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- 1. Reference is made to the Report of Findings contained in 2nd Ind., dated 7 November 1947, from Headquarters, Antilles Department to CQMD.
- 2. After reviewing all information contained in the attached 293 files and related papers, this Office concurs in the findings stated in the above mentioned communication, dated 7 November 1947, and recommends that Uni owns I-2 and I-3, presently interred in the Golden Gate National Cemetery, be declared unidentifiable.

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5. It is requested that this effice be advised of the findings, and sorrected Reports of Reinterment be subsisted wherever applicable.

FOR THE QUARTERNASTER OFFICAL:

JAMES C. MacFARLAND Major, QMC Memorial Division

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HEADQUARTERS ANTILLES DEPARTMENT, APO 851, c/o Postmaster, Miami, Florida TO: The Quartermester General, Mashington 25, D. C.

The following report of findings has been submitted by Captain J. G. Foulkes, Jr.; Commanding Officer, 1906 TSU QMC AGES Team:

- a. The remains of Captain Sliter and the leg interred as Ensign Sliter have been reinterred tegether as Ensign Sliter.
- b. The remains of Ralph Wallace Grace were compared with Unknown X-1, and it was found that both remains contained femur benes along with several other duplications. It was determined from information contained in the burial bottle interred with Unknown X-1 that a pair of flight boots had been located with these remains. The contents of Grace's casket contained a pair of service shoes.

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- Unknown X-1, it was found that the bones which made up these remains compared favorably with the unknown. The attached case reports indicate the comparison. The remains of Unknown X-1 were found to be intact with the exception of the right and left Tibia, the left Fibula and the left calcaneous which were missing. The remains of Alfred Lester Clapp contained only the bones listed as missing in Unknown X-1 above. It is therefore assumed that these two burial are one in the same person, and have been reinterred under Lt. (JO) Alfred Lester Clapp.
- d. Seventeen (17) remains listed in paragraph 3 were disinterred and compared with the bones which made up Unknown K-2 and K-3, The only favorable comparison reached was with the remains of Sam James Vacanti. Vacanti's remains appeared to be complete with the exception of the radious and ulne and bones of the hands. The bones of this remains were unbroken except below the pelvis region. It cannot be proven that Unknown K-3 is part of the remains of Vacanti, and it is therefore recommended that these bones remain as Unknown K-3. Unknown K-2 did not compare favorably with any of the 17 remains shown in basic communication.
- 3. It is not considered advisable that the remains of Unknown I-2 and Unknown I-3 be recorded as a group burial of five (5) as stated in paragraph h, preceding prof Indorsement, since the remains are definitely not complete enough for even one remains.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICEAL:

H. C. WIRTH Let IA ACD Asst Adj Gen

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BROOKLYN ARMY BASE
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IN REPLY

MPLY TO: 293 (Isolated Burials)

6 June 1947

SUBJECT: Isolated Burials - Brazil

TO:

The Quarternaster General Washington 25, D. C. ATTENTION: Chief, Memorial Division

- 1. Reference is made to paragraph 3, letter this headquarters, dated 8 May 1947, Subject: Completion of Concentration Activities Brasil, file 687 Brasil (copy attached).
- 2. Attached herete are four (h) burial reports covering the isolated burials recovered from Ilha Grande area, Maranhae. These remains were all victims of a FMT that cracked 27 November 19th in the State of Maranhae, Brasil. A Maval Search and Recovery Team recovered seventeen, (17) remains from this area, which were taken to See Luis, Brasil, identified and buried 11 December 19th, in the Joint Army-Mavy Cometery, Tirirical Field, See Luis, Brasil.
- 3. Evidence found upon disinterment of Unknown X-2 and X-3, and information obtained by natives, indicates that these remains had previously been disinterred and pertions (as indicated in Section 3, Form 10h2) were inadvertently left in the grave.
- h. The remains buried and marked as <u>Gapt</u>. Rebert Sliter are believed to be other portions of the remains interred at Sac Luig as <u>Rasign</u> Robert Sliter, 3k722h, USE. Attention is invited to Section 3 of form 10k2 inclosed. It will be noted that natives reported only a leg was taken from Maranhae to Sac Luis for reburial. Disinterment team at Sac Luig found only a leg in Ensign Sliter's grave. A tooth chart was obtained from the portion of remains found at Maranhae and is inclosed with burial report. From all indications, the remains in two cases shipped to San Juan, Fuerto Rice are those of one and the same person.
- 5. From the condition of remains found in the grave of X-1, it was impossible to determine if parts had been removed to Sao Luis with the others, but it is probable that they were. A tooth chart was obtained and is inclosed with burial report.

Ltr to COMG, Wash, D. C., file 293 (Iselated Burials), Subject: Isolated Burials - Brasil, dated 6 June 1947 (cont'd)

- 6. A fourth unknown in this area, victim of the same crash, was reported buried on Musurandiba Island in this area. A thorough search of the area was made without success. Mr. Benjamin Redrigues, who reported the burial, assisted in the search and is confident that remains are there. He will continue the search and report findings to this beadquarters.
- Attached hereto is Information Copy of Memorandum on file at the American Consul at Sao Luig and Below, Brazil, regarding visit of Mr. Redrigues on 7 March 1947, which states the only parts of remains referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 were reseved.

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C. B. AVERA Colonel, QMC Commanding

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WD, CQMG, Washington 25, D. C.

6 August 1947

To: Commending General, Antilles Department, APO 851, e/e Postmaster, Miani, Florida.

- 1. The remains minus a log, believed to be these of Captain Robert SLITER, recovered from Ilha Grande Area, Maranhao, Brasil, have been identified, from comparison of dental records, by the Dental Professional Mivision, Bareau of Medicine and Surgery, Many Department, as those of Ensign Robert SLITER, 34722h, USER. Death occurred on 27 Hovember 19hk. Next of kin is the wife, Shirles Sliter, 1000 Carelyn Avenue, San Jose, California. His expressed religious preference is Protestant. It is requested that the log recovered from Ensign Sliter's grave at San Luis (Grave 32) be interred with the above remains.
- Z. The dental chart for the remains, Unknown I-1, is similar to the dental records of I4. (jg) Alfred Lester GLAPP, Jr., 2786k8, USER and I4. (jg) Ralph Wallace GRACE, 329556, USE, who were interred in Graves 20 and 8 respectively at Sac Luis. Positive identification cannot be established. It is requested that the remains of I4.(jg) Alfred Lester GLAPP, Jr., and I4.(jg) Ralph Wallace GRACE be examined to determine if the bones found with Unknown I-1 could be part of one of these remains. If so, it is further requested that the remains, Unknown I-1, be reinterred with those from which they are missing.
- 3. The partial remains of Unknown X-2 and X-3 cannot be individually identified. It is requested that the graves of the following personnel be disinterred to determine if these can be matched with missing parts:

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h. If Unknown I-2 and I-3 cannot be identified as missing parts of the above remains, it is requested that they be recorded as a group burial consisting of the following:

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