT: USAFFE Status of Pre-War Philippine Constabulary

TO : The Adjutant General, Armed Forces of the Philippines
Headquarters, National Defense Forces
Camp Murphy, Quezon City
(ATTN: Historical Division)

1. Attached herewith is a copy of Office Memorandum No. 233, Army Headquarters, Commonwealth of the Philippines, dated 6 Oct 45, subject: USAFFE Status of Philippine Constabulary, which is self explanatory. Inasmuch as this memorandum refers to the Pre-War Philippine Constabulary as an overall organization, it is requested that this headquarters be furnished a list of the different Pre-War Philippine Constabulary units that are covered by it. The list will be used as guide in determining the status of individuals who claim to be members of the USAFFE by virtue of their membership in the Pre-War Philippine Constabulary.

2. Early receipt of this list will expedite the determination of cases of individuals whose status as members of the USAFFE is being questioned by the US Veterans Administration, because they belonged to alleged units of the Pre-War Philippine Constabulary which are not listed on the Notes on the Philippine Army, 1941-1942, prepared by that Division.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Incl: a/s

P. H. BAKEN
Major Inf
Chief, Vet Br.
S & C Division

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COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES
ARMY HEADQUARTERS
APO 500

6 October 1945

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

NUMBER 233

STATUS OF PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY

1. Memorandum, HPA, on the above subject, dtd 5 October 1945, addressed to the Chief, of the Division, is herein quoted, for information and guidance of the personnel of this Division.

"The entire PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY was inducted into the service of the United States Army Forces in the Far East on 17 December 1941 (Authority, Paragraph 6, Par. 14 "Note to Philippine Army, 1941-1942", prepared by the Philippine Research and Information Section. Advance Echelon, USAFFE, APO 501, dated 26 January 1945). The Units and personnel of the Pre-War Philippine Constabulary are in the service of the United States Army Forces in the Far East (Authority: Paragraph 1, Letter, Hq. USAFFE, dtd 12 December 1944, FEPA), Subj: "STATUS OF PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY".)

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(SGD) LUIS RAMOS
COLONEL INF PA
Adjutant General

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t/ ESTEBAN DULAY
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2nd Lieut. Inf PA
Adjutant, 1st Bn 2nd Regt.

A TRUE COPY:

s/ Demetrio A Luis
t/ DEMETRIO A LUIS
Capt. Inf PA
S-2 23rd Inf PA

A TRUE COPY:

s/ Vicente Noel
t/ VICENTE NOEL
Major, Infantry
Member, Absentee Status Board

A TRUE COPY:

/s/t/ EULOGIO M. DUA
Capt. Inf PA
Chief, PA Int Sub-Sec
DC SEC, PA BRANCH
RPD, AFWESPAC

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COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES
ARMY HEADQUARTERS
APO 75

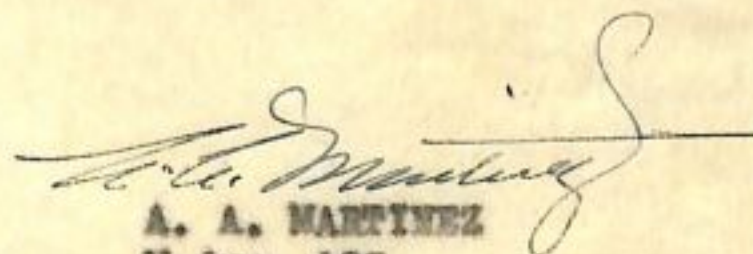
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7 May 1946

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the Philippine Constabulary under the Commonwealth Government prior to the Japanese occupation was an integral part of the Philippine Army and all officers were assigned from Army rosters and all enlisted personnel were reservists in the Army.

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:



A. A. MARTINEZ
Major, AGS
Asst. Adjutant General

NOTES ON THE PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY:

Information in the office of Claims Service, AFWESPAC, reveals that the Philippine Constabulary consisted of three (3) regiments.

The 1st Regiment, Philippine Constabulary, was called to the service of the United States Armed Forces in the Philippines by General Orders USAFFE No. 15, dated 6 October 1941, effective as of 15 October 1941.

