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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY JAPAN
Office of the Quartermaster
APO 343, San Francisco, California

USARJ QM-M

AUG 7 1962

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Passenger List (Deceased)

TO: Chief
Office of Support Services
Second and T Streets, S. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

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2. The remains designated Unknown XJ-1291 were airlifted on 2 August 1962 to Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, aboard MATS Plane C97-2589, Flight 1350X/214, in accordance with your message QMGSS-MD 1886, 16 July 1962.

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Colonel, QMC
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PASSENGER LIST - Deceased (US Army Mortuary, APO 503)
Special Request Shipment 7-62

AIR SHIPMENT
DESTINATION: HICKAM

TO: U.S. Army Mortuary, Hawaii, APO 958

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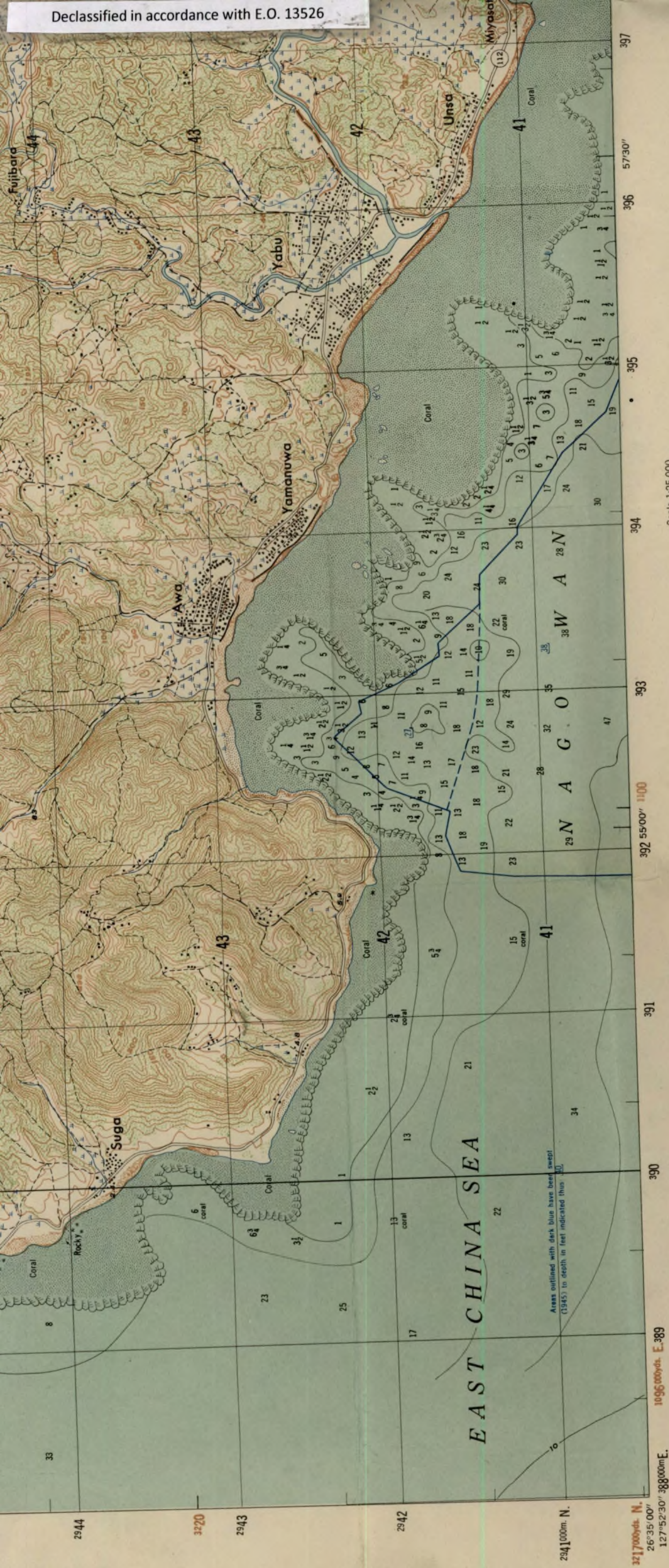
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LEGEND

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| Hard surface, all weather road,
more than two lanes wide | Build up area |
| Hard surface, all weather road,
two lanes wide | Located or landmark object |
| Hard surface, all weather road,
less than two lanes wide | Anchorage, Large vessels, Small vessels |
| Loose surface, graded, all weather road | Principal navigational light |
| Loose surface, dry weather, or dirt road | Depth Curves and Soundings in fathoms |
| Track | Sunken rocks, Foreshore flats |
| Trial | Rocks bare or awash; Reef |
| Prefetchural | Limit of danger line, Submerged reef |
| Gun, Sh., or Sub Prefetchural | Sunken wreck, Exposed wreck |
| Machi or Mura | Breakwater, Wharf or pier |
| Power transmission line | Seawall, Salt evaporator |
| Mine or Quarry, Burial vault | Marsh or swamp |
| Wall, Levee | Paddy field |
| | Woods or brushwood |

Soil elevation in meters.

