

Summary of examination of ; Mrs. H. E. ENGELIN OM/7564/E
 Occupation : None
 Address : Palmenlaan 56, Soerabaia.

I duly sworn states, I am 30 years of age, of Dutch nationality and born at Tandjong Karang (Sumatra).
 I am at present living at Palmenlaan 56, Soerabaia, which is also my permanent address.

On January 8th 1943 two Indonesian officials from the P.I.D. came at my house, Palmenlaan 56 Soerabaia, to arrest me. I was immediately brought to the Werfstraat prison which was used by the P.I.D. and by the Kempeitai as well.

After my arrival there interrogation started at once. This was done by ORISHAMA and TAKAHARA, who were attached to the P.I.D. and by the Kempeitai members TAKAHASHI and IURA. This interrogation lasted for a long time, but no torturing took place. This day I got no food at all.

ORISHAMA
 TAKAHARA
 TAKAHASHI
 IURA

On January 9th 1943 I was again interrogated by the four abovementioned Japanese and some Indonesian P.I.D. officials, also on January 11th, both times without being beaten. They tried to make me confess that I belonged to a secret anti-Japanese organization, had listened to foreign broadcasts, had disseminated the news I had heard and had hidden several weapons and ammunition. I denied everything.

The next interrogation took place on March 23rd 1943, when I was brought in an interrogation cell, where were the four abovementioned Japanese and some Indonesian P.I.D. officials. I was told that I was a liar, my hands were tied together behind my back. I had to climb upon a bench, the rope with which my hands were tied was knotted together with a rope fastened to the wall and then the bench was removed so that I hung. During the period in which I was hanging I was cross examined by all the Japanese and Indonesian officials and because my answers did not satisfy them, they began to beat me upon all parts of my body with bamboo poles. I hung for about one hour and a half after which I became unconscious. When I became conscious again I found that they had put the bench again in its original position. I was then taken back to my cell.

The next day I got the water cure. I was tied to a ladder, a cloth was tied over my mouth and nose, water was then poured into my mouth. This torture lasted for about one hour and a half, after which I fainted and when I came round I found that I had been carried to my cell again. The cure gave the sensation of being drowned and gasping for breath.

About one week afterwards the Japanese called for me again and I was given to read 4 statements from other people belonging to the same organisation as I. These statements contained their confession and my name was mentioned in them. I was asked if I would admit all that was connected with me in the statements was true. I admitted this. What I have done actually however was far more than what was stated in the statements.

Thereafter I was interrogated by TAKAHASHI, IURA and SATO, also a Kempeitai member, for three times. The interrogation lasted for a short time only and on one occasion I was hung again, also for a short period only.

TAKAHASHI
 IURA
 SATO

During my imprisonment I was once forced to witness Mrs. BERTSCH being hung by SATO.

Food in the prison was inadequate, in quantity as well as in quality. We were allowed however to receive food packages from home, but it was obvious that the people who had to search the packages stole many things.

Medical treatment in the prison was bad, because the Indonesian doctor was afraid of the Japanese to dare to give proper medical treatment.

On May the 6th 1943 I with six others were transported to Briawa, handcuffed and with our elbows tied behind our backs. On our voyage we got hardly any food or drink.

(Signed) H. E. Engelen

Interpreter.

I certify that I duly translated the above summary to the witness in her own language, prior to her signature which appears above.

(Signed) (Illegible)
Interpreter.

Sworn before me (Signed) Barth, Capt.

This 21st day of May, 1946.

Detailed to examine the above by the Commander-in-Chief, Allied Land Forces, South East Asia.

C E R T I F I C A T E -

The undersigned CHARLES JONGENEEL, first Lieutenant R.N.I.A., head of the War Crimes Section of NETHERLANDS FORCES INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (NEFIS) being first duly sworn on oath deposes and states that the annexed report is an original document entitled:

"Sworn Summary of Examination of Mrs. H.E. ENGELLEN, 30 years of age, born at Tandjong Karang (Sumatra) No. om/7564/E."

which document has been taken from the official records of NEFIS.

SIGNATURE: *ch. Jongeneel.*

(SEAL)

BATAVIA, June 7th, 1946.

Subscribed and sworn to before me K.A. de WEERD, first Lieutenant R.N.I.A. Higher Official attached to the Office of the Attorney - General N.E.I.

(Signed) K. A. de Weerd