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UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES  
IN THE FAR EAST  
In the field

Jan. 30, 1943

Subject:- MISSION, report of  
To :- The Executive Officer, 2nd Bn., 121st Inf., USAFFE.  
(Through military channels)

Sir:-

1. The undersigned respectfully reports the following occurrences that led to his forced return thereby not accomplishing their mission in Pangasinan:

(a) Sir, that when we reach Sigay we began evading Japanese patrols, Police and Constabulary until we reached Cabogao, east of Tagudin. There we were informed that crossing the Amburayan river via Ambalayay and Sudipen is impossible as Japanese guards and Police equipped with rifles are stationed in Sudipen. Therefore we went east as far as Lob-ong west of Suyo where we continued our southward course through the mountains down to Palasipas north of Alilem. Sir, in that barrio, I ordered Pfc. Tamking to return and inform the Captain our situation according to our observations and informations. Then I and my other companion continued our southward trip passing Sugpon to Duplas going south through the river as far as the mountains east of Santol and San Gabriel. Japs are stationed in San Gabriel. There I met Capt. G. M. Burnett with a few men, remnants of the mass surrenders that occurred in his regiment. He advised me and asked informations concerning the north. He told me the least possible route going south. Whereby I followed the route he told me passing the mountains east of Baguling, the former headquarters of the La Union Regiment and at present a Japanese outpost. At barrio Papayo southeast of Baguling, we nearly walked on to a Japanese patrol composed of around 40 men but thanks to the timely information of an Igorot woman when they were but a few hundreds of yards away from us. However they might have seen us through their spyglass as they began trailing us up the mountains through small trails and searching every Igorot home according to the information of the Igorot folks. We continued our southward course inspite of the dark until we reached the mountains east of Naguilian. There an Igorot boy hid us in a small hut in the forest where he fed us with ~~with~~ camotes to satisfy our hunger. There we have gathered informations from the mountain folks that came from the lowlands that the routes leading southward on the Naguilian road are heavily guarded. Japanese patrols and Police as well as constabulary are patrolling it. I could not think of any way that will lead me to a successful sneak-through. So we were forced to retrace our route back. The cause of the many patrols in the mountains of La Union is due to the mass surrenders that occurred thereat. Hence they are not afraid nor molested in their search for the remnants.

2. We were only able to spend P2.50 out of the thirty pesos from Capt. Bumatay. Proper receipt is made for the return of these money to Lieut. Manglinong.

3. Attached herewith are my authorization and identification papers with the O.K. of Capt. G.M. Burnett.



UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES  
IN THE FAR EAST  
In the field

Jan. 30, 1943

Subject: - MISSION, report of  
To: - The Executive Officer, 2nd Bn., 1st Lt., USARVN  
(Through military channels)

Sir:-

1. The undersigned respectfully reports the following occurrences that led to his forced return thereby not accomplishing his mission in the field:

(a) Sir, that when we reach Siyay we began evening Ja-panese patrols, Police and Constabulary until we reached Cabagan, east of Tagudin. There we were informed that crossing the Amburayan river via Ambalayay and Sudipen is impossible as Japanese guards and Police equipped with rifles are stationed in Sudipen. Therefore we went east as far as Job-ong west of Siyay where we continued our southward course through the mountains down to Palasigan north of Allim. Sir, in that battle I ordered Lt. Tanking to return and inform the Captain our situation according to our observations and information. Then I and my other companion continued our southward trip passing Siyay to Duplas going south through the river as far as the mountain east of Santol and San Gabriel. I was stationed in San Gabriel. There I met Capt. G. M. Burnett with a man, remnants of the messengers that occurred in his regiment. He advised me and asked information concerning the north. He told me the least possible route going south. Whereby I followed the route he told me passing the mountain east of Tagudin, the former headquarters of the 1st Union Regiment and at present a Japanese outpost. At battle Siyay southeast of Bagaling, we nearly walked on a Japanese patrol composed of around 40 men and a few family information of a Tagalog woman when they were but a few hundred of yards away from us. However they might have seen us through their supplies as they began trailing us up the mountain through small trails and searching every Tagalog home according to the information of the Tagalog folk. We continued our southward course in spite of the dark until we reached the mountain east of Macaliman. There an Igorot boy hid us in a small hut in the forest where he led us with a compass to satisfy our hunger. There we gathered information from the mountain that came from the lowlands that the routes leading southward were as a consequence heavily guarded. Japanese patrols and are patrolling it. I could not think of a route that will lead us to a successful sneak-through. So we went back. The cause of the many patrols that occurred due to the mass surrenders that occurred in their search should not be stated in their search.



2. We were only able to spend 15 days in the field before returning to the ship's base from Capt. Bessley. Proper receipt is made from the ship's base.

3. Attached herewith are my authorization and identification papers with the O.K. of Capt. G. M. Burnett.



4. Sir, I'm now back in my post as patrol in Maroso barrio, as per order of my Company Commander.

*B. Sarmiento*  
BENJAMIN A. SARMIENTO  
Corporal, USAFFE  
in the field

1st Indorsement

OFFICE, C. O., CO. "G", 2nd Bn., 121st Inf., USAFFE. - Jan. 30, 1943  
To the Executive Officer, 2nd Bn., 121st Inf., USAFFE.

1. Respectfully forwarded for the information of the Executive Officer.

*J. Martinez*  
JESUS MARTINEZ  
Captain, Infantry  
C. O. Co. "G", 2nd Bn.,  
121st Inf. USAFFE





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*[Handwritten signature]*

October 1, 1954  
The enclosed letterhead memorandum is for the information of the President  
and the Vice President.  
Very truly yours,  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN THE FAR EAST  
NORTHERN LUZON, PHILIPPINES  
Headquarters 2nd Battalion  
121st Infantry

January 19, 1943

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Corporal Sarmiento, Pfc. Tamking, and Pvt. Villareal are authorized to perform an important mission somewhere in Pangasinan by the undersigned. Any aid, help or protection that shall be extended to them while on their way back and forth will be appreciated highly by the undersigned.

*R. Peralta*

RUFINO B. PERALTA  
Captain, 121st Infantry  
Executive Officer, 2nd Bn.,  
& C.O., Sta. Maria-Sinait sector

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UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN THE FAR EAST  
NORTHERN LUZON, PHILIPPINES  
Headquarters 2nd Battalion  
121st Infantry

January 19, 1943

Subject: Authorization

To : Cpl. Sarmiento, Pfc. Tamking, and Pvt. Villareal  
In the Field

1. You are hereby authorized to get from Captain Acosta, Lieutenant Lope Mariano, and Lieutenant Pedro Fernandez any arms and ammunition, or any equipment of the U.S. Army or P. A. or any other military organization in the Islands for the use of the 2nd Battalion, 121st Infantry.

2. Surrender to this headquarters all that you shall get from the said officers.

3. You are authorized to get thirty pesos (P30.00) from Captain Bumatay to defray your expenses in the performance of your mission.

4. You are also authorized to accomplish your mission within the period of 30 days beginning from this date.

*Rufino B. Peralta*

RUFINO B. PERALTA  
Captain, 121st Infantry  
Executive Officer,  
2nd Battalion

*O.M. 9.11.43*  
RBP/pgr