CAUTION SHOULD BE USED WHEN NAVIGATING OUTSIDE OF THE SWEEP AREA AS UNDETECTED CORAL HEADS MAY EXIST

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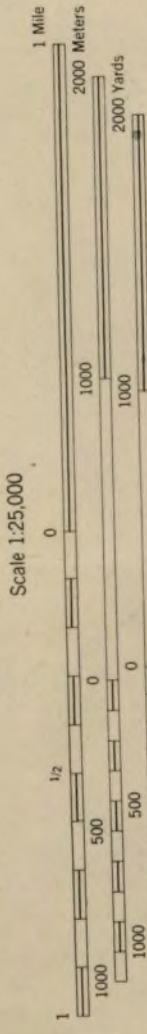
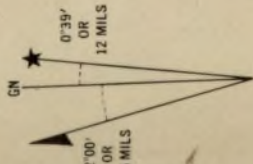
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FOR CENTER OF SHEET
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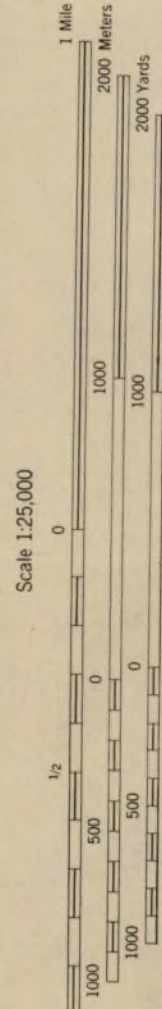


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	IGNORE the SMALLER figures of any grid number; these are for finding the full coordinates. Use ONLY the LARGE figures of the grid number; example 2941'000	SAMPLE REFERENCE: If reporting beyond 100,000 meters or if sheet bears an overlapping grid, prefix 100,000 Meter Square Identification, as: If reporting beyond 18' in any direction, prefix Grid Zone Designation as:



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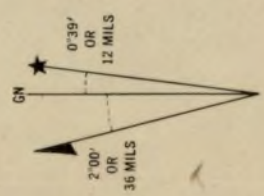
TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION
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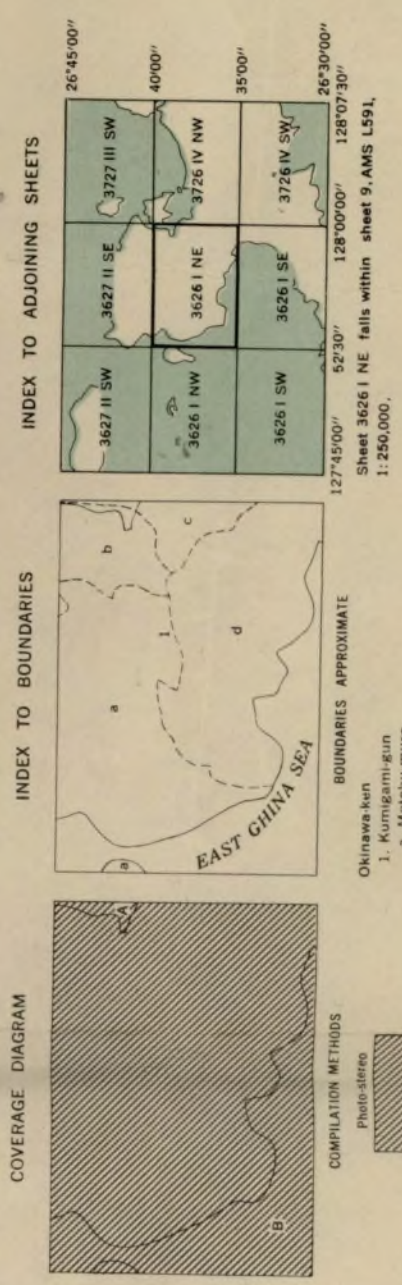
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COMPILATION METHODS
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A. USHO Chart 1931, 1919 (reliability good)
B. USHO Chart 2338, 1950 (reliability good)
Date of aerial photography, 1949

BOUNDARIES APPROXIMATE
Okinawa-ken
1. Kumigami-gun
a. Motobu-mura
b. Nakiin-mura
c. Nago-machi
d. Nago-mura

GLOSSARY

-gun	county
-kawa (-gawa)	river
-ken	prefecture
-machi	town
-mura	township
-saki	cape
-shima	island
-suo	reef
-take	lake
-tani	mountain
-wan	bay

NAGO NE, RYUKYU-RETTO
OKINAWA-KEN
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UNCLAS from QMGSS-MD 1886

Remains Unk XJ-1291 approved as unidentifiable. Req remains be
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TELECOMMUNICATIONS
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Acting Chief, Memorial Division

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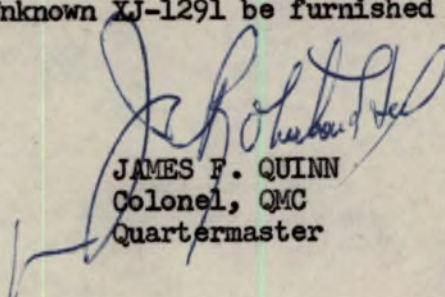
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SUBJECT: Status of Remains

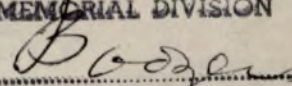
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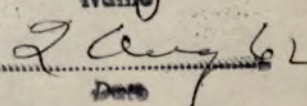
1. The results of the anthropological examination for skeletal remains recovered from an isolated grave at Nago, Okinawa and presently designated Unknown XJ-1291 were forwarded by letter, USARJ QM-FSDM 293 QM, this office, 6 May 1958, Subject: "Recovery of Remains," to your office for resolution.