The 2nd Regiment, Philippine Constabulary, was inducted into the service of the Armed Forces of the United States in the Philippines pursuant to General Orders USAFFE No. 21, dated 2 November 1941 as amended by General Orders USAFFE No. 23, dated 6 November 1941, effective 17 November 1941.

The 1st and 2nd Regiments, Philippine Constabulary, were assigned to the command of the Commanding General, Philippine Department by General Orders USAFFE No. 41, dated 9 December 1941.

The 3rd Regiment, Philippine Constabulary, (less one Battalion) was called into the service of the Armed Forces of the United States in the Philippine by General Orders USAFFE No. 42, dated 9 December 1941, and was assigned to the command of the Commanding Officer, Visayan-Mindanao Force.

Headquarters, Philippine Constabulary, was called into the service of the United States Armed Forces in the Philippines by General Orders USAFFE No. 50, dated 21 December 1941, effective 22 December 1941.

DATED: 13 December 1945.

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES IN THE FAR EAST

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APO 501
12 December 1944

AG 322.(12 Dec 44)FEPA

SUBJECT: Status of Philippine Constabulary.

TO : Commanding General, Sixth Army.
Commanding General, Eighty Army.
Commanding General, United States Army
Services of Supply.

1. The Philippine Constabulary is a military force, a component of the Philippine Army, charged primarily with the enforcement of the laws of the Philippine Commonwealth and with the maintenance of order. Its units and personnel are in the service of the United States Army Forces in the Far East.

2. Units of the Philippine Constabulary are being reactivated by orders issued by Headquarters Philippine Army after approval by this headquarters.

3. Members of the Philippine Constabulary will wear the United States Army uniform with a red-bordered khaki shoulder patch with "Constabulary" in red letters.

4. These new Philippine Constabulary units must not be confused with so-called "Philippine Constabulary" or "Bureau of Constabulary" units organized by the Japanese or by puppet governmental agencies under Japanese control. Such units have no official status. Individuals who were members of such units will not be included in Philippine Constabulary units.

5. In operational areas, Philippine Constabulary units will be assigned by this headquarters to the operational control of United States Army commands. It is desired that they be employed primarily in civil law enforcement, cooperating with civil governmental authorities. They may be assigned such other military police duties as may be practicable. Units will be supplied and provided medical service by the command having operational control. Personnel administration will be through Philippine Army channels.

6. Units initially organized will be companies of a strength of 5 officers and 112 enlisted men. Two companies, one at Tacloban and one at Dulag have been organized and are being brought to authorized strength as personnel and equipment become available.

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AG 322.(12 Dec 44)FEPA (Con'd)

7. Recommendations to this headquarters as to other localities where additional companies should be stationed when organized are desired.

By command of General MacARTHUR:

(sgd) Robert D. McClear,
ROBERT D. McCLEAR,
Lieutenant Colonel, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adjutant General.

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BASIC: Ltr from CO, AGRD, Request for Information

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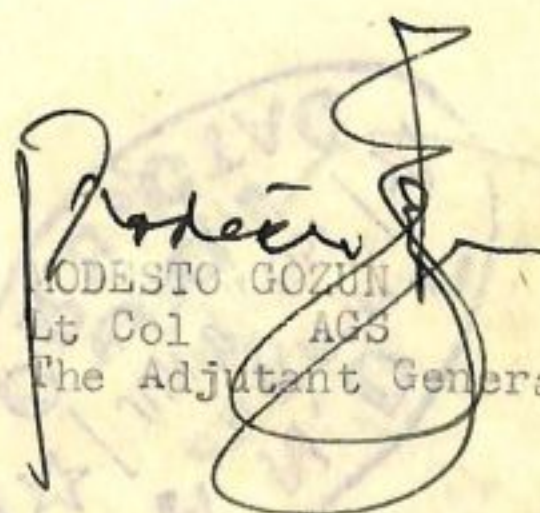
TO: CO, AGRD, APO 928

1. The Historical Br, G-2 does not have in its files Commonwealth Proclamation No. 62. Efforts to procure copies of the prewar "Official Gazette" of the Philippine government, which contain this proclamation have proved futile.

