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NEFIS INTERROGATION REPORT NO. 1631.

I. PERSONAL DATA.

Name : Ali MOHAMMAD (alias Wongsosiwojo).
Age : 18 years.
Sex : Male.
Race : Madoerese.
Citizenship : Netherlands subject.
Birthdate and Place : Feb 27; Pamekasan (7°10'S., 113°30'E),
Madoera Island.
Education : Dutch Indonesian School, Galis
(7°10'S., 113°35'E), Madoera Island,
1935-1940; Arabian School, Lombong
(7°10'S., 113°35'E), Madoera Island,
1940-1941; Japanese Merchant Marine
School, Makassar (Celebes), 1943-1944.
Occupation : Stoker.
Status : Evacuee; picked up by Allied sub-
marine near Madjene (3°35'S., 118°55'E),
Celebes, after his ship had been
sunk.
State of Health : Good.
Means of Identification : Scar on left hand from machine gun
bullet.

ESTIMATE OF INTELLIGENCE AND RELIABILITY.

Average intelligence. Information considered to be reliable.

II. CHRONOLOGY.

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Place:</u>
1940 - 1941	: Pupil at Arabian School at Lembong, Madoera Island.
1941 - Dec 43	: Religious teacher at Pamekasan, Madoera Island.
Dec 43 - Jan 44	: On transport en route to Makassar (Celebes), via Soerabaja (East Java).
Jan 44 - Apr 44	: Trainee at Japanese Merchant Marine School, Makassar (Celebes).
Apr 44 - Aug 44	: Stoker on Japanese m.v. "Niko Maru", lying at Makassar.
Visited following ports while stoker on board "Niko Maru":	
Aug 44	: Pare Pare (4°01'S., 119°37'E), Celebes.
Aug 44	: Pomelaa (4°30'S., 121°30'E), Celebes.
Sep 44	: Bonthain (5°35'S., 119°55'E), Celebes.
Sep 44	: Toroboeloe (4°25'S., 122°30'E), Celebes.
Sep 44	: Madjene (3°35'S., 118°55'E), Celebes.
Oct 44	: Pare Pare (4°01'S., 119°37'E), Celebes.
Nov 44	: Kotabaroe (3°15'S., 116°15'E), Laoet Island, S.E. Borneo.
Nov 44	: Stagen (3°15'S., 116°10'E), Laoet Island, S.E. Borneo.
Nov 44	: Makassar (5°10'S., 119°25'E), Celebes.

III. TACTICAL DATA ON ENEMY MILITARY FORCES.

Dispositions and Strength of Organisations and Units:

a. Soerabaja (East Java), Dec 43: About 1,000 Japanese Army personnel were quartered in former European houses along Darmo Boulevard, on the east side of the Zoo and close to the Wonokromo bridge. They carried out normal military exercises and attended rifle practises in the vicinity of Darmo airfield.

The labourers were quartered in five new atap barracks in the vicinity of the coal jetty. Working hours on week days were from 0700 hours to 1200 hours and from 1300 hours to 1800 hours. On Sunday work commenced at 0700 hours and ceased at 1130 hours.

There was not electric lighting for general use in the area. Kerosene lamps were used.

According to inf, labourers who died or were incapacitated were not replaced.

b. Semblingan ($3^{\circ}15'S., 116^{\circ}10'E$), Poelau Laoct, S.E. Borneo, Nov 44: Inf visited the village which is situated about 5 km, south of Stagen, and noted that the local coal mines were in production. The output was despatched by tongkongs of 30 tons capacity downriver to the sea and thence northwards along the west coast to the area of the Stagen coal jetty (see inset on NEFIS sketch No. FY 5356 of 20-12-44 issued with NEFIS Interrogation Report No. 817), where it served to coal visiting ships. Inf was unable to estimate production.

Shipping: Pomelaa ($4^{\circ}30'S., 121^{\circ}30'E$), Makassar ($5^{\circ}10'S., 119^{\circ}25'E$), Celebes, Aug 44: One cargo of coal was carried by inf's ship, a 175-ton "Sugar Dog" semi-diesel, from Makassar to Pomelaa, where it was stacked in the open at the former coal storage (see item No. 2 on attached sketch NEFIS No. FY 5449).

Transportation:

Motor:

a. Pomelaa ($4^{\circ}30'S., 121^{\circ}30'E$), Celebes, Aug 44: Inf saw 10 lorries at the cold storage depot near the harbour. They were not in use during his visit but he concluded that they were intended for the transport of nickel ore and coal. He also counted 50 motor trucks painted green and driven by Japanese. They were employed carrying labourers, coal and vegetables from the harbour to the interior.

b. Toroboeloe ($4^{\circ}25'S., 122^{\circ}30'E$), Celebes, Sep 44: Three motor trucks painted blue and driven by Japanese transported cargo from the harbour to the interior.

XII. PERSONALITIES.

Japanese Civilians: Makassar ($5^{\circ}10'S., 119^{\circ}25'E$), Celebes, Aug 44:

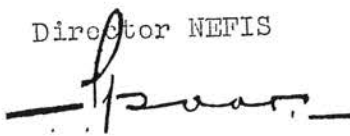
Moorimoto

Second officer on the Japanese m.v. "Niko Maru"; frequently beat and kicked the Indonesian members of the crew.

XIII. GENERAL.

Prostitution: Makassar ($5^{\circ}10'S., 119^{\circ}25'E$), Celebes, Aug 44: About 100 imported Javanese girls from 18 to 20 years of age were instructed to report for an unspecified purpose which proved to be prostitution. They were allotted to brothels and medically examined by a Japanese doctor once a week.

Director NEFIS


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Camp Columbia, 26th April, 1945.

Enclosure:

Sketch NEFIS No. FY 5449 - Pomelaa, Celebes.

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