2. The records of this office indicate that this case is pending resolution and instructions for disposition of remains. It is requested that the current status of Unknown XJ-1291 be furnished to this office.


JAMES F. QUINN
Colonel, QMC
Quartermaster

FILE
DISPOSITION BRANCH
MEMORIAL DIVISION


Name


Date

MEMO FOR RECORD:

12 Jul 62

RE: Unknown XJ-1291 (Okinawa)

Unknown XJ-1291 is approved as unidentifiable and is to be temporarily interred in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific pending further research for possible identification.

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(Unk XJ-1291 U.S. Mortuary (Japan) - UNIDENTIFIABLE remains)

Submitted by *N. M. Farmer*
N. M. Farmer
Clerk (Ident)
Claims & Effects Unit
Disposition Branch

CONCURRENCE:

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Acting Chief,
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
MEMORIAL DIVISION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

A Board of Officers appointed by paragraph 1, Special Order No. 80 dated 30 November 1961 and Special Order No. 39, amendment thereto, dated 7 June 1962 (Tab A), convened _____ 1962, and after consideration of the factors presented, approved as UNIDENTIFIABLE the remains designated Unknown XJ-1291 U. S. Army Mortuary (Japan).

SUMMARY

Laboratory Processing Report and related case papers concerning remains designated Unknown XJ-1291 were received in this Office in May 1958. The Unknown remains had been recovered in March 1958 from an isolated grave near Awa Ku in the Nago, Okinawa area.

A member of the Okinawa Christian Mission reported to U.S. Army officials that he was told of the isolated burial by an Okinawa native, Yoshinobu Nagano, who had found the body of an "American soldier" on or about 10 April 1945 and had buried the soldier on his property in a shallow grave which could be identified. Mr. Nagano believed that the American had been dead about two days.

Under the supervision of the Provost Marshal the remains were recovered from the isolated grave and transferred to U.S. Army Mortuary in Japan.

Anthropological Report indicates no identification tags or personal effects were found. Six (6) buttons bearing "U.S. Marine Corps", three (3) portions of snaps (no markings) and one (1) metal canteen were found. About 5% of the skeletal remains was missing. Tooth Chart was accomplished. (Tab B).

In an effort to associate Unknown XJ-1291 with a U.S. Marine Corps casualty much reference material has been studied and more than 200 files of Okinawa casualties have been screened. Dental and physical records of these casualties have been compared with like data for Unknown XJ-1291 with negative results.

CONCLUSION:

Extensive research has been conducted, as time permitted, in view of the excellent Tooth Chart and other identifying factors available for comparison; however, the absence of records to facilitate a more systematic search precludes the possibility of associating the remains of Unknown XJ-1291 at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Unknown XJ-1291 be approved as UNIDENTIFIABLE remains *pending*

further research for possible identification. 5 Feb
Added by Board Members

HEADQUARTERS
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

SPECIAL ORDER)
NO. 39)

7 June 1962

TC 374. OQMG Special Order No. 80, dated 30 November 1961, is amended as follows:

a. Delete:

(1) Lt. Colonel Earle C. Merkl, O 53 306, QMC

b. Add:

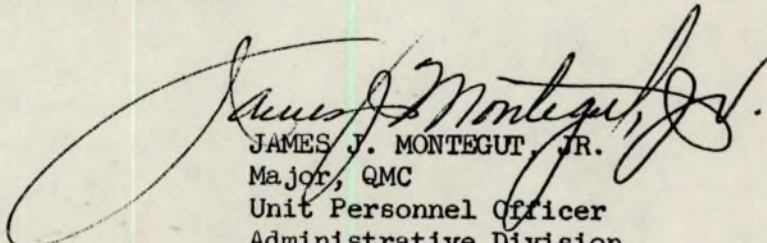
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(2) Lt. Colonel Francis P. Cancelliere, III, 957 287, QMC

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Unit Personnel Officer
Administrative Division

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SPECIAL ORDER)
NO. 80)

30 November 1961

SUBJECT: Memorial Division Board of Review

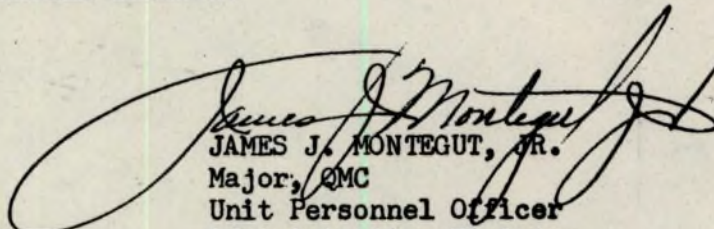
1. Under the provisions of AR 15-6, dated 3 November 1960, the following officers are hereby appointed members of the Memorial Division Board of Review:

Lt. Colonel Earle C. Merkl, O 53 306, QMC
Lt. Colonel Elmer J. Neary, O 34 964, QMC
Major Leslie J. Swope, O 62 216, QMC

Senior member will serve as president of the Board.