2. The authority consulted by the Historical Branch in the preparation of PA or PC unit histories that participated in the Philippine Defense Campaign is the "Notes on the Philippine Army", compiled sometime in 1945 by the Advance Echelon, USAFFE. It is believed that for purposes of proper adjudication of pension benefits these Notes are authoritative since they were compiled by American military and civil officials familiar with Philippine affairs shortly before the outbreak of the Pacific War. Moreover, the preparation of the Notes were based on official records of the Philippine government deposited with American institutions, like the Library of Congress and the former Department of War.

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

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Lt Col AGS
The Adjutant General



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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
HEADQUARTERS PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY
Camp Murphy, Quezon City.

29 September 1951

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the pre-war and war time records of the Philippine Constabulary are not available this Headquarters. They were either destroyed or burned during the Japanese Occupation.

Carlos E. Flores
CARLOS E. FLORES
Captain, Infantry (PC)
Chief, Records & Publ Br #101

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EXHIBIT A

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ADJUTANT GENERAL RECORDS DEPOSITORY
APO 928

25 May 51

SUBJECT: Request for Information

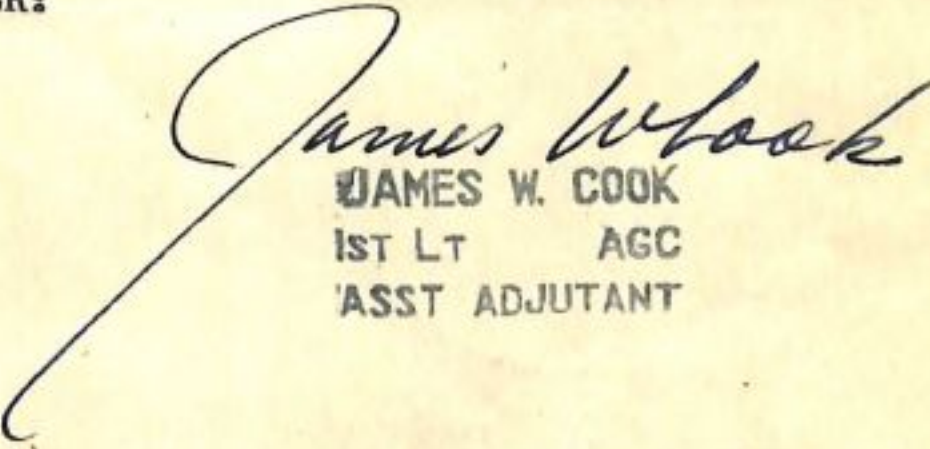
TO : The Commanding General
Headquarters, Army of the Philippines
Camp Murphy, Quezon City

(Attention: Historical Division)

Request this headquarters be furnished with a certified true copy of Commonwealth Proclamation No. 62. This proclamation has been cited as the authority for the induction of the Sulu PC companies into the USAFFE on 1 Sep 41.

The above document is required for proper adjudication of cases for pension benefits.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:


JAMES W. COOK
1ST LT AGC
ASST ADJUTANT

5. The following is the summary of the Constabulary in the Visayan-Mindanao Area:

No. of Officers	139
No. of enlisted men	2,596
No. of officers in the 3 rd Regt.	62
No. of enlisted men in the 3 rd Regt.	1,000
No. of officers in the Davao & GS Co.	7
No. of enlisted men in the Davao & GS Co.	214
Total no. of officers VM-Area	208
Total no. of enlisted men VM-Area	3,810

Benito D. Valeriano
Colonel Inf (PC)
Chief, Constabulary VM-Area

Ref: 201 of Angeles, Leon B. Lt. Col, PC, 0-1049

(MESSAGE CENTER NOTATION ONLY) : DATE 7 DECEMBER 45
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FROM: HQ 96 DIV AREA COMD

TO : UTG #3 CALAPAN

PASS TO: CO UTG #10 MARINDUQUE

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