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INTERROGATION OF WITNESS

Today, Friday, 2nd August 1946, there appeared before myself F. H. von Meyenfeldt, Attorney-at-Law, (Assistant) Judge-Advocate attached to the Temporary Court Martial at Makassar, charged with the investigation of War Criminals; the person of: Madali,

What is your full name, age, occupation, and address?
Madali, 20 yrs. farmer, Mr. Cornelis.

What were your experiences during the Japanese occupation?

About two and a half years ago, I was fetched from home by the police and taken to the office of the Asst. Wedana (Tr. Note: Javanese native officer in charge of a Sub-district). From there I went to Bandoeng. There I discovered that I had become a Hei-ho (Tr. Note: Japanese trained Indonesian auxiliary) soldier. The Japanese said we must become that. I stayed in Bandoeng for a month. From there I went to Singapore, where I received training for three weeks. From there we travelled via Saigon to Manila, where again we received military training and had to dig trenches. I remained in Manila for three months, and from there I went to Manado. Here I was used as a coolie. At the time of the capitulation I was at Poso, to where I had run away. Sometimes the food was too little, sometimes enough; medical treatment was also insufficient. I was maltreated in Manado because I ran away from the barrack to look for food. I was beaten with a sandal. My wages were not paid regularly. Sometimes I received something. The Japanese said that they were sending money to Java. We were not allowed to write any letters and also received none. From my hamlet nine died.

After the above questions and answers were read to the witness clearly and slowly (through interpretation by the sworn interpreter for the Malayan language), he declared that he adheres to them, and does not desire that anything should be added or altered therein, as proof whereof he has signed his statement:

The interpreter:

Sd/ Illegible

The Witness:

Sd/ Madali

Made in my presence:

The (Assistant) Judge-Advocate
Sd/ von Meyenfeldt

Thereafter the witness swore in accordance with his religious convictions
that he has told the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

The (Assistant) Judge Advocate:
Sd/ von Meyenfeldt

Confirmation of oath:
Sd/ Illegible

Certified a true copy:
The 1st Clerk
Sd/ A. W. de Kat

C e r t i f i c a t e

The undersigned CHARLES JONGENEEL, Captain R.N.I.A., Head of War Crimes Section of NETHERLANDS FORCES INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (NEFIS), being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states that the annexed statement is a full, true, complete and accurate copy of the original document, entitled:

Sworn statement of MADALI,

Dated, Makassar, August 2, 1946,

which document is a part of the official records of NEFIS.

Batavia, August 20, 1946.

Signature:

Sd/ Ch. Jongeneel

Subscribed and sworn to before me, K.A. DE WEERD, LL.D., Major R.N.I.A., Senior Official attached to the Office of the Attorney-General N.E.I.

Signature sd/ K. A. de Weerd