2. The purpose, authority, and scope of activities of the Memorial Division Board of Review will be in accordance with the provisions of Memorial Division Order No. 3, dated 17 February 1959.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:



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This Order supersedes OQMG Special Order No. 43, dated 25 July 1961 and OQMG Special Order No. 3, dated 12 January 1961.

HEADQUARTERS
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
Washington 25, D. C.

MEMORIAL DIVISION

17 February 1959

Division Order
No. 3

SUBJECT: Memorial Division Board of Review

1. Establishment. Under provisions of AR 15-6, dated 25 July 1955, there is hereby established the Memorial Division Board of Review (hereinafter referred to as the Board) to assist the Chief, Memorial Division, in the resolution of special cases which involve the identifiability, nonidentifiability, or nonrecoverability of the remains of deceased persons.

2. Membership. The Board will consist of not less than 3 officers. The senior member present will serve as President of the Board. One member, as designated by the president, will act as recorder for the Board and will be responsible for the documentation of the findings of the Board. A majority of the members of the Board will constitute a quorum.

3. Authority. In the resolution of all cases referred to in paragraph 1 above, the Board will serve as the reviewing channel between the operating Branch and the Division Chief. The Board is authorized to review all such cases as are referred through it to the Division Chief. After documentation of its findings, the Board will recommend the approval of the Division Chief or his designated representative or return the case to the operating branch for reconsideration of its determinations.

4. Duties. The Board is charged with the following duties and responsibilities:

a. Establish a set of standards and procedures to determine the adequacy, authenticity, and completeness of records which serve as an operating basis for the Board.

b. Review case history reports concerning the identifiability of recovered remains as submitted by the operating branch.

c. Review case history reports concerning the nonidentifiability of individual recovered remains and the nonidentifiability of individual remains from group recoveries.

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d. Review case history reports concerning the nonrecoverability of remains of persons in the following categories:

(1) Persons for whom The Adjutant General has issued presumptive findings of death.

(2) Persons known to be in a KIA status, whose remains, because of the circumstances of death, are determined to be nonrecoverable.

(3) Persons whose remains are officially reported lost at sea.

e. Based upon its findings, either recommend the approval of the Division Chief, or return the case to the operating branch for further reconsideration of the case.

5. Convening of the Board. The Board will convene at the time and place designated by the president and will adjourn at his direction.

6. Rescission. Memorial Division Order No. 29, dated 19 September 1957, Subject: Memorial Division Board of Review, is rescinded.

BY ORDER OF THE DIVISION CHIEF:

OFFICIAL:

CARL R. ALLBEE
Memorial Division

M. Edith Hranac
M. EDITH HRANAC
Chief, Division Services Section
Disposition Branch

DISTRIBUTION:

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Each Officer concerned (2)
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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY JAPAN
Office of The Quartermaster
APO 343, San Francisco, California

USARJ QM-FSDM 293 QM

6 May 1958

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TO: The Quartermaster General
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.

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3. It appears that subject remains may be the recoverable remains of a United States Marine who died during April 1945. It is requested that a comparison be made of the physical and dental characteristics of subject remains with a non-recoverable casualty who was declared dead or missing in the general area of this recovery for possible identification and that the results be furnished this headquarters.

4. These remains will be held in this command pending resolution and receipt of disposition instructions from your office.

FOR THE QUARTERMASTER:

1 Incl
Case Papers XJ-1291

William S. Gidens Lt Col
for FLOYD E. GIDENS
Colonel QMC
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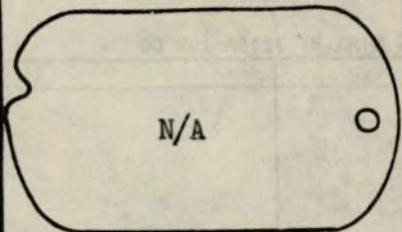
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FLOYD E. GIDENS
Colonel QMC
Chief, Field Service Division

