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8 Sept 45.

### S.R.D. POLICY ON DISBANDMENT

#### 1. INTRODUCTION:

This memorandum is intended to summarise the policy involved in the disbandment of AIB and SRD and gives an outline programme. As yet EHQ have issued no firm instruction on the liquidation of AIB and its components. The facts contained in this memo, therefore, must be taken to that extent as provisional. It may, however, be taken as setting out the recommendations of the Controller AIB, given with the full concurrence of the Directors of his component sections. AIB have indicated that the Controller's instructions will be issued by 12 Sep 45; any amendments arising therefrom will be notified.

#### 2. SURRENDER AREAS

of responsibilities in which various commands and formations have been allocated the task of organizing the surrender. Thesesareas are:-

- (a) B.N.B. and SARAWAK 9 Aust Div based LABUAN
- (b) DUTCH BORNEO 7 Aust Div based BALIKPAPAN.
- (c) TIMOR TIMFORCH based DARWIN, with one brigade from MOROTAI.
- (d) LESSA SUNDAS, and all islands east LOMBOK STRAITS, BURU, CHRAM, KAI and BRITISH NEW GUINEA Australian Forces.
- (e) JAVA, BALI, CHLEBES, HALMAHERAS, DUTCH NEW GUINEA Australian first then SHAC.

#### 3. GLIVERAL POLICY:

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- (a) G.H.Q. Although GHQ have not as yet laid down a fixed policy, the Controller AIB has been notified by them that the liquidation of AIB units is desired as early as possible, depending upon the completion of present operations.
- (b) L.H.Q. LHQ agreed with the disbandment of AIB units, and, on their orders, I Aust Corps have instructed 7 and 9 fort Days to release SRD parties. On an application by 9 Div, however, this decision was reversed to the extent that 9 Div were permitted to keep 'A' Gro, SRD, for a further period of 6 weeks from 4 Sep. LHQ are also pressing for the rapid reduction of BRD commitments on the mainland, in accordance with the g neral policy of the Australian Government.

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### 4. A.I.B. TARGET DATES

- (a) Hq ALC closed MOROTAL approximately 15 sep 45 and opens in BRIS ANE on the same date.
- (b) HQ FELO and HQ SRD to close at MOROTAI 15 Sep 45 and re-open in MILBOURNE the same day.
- (c) Rear HQ to close at BRISBANE 1300 hrs on 15 Sep 45 and will not re-open.
- (d) Adv HQ SRD to open at 1200 hrs 15 Scp 45 at MOR OTAL in the present AIB camp and remain open until all matters in connection with SLD a livities from MOROTAL base are completed.
- (e) NEFIS representative AIB HQ returns to HQ M FIS 15 Sep 45.
- (f) Lt Col DEWAR to act as AIB Controller's representative MOROTAI after 15 Sep 45, moving BRISBANE as soon as possible after 1 Oct 45.
- (g) AIB camp MOROTAI, to close 30 Sep 45, leaving Rear Party HQ SRD to take over camp at that date and continue until parties are finally withdrawn.
- (h) AIB operations terminate 1 Oct 45, final liquidation being expected 31 Oct 45.

### 5. DISSOLUTION OF ESTABLISHMENUS:

- (a) LMS Camp, DARWIN: This camp has already been disbanded. SRD personnel now being held at Leanyer station for movement south.
- (b) Present AIB camp, MOROTAI, will remain functioning as SRD camp until all matters in connection with SRD activities from MOROTAI base are completed, when a unit move will be arranged to return stores and memaining personnel to Australia by sea as 'Z' Special Unit.
- (o) Instructions are being issued by Commander 'Z' Special Unit for the liquidation of Fraser Commande school and Leanyer Wireless Station and Para Training Wing LEYBURN.
- (d) BRISBANN office will remain as a demobilisation contro.
- (c) SRD Liaison Officer, SYDMMY, will continue to function for such time as required by HQ SRD MELBOURNES.

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#### 6. DISPOSAL OF SED FLOTILLA:

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With the concurrence of LHQ, Controller / .nd Director SRD, the following vessels of SRD flotilla have been temporarily handed over to NOIC MOLUCCAS, and come under his operational and administrative control w.e.f. 2 Sep 45. Final arrangements will be concluded between LEJ and ACNB in MELBOURNE.

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(b) Arrangements have been made with ACNB, requestioning the return to their original port of ships ment for paying off of the

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- With regard to the vessels at LARMAN, NOIC MOLUCIAS has issued instructions to his local representative that SAD commitments shall receive high operational priority.
- (d) Detailed instructions will be issued separately by SO (N) relating to the disposal of personnel. Stores from these ships will be dealt with as in Appx 'A', para 9.
- (e) A Naval Liaison Officer will remain in SRD until all naval commitmentare finally wound up.

## 7. AIR: Maintenance and Evacuation.

- (a) One Liberator will be permanently retained at MOROTAI for carrying out essential maintenance sorties to parties in the field. This maintenance ance will be restricted to the maintenance of white personnel only, and will normally be confined to comforts and very special requirements.
- (b) In fixing the priority of personnel to be carried by this aircraft, the following considerations will be taken into account
  - Length of time spent by parties in the field.
  - ii. Length of time spent MOMOTAI.
  - iii. Date by which personnel are due for release.
  - iv. Compassionate reasons.

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The authorised passenger list will NOT be deviated from without the express authority of the Acting Director, SRD, or, in his absence, a senior officer, not below the rank of Lt-col.

- (c) RAAF Command have agreed to the use of one Liberator, per week from 200 Flight for evacuating personnel from MOROTAL to BRISBANE.
- (d) Personnel will be evacuated to BRISBANG, where they will be cither -
  - (1) held at CAMP TASMAN until marched out to G.D.D. for demobilization
  - (11) moved MOUNT MARRHA, which will be opened as a Holding camp for the personnel who cannot be cleared in BRISHANN for Demobilization.