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REPORT OF INTERMENT				DATE OF REPORT 29 April 1958		
TYPE OF REPORT ☒ INITIAL ☐ SUPPLEMENTAL (Reason)						
Imprint Identification Tag If Possible. DO NOT TYPE 		SECTION 1. - IDENTIFICATION.				
		NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)			SERVICE NUMBER	
		XJ-1291			Unk.	
		GRADE	ORGANIZATION	BRANCH OF SERVICE		
		Unk.	Unk.	Unk.		
RACE		RELIGION	COUNTRY (If not U.S.)			
Caucasoid		Unk.	N/A			
PLACE OF DEATH Okinawa Nago NE (See Sec. 2)		CAUSE OF DEATH Unknown		DATE OF DEATH		
IDENTIFICATION TAGS FOUND ON BODY (1, 2, or none) None		IF NO TAGS FOUND ON BODY, DESCRIBE ALL MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION (If unidentified fill in section 3 on reverse)				
WERE SUBSTITUTE TAGS PROVIDED? ☒ YES ☐ NO		N/A				
COMPLETED TOOTH CHART WILL BE ATTACHED HERETO.						
LIST PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND ON BODY AND DISPOSITION OF SAME. IF LETTERS FOUND, INCLUDE NAME OF ADDRESSEE AND WRITER. GIVE OWNER OF WALLET, ETC.						
No Personal Effects Found.						
SECTION 2. - BURIAL (If other than in established cemetery, furnish overlay and attach)						
NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES, AND LOCATION OF CEMETERY Nago NE sheet 3226 I NE, Grid 455929 Nago NE, Okinawa						
DATE OF BURIAL	HOUR	BURIED IN (Shroud, blanket, or name of other)	TYPE OF GRAVE MARKER	PLOT NO.	ROW NO. GRAVE NO.	
N/A	N/A	N/A				
WAS THIS A REBURIAL? ☐ YES ☒ NO		IF A REBURIAL, INDICATE NAME, NUMBER, COORDINATES OF PREVIOUS CEMETERY, AND LOCATION OF GRAVE Remains stored at US Army Mortuary APO 503				
TYPE OF RELIGIOUS CEREMONY General Memorial		PERSON CONDUCTING BURIAL RITES WILLIAM C. FORD MAJOR CHC		IF IDENTIFICATION TAGS NOT USED, DESCRIBE IDENTIFICATION DATA AND CONTAINER BURIED WITH BODY		
IDENTIFICATION TAG BURIED WITH BODY ☐ YES ☒ NO		IDENTIFICATION TAG ATTACHED TO MARKER ☐ YES ☒ NO				
REMAINS BURIED IN GRAVE TO LEFT (When viewed from foot of grave), NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) N/A		GRADE	SERVICE NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	GRAVE NO.	
REMAINS BURIED IN GRAVE TO RIGHT (When viewed from foot of grave), NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) N/A		GRADE	SERVICE NUMBER	ORGANIZATION	GRAVE NO.	
SIGNATURE OF PERSON PREPARING REPORT CARL J. WITZEL DAC			SIGNATURE OF GRS OFFICER VERIFYING REPORT SIMEON J. LARKINS, Capt QMC			

SECTION 3. - UNIDENTIFIED REMAINS

INSTRUCTIONS: Great care will be taken to record the most minute clues for the future identification of remains. Fill in anatomical characteristics below, and any other clues under "other" such as shoe size, Social Security number; position of body in airplanes, vehicles, and tanks; and serial number of airplanes, vehicles and tanks.

HEIGHT Est. 5'5"-5'6"	WEIGHT UTD	COLOR OF EYES Unk.	COLOR OF HAIR None Found	WHERE BODY WAS FOUND (Grid Coordinates) See Section I
BIRTHMARKS, SCARS, OR TATTOOS None Found				LAUNDRY MARKS See Chemical Report
WEAPON(S) WITH SERIAL NUMBER(S) N/A				

OTHER IDENTIFICATION CLUES (Including other remains recovered or associated with this remains).

X
Type of case: Skeletal
Missing Portions: 5%
Associated Cases: None

SECTION 4. - FINGERPRINTING - FINGERPRINTS OF ALL REMAINS MUST BE TAKEN

IMPRINT ALL FINGERS AND THUMBS (or as many as possible) IN THE PROPER SEQUENCE. Fingers should be clean, dry and not over-inked. Missing fingers should be noted in the proper individual finger blocks. Impressions MUST be recorded in the proper order.

RIGHT HAND

1 RIGHT THUMB	2 RIGHT INDEX FINGER	3 RIGHT MIDDLE FINGER	4 RIGHT RING FINGER	5 RIGHT LITTLE FINGER
		UNOBTAINABLE		

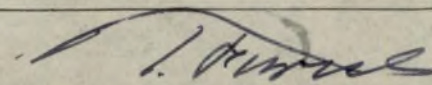
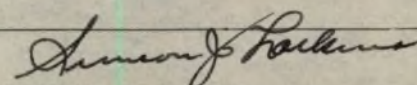
LEFT HAND

6 LEFT THUMB	7 LEFT INDEX FINGER	8 LEFT MIDDLE FINGER	9 LEFT RING FINGER	10 LEFT LITTLE FINGER
		UNOBTAINABLE		

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE (For FBI use only)

REMARKS

IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. REMAINS OF UNKNOWN XJ-1291				2. DATE OF REPORT 29 April 1958	
3. NAME OF CEMETERY Nago, Okinawa Recovery sheet 3226 I, NE, Grid 455 929		4. PLOT	5. ROW	6. GRAVE	7. DATE OF DISINTERMENT REINTERMENT
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION Est Age: 20-22					
8. ESTIMATED WEIGHT UTD	9. ESTIMATED HEIGHT App. 5'5"-5'6"	10. COLOR OF HAIR None Found		11. RACE Caucasoid	
12. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF ANY OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION FOUND WITH REMAINS No identification tags found. Name on container Nago, Okinawa recovery.					
13. GIVE DESCRIPTION OF TATTOOS OR SCARS ON BODY AND OR SUCH INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM OTHER SOURCES None Found					
FLUOROSCOPE: Not Necessary				FINGERPRINTS: Unobtainable	
14. WAS BODY BURNED? ☐ YES ☒ NO		TO WHAT EXTENT ?			
15. WAS BODY MANGLED? ☐ YES ☐ NO		TO WHAT EXTENT ? See Skeletal Chart			
16. DESCRIBE EVIDENCE OF HEALED FRACTURES AND BONE MALFORMATIONS None Found					
17. LIST EVERY ITEM OF CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND PERSONAL EFFECTS FOUND, SHOWING THE TYPE, COLOR, SIZE, MARKINGS, SERVICE, ETC. (If laundry marks are indistinct such notation should be made and specimen forwarded through channels for examination when facilities are not available in the area) Portions of clothing found with remains: 6-Marine Corp. Metal Buttons 1-Metal Canteen No Markings Found See Chemical Report. No Personal Effects Found.					
ANTHROPOLOGICAL FINDINGS					
RACE: Caucasoid WOUNDS: None Evident THE PARTS SHOWN ON ATTACHED SKELETAL CHART REPRESENT ONE AND THE SAME INDIVIDUAL.					
 PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGIST TADAO FURUE			 SIMEON J. LARKINS, Capt. QMC IDENTIFICATION INSPECTOR		

IDENTIFICATION DENTAL CHART

DATE

29 April 1958

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

XJ-1291

GRADE

Unk

SERVICE NUMBER

Unk

UNIT

N/A

ORGANIZATION

Unk

CAUSE OF DEATH

Unk

DATE OF DEATH

Est 1945

PLACE OF DEATH Nago

PLACE OF BURIAL

Map Sheet Nago Ne 3226 I Ne Grid 455 929

PLOT

ROW

GRAVE

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
RIGHT																	LEFT

1. O-AM.
2. DOL-AM.; F-AM.
3. MOD. GOLD FILL.
4. F-GOLD FILL.; ML-AM.

5. MO-AM.
6. ML-GOLD FILL.
7. 3/4 GOLD CR.
8. D-PORC. FILL.

9. PORC. CR.
10. F-PORC. FILL.; L-AM.
11. MF-PORC. FILL.
12. Px-POSTHUMOUSLY MISSING

13. GOLD CR.
14. MISSING
15. MO-AM.; L-AM.
16. MODL-AM.

MARKING ABBREVIATIONS:

F - Facial
L - LingualO - Occlusal
M - MesialD - Distal
I - IncisalAm - Amalgam
CR - CrownFILL - Filling
PORC - PorcelainBACK - Backing
FAC - Facing

CARIES	(1) O																
RESTORATIONS	M A M	M A M	M A M	M A M	M A M							D O I A M	M O I A M	M O I A M	O I A M		

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
UPPER RIGHT																	UPPER LEFT

FRACTURED CHIPPED FRACTURED

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
LOWER RIGHT																	LOWER LEFT

	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	
RESTORATIONS		M A M	M A M										D O I A M		O I A M		
CARIES																	

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER OR OTHER PERSON WHO PREPARED DENTAL CHART

TADAO FURUE ANTHROPOLOGIST

VERIFIED BY GRS OFFICER

SIMEON J. LARKINS, Capt. OMC

DD FORM 569

1 SEP 51

REPLACES QMC FORM 1045, 1 APR 1947,
WHICH IS OBSOLETE.

SEE REVERSE SIDE

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DENTURES (Plates): DESCRIBE DENTURES INCLUDING NATURAL TEETH REPLACED AND TEETH WHICH HAVE RETAINING CLASPS. (For example: Lower acrylic partial denture with lingual bar, replacing teeth Nos. 17, 18, 19, 30, 31, 32. Clasps on natural teeth Nos. 20 and 29.) SHOW ANY NUMBERS OR LETTERS APPEARING ON DENTURE.

THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS WILL BE CHECKED IN THE SPACE BELOW: (Describe in detail under remarks)

MOTTLED ENAMEL	X	UNERUPTED TEETH		RETAINED DECIDUOUS TEETH
ENAMEL HYPOPLASIA		MALOCCLUSION	X	ABNORMAL INTERDENTAL SPACES
EROSION		SUPERNUMERARY TEETH		IRREGULARITY OF ALIGNMENT
ABRASION	X	FRACTURES OF ENAMEL		UNUSUAL RESTORATIONS
ROTATION		FRACTURES OF TEETH		UNUSUAL APPLIANCES

REMARKS (If no abnormalities are found make notation to that effect)

- (1) Maxillae are posthumously fractured at teeth #2 and #15.
- (2) Teeth #1 and #16 have not completely erupted.
- (3) Interdental spaces between teeth #5, #6, #7, #8, #9, #10 & #11, and between teeth #20, #21 & #22.
- (4) Teeth #19 is old extraction.
- (5) Moderate wear on upper and lower insisors.
- (6) Mesio-Facial aspect of enamel of tooth #7 is chipped.

1. NAME UNKNOWN XJ-1291, NAO OKINAWA RECOVERY
SKELETAL CHART

CIU CASE NO.

UNKNOWN X-NO
 OR
 EVAC. NO

3. (BLACK OUT PARTS OF BODY NOT RECEIVED)

2. DATE

4. RIGHT

4. LEFT

SKULL _____ cm

HUMERUS _____ cm

HUMERUS _____ cm

ULNA _____ cm

ULNA _____ cm

RADIUS _____ cm

RADIUS _____ cm

FEMUR _____ cm

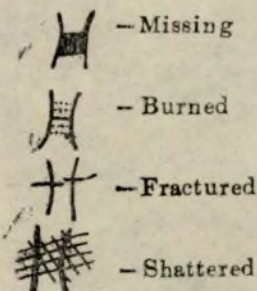
FEMUR _____ cm

TIBIA _____ cm

TIBIA _____ cm

FIBULA _____ cm

FIBULA _____ cm



T. Furue
 TADAO FURUE
 Physical
 Anthropologist

5. Condition of Remains

Skeletal

6. IDENTIFICATION
 SPECIALIST

Carl J. Witzel
 CARL J. WITZEL

7. IDENTIFICATION
 INSPECTOR
Simeon J. Larkins
 SIMEON J. LARKINS
 CAPT. QMC

CHEMICAL FINDINGS FOR IDENTIFICATION

29 April 1958

Date

UNKNOWN X-J 1291

NAGO ME, OKINAWA RECOVERY

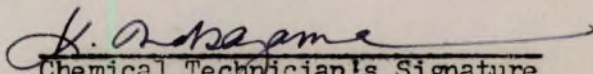
CIU Case No.

EVAC. No.

S&R No.

FINDINGS:

1. Six (6) buttons, steel, badly corroded, bearing; "U.S. MARINE CORPS".
2. Three (3) portions of snaps, corroded, bearing no identifying markings.


Chemical Technician's Signature
Keisaburo Nakayama, Chemist.

14 April 1958
Nago, Okinawa

Richard A. Hoyt
Q. M. Mortuary

Dear Sir:

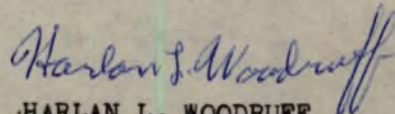
A few weeks ago Yoshinobu Nagano came to my office to report that he had buried an American soldier on his property during World War II. I notified the Provost Marshal and on March 20, 1958, under their supervision, the body of a U. S. Marine was dug up on the property of Mr. Nagano at the spot he indicated to be the place of burial.

According to Yoshinobu Nago, now living at 2 Han, Onishi Ku Nago, Okinawa, the story in brief is as follows:

On or about 10 April 1945 Yoshinobu Nagano came down from the mountains north of Awa Ku in Yabu Son for food during the evening hours. The body of an American soldier, who had been dead perhaps two days, was lying beside a trail on property belonging to Mr. Nagano. Mr. Nagano says that he dug a shallow grave and buried the soldier in a spot which could be identified.

His story seems to check with the facts and I believe he is telling the truth.

Sincerely,



HARLAN L. WOODRUFF
Okinawa Christian Mission
Miyasato Ku
Nago, Okinawa

XJ-1291

INTERBOARD COMMITTEE FOR CHRISTIAN WORK IN OKINAWA

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THE CHURCH of CHRIST of OKINAWA (UNITED)

April 15, 1958

Rev. Harlan Woodruff
Miyazato-Ku, Nago-Cho,
Okinawa

Dear Mr. Woodruff:

I have had a call from Mr. Richard A. Hoyt, of the U. S. Army Mortuary (telephone 7-0114), Machinato Service Area. He stated that he was very anxious to get in touch with you about an important matter. I said I would be on the look-out for you, but did not expect to make a trip to Nago within the near future. So I am sending this note by Dr. Omori and/or our Mobile Hospital Driver Joko-san, on Friday (April 18) of this week.

If possible would you please call Mr. Hoyt at the telephone number above, or call on him at the Mortuary.

Sincerely,

WALTER W. KRIDER

MEMBER BOARDS

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American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (Congregational Christian); Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America; United Christian Missionary Society (Disciples of Christ).

HISTORY OF THE 6th MARINE DIVISION
(Extract)

....The 22nd now in Division Reserve, combed the area behind the assault regiments. The 6th Engr Bn, which had by this time turned the work on Yontan Airfield over to the 58th Seabees, was close behind the assault elements, improving the roads and constructing bridges as the need arose.

The Recon Co with its usual accompaniment of tanks, meanwhile moved out ahead of the advance up the west coast road as far as AWA, then returned to NAGO and swung north to cross the base of MOTOBU Peninsula as far as the smaller town of NAKAOSHI. There were more Japs here than farther south, and the Company had quite a few sharp actions. As the recon extended westward it became evident that the enemy had probably selected the Peninsula's mountainous area as his final defensive position in the north.

It would have to be taken; but before beginning the assault, the Division paused to reorganize. On April 8, the 22nd Regiment was deployed across the island from NAKAOSHI to CRA to block off this extreme northern area and cover the rear of the 29th Regiment which was committed to the task of seeking out and fixing the enemy position on the peninsula.

The 4th was assembled in the vicinity of ARA ready to move in to assist either of the two regiments and supplied some elements from the probing advances to the northward made by the 22nd.

Co K of the 4th, for example, went on an extended foot and amphibian tractor patrol, moving rapidly up the east coast, while the 2nd Bn, 22nd under Lt Col Horatio C. Woodhouse, with a battery of artillery and Co A, 6th Tank Bn moved north by forced marches along the west coast of island. The Bn reached HEDO MISAKI on April 14 after beating down scattered and ineffective resistance, and secured the northern tip of OKINAWA. An advance base was set up here and patrols were sent southward to make contact with similar patrols from the 4th. There was no major fighting, but a good

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many skirmished with enemy stragglers, mainly by night, as the Japs tried to infiltrate through our lines, apparently with the objective of joining their forces on MOTOBU.

...After the fighting was over it was discovered that Col UDO (Jap) had maintained his command post in the center of MOUNT YAETAKE in a complex cave system.....

... This was the position against which the 29th Regt was moving, in accordance with a plan which called for the 3rd Bn to circle the southern and western coast to TOGUCHI, while the 2nd Bn was to march north along the north coast road, and the 1st Bn to proceed along the inland trail which leads from NAGO to ITOMI.

On April 9th the movement began. Light resistance was encountered that day by all columns. The following morning the 1st and 3rd Bns made an attempt to open the road that separated them, the latter Bn reaching the town of TOGUCHI in the afternoon under heavy rain. If this road could be opened the road on either side of it seized, the peninsula would be split in half and our forces would have a much needed east-west communications route.

Two Companies of the 3d Bn moved out from TOGUCHI with flank patrols on either side of the trail. About 8 hundred yards east of TOGUCHI there is a sharp curve; here machine-gun and mortar fire fell on the troops from sources high above and invisible. The casualties were not heavy, but the troops were pinned to the ground and the entire valley was swept by enemy machineguns.

BATTLE FOR MOUNT YAETAKE ****

The plan of maneuver of Div units to develop the enemy stronghold on MOTABU Peninsula. The 29th Marines were to clear the road from ITOMI to TOGUCHI while the 4th Marines were to press inland across country to capture Hill 815, from which the Japs were able to dominate the coastal road..... On 15 April 1945 - The 4th Marines had gained objectives on the approaches to Japanese positions, and the 29th Marines were closing in from ITOMI to the enemy's rear, while elements of the 22nd Marines maintained security patrols on the southern extremity of the positions.....

OKINAWA
VICTORY OF THE PACIFIC (Extract)

.....On the western flank the 29th Marines had again seized its objective with little difficulty on 7 April 1945. Advanced armored reconnaissance elements reached NAGO at noon, and by the late afternoon the regiments had cleared the town and organized positions on its outskirts.

Behind the assault regiments the 22nd Marines in division reserve had been actively employed during the day seeking out and destroying by-passed pockets of enemy resistance.....

On 8 April, 2/29 moved across the MOTOBU Peninsula from NAGO and occupied the village of GAGUSUKU....

..... At the date of relief, the Division's losses for the period were:

236 killed
1,061 wounded
7 missing

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CGUSARJ CP ZAMA JAPAN

UNCLAS from QMOME-D 420 your FM 740433 dated 23 Feb 61 re
status war dead recoveries

Unk. XJ-1291 under investigation. X-6359 and X-6360 ident as
PFC Willis W. Pendergraf, RA 33 302 867 and Sgt Terry S. McCall,
RA 14 338 770, rspv. Dspo action pending instr from nok. Authori-
zation to return portions four recoveries to Okinawa for final dspo
furn your hq by 1st Ind dated 17 Feb 61

Miss Davis
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GRS Pacific (Japan)

F.J. Kerscher, Chief, Operations Sec.
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B. E. KENDALL
Brigadier General, USA
Director of Administration

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UNCLAS FM740433 OM-M. FOR QMGME-D

RECORDS THIS HQS INDICATE THAT DISPOSITION INSTRUCTION FOR
 BTB WAR DEAD RECOVERIES DESIGNATED UNKNOWNNS XJ-1291, X-6359, X-6360
 AND PORTIONS OF 4 RECOVERED ON OKINAWA 18 AND 22 JULY 60 HAVE
 NOT BEEN RECEIVED. REQUEST CURRENT STATUS RELATIVE TO INVESTIGATION
 IN RESOLVING THESE CASES BE FURNISHED THIS HQS

BT

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 13 JUL 61

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From QHRE-D your GDM 103

Case under inven. Results to turn upon compl

Kerscher
77756Harley
54713Womack
56553Davis
73449Wardle
73355

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Apr 59

QHRE-D 293

F. J. KERSCHER, Chief, Operations Sec.
77756CARL R. ALLIEE
Assistant Chief
Memorial Division

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Miss Davis, Mem Div/73449/msh - 9 April 1959
QMGME-D 293. SUBJECT: Current Status in Resolution of WWII Remains
Designated Unknown XJ-1291

Extensive research of unresolved casualties of the 6th Marine Division is necessary if Unknown XJ-1291 is to be properly investigated for possible identification. To date, approximately 176 files (293) have been screened. Since February, priority has been given to cases wherein tentative associations have been established.


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