### 3. DISPOSAL OF SHORES.

Detailed instructions for disposal are shown in the Appendix 'A' attached. Seperate instructions are issued for -

- (a) American Controlled Stores.
- (b) Australian Army Stores.
- (c) S. O. M. Stores.
- (d) R.A.N.
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#### 9. 'A' GROUP

- (a) Will continue to operate under Command 9 Div f.a.p. for a period not exceeding 6 weeks from 4 Sept 45.
- (b) BBCAU have taken over financial responsibilities from 1 Sept 45.
- (c) Process of replacement of SRD bodies by BBCAU bodies to commence 7 Sept 45.
- (d) SRD Bodies to commence withdrawing 15 Sept 45, approx.
- (e) Withdrawal SRD bodies, less necessary signallers, to be completed by approximately 7 Oct 45.
- (f) SRD Signal bodies may be attached to BBCAU for further period of approx 3 Wooks. A A Group to notify numbers to D/Sigs.
- (g) Major HARRISON to remain at SEMUT 1 HQ for a maximum period of three months, attached BBCAU, arrangements to be ande for his payment by BBCAU.

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- (h) 9 Dit have been requested to take over payement of guerrillas w.e.f. 15 Sep 45. BBCAD will pay 250 guerrillas in SARAWAK, allocation at present to areas to be made by 'A' Group.
- (i) SRD HQ continue to be responsible only for the supplying of white members of parties in the field who cannot be maintained by 9 Div. Any request for maintenance from MOROTAI sources to be made by 'A' Group through 9 Div.
- (j) SRD HQ will arrange for one "milk run" comforts serties per week to all parties in the field.

#### 10. AGAS :

- (a) AGAS Group will come under command 'A' Grp w.e.f. 11 Sep 45.
- (b) Major COMBE will take over command w.e.f. 11 Sep 45.
- (c) BBCAU take over financial responsibilities w.e.f. 10 Sep 45.
- (d) AGAS V to be withdrawn 10 Sep 45.
- (•) Commander 'A' Grp will finalise arrangements with BBCAU for any guerrillas they require to be retained as newclous police force.
- (f) Financial statement to be submitted to this HQ.

#### 11. 'C' and [D! GRPS.

- (a) 'C' Grp have already received 7 Div authority for withdrawal and are leaving BALIKPAPAN 8 Sep by sea for MOROMAI. Stores and Finance accounts will be submitted by 20 Sep 45
- (b) i. The 'D' Grp disbandment will be concluded by 20 Scp 45.
  - ii. LMS alroady void.
  - iii. Small party being inserted with TIMFORCE for recover of TIMOR survivals only permitted outstanding commitments

#### 12. MEDICAL:

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- (a) Modical stores will be handled in a similar manner to other stores. D/Med will issue specific instructions to each M.O. as to what stores must be listed for handing over to BBCAU and what stores must be withdrawn.
- (b) Modical personnel may romain attached to BBCAU for a limited period, but special application must be made for each individual case.

#### 13. REPORTS COVERING SRD ACTIVITIES:

(a) All section, branch and group heads to propare

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consolidated reports by 30 Sept 45.

(b) Groups responsible for careful dobriefing of operatives returning from the field, vide this FQ letter Consolidated Roport, dated 29 Aug 45.

#### 14. SIGNALS

Each signal Station will continue to function until until the closing of the HQ which they serve. The station will then be dismantled and the stores handed into the local SRD Stores Officer for disposal as arranged. Signal personnel to be disposed of in a manner similar to other personnel.

15. SECURITY. Pub lication of Information of SRD Activities.

on this subject, but personnel are reminded that on joining the organisation they understood to make no publication of personal experiences in special operations without receiving therefore be submitted to the Director, SRD, for individual consideration. No interview will be permitted with any Press Representitive or other type of publicity agent.

#### 16. FINANCE.

- specific date of general application defining whon Danger Money will cease to be payable to all Operatives.
- (b) It has been decided that the date on which this payment shall coase will be rolated to the individual morits of each case. The Group Commander will make recommendations on this subject, having due regard to the general circumstances, in particular, the extent of enemy activity and liability to danger to which the particular individual has subjected.
- (c) Cash Advances will not be made on account of Danger Money. A certificate will be rendered to this offect by Staff Captains at Group, or Adv HQ, before operatives are permitted to return to the mainland.

#### 17. DEMOBILIZATION.

- (a) Major BUDGE has been appointed Demobilization Officer for 'Z' Special Unit, and a second demobilization officer will be appointed at BRISBANE,
- (b) All personnel will be demobilized as soon as they become due, in accordance with the Conditions of the Service to which they belong, provided they have been cleared by SRD in respect of All matters.
  - (c) Party Leaders will not be cleared until all details affecting their project have been satisfactorily settled.

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(d) All personnel will be required to sign a statutory declaration to the effect that they have retained no service stors or equipment other than that shown on their basic records.

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#### APPENDIX A

8th September, 1945.

#### S.R.D. STORES POLICY

- A definite policy has now been determined as to the disposal and return of all stores on charge to S.R.D. and "Z" Special Unit.
- 2. Stores on charge come under the following headings:-
  - (a) Australian stores.
  - (b) S.O.E.
  - (c) R.A.N.
  - (d) A.I.B.
  - (e) R.A.A.F.
  - (f) MIS X.

#### 3. Australian Stores.

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All Australian stores will be returned to Australian Ordnance depots in the area in which Groups are located. Stores from Australian sources may be handed over to any other Australian unit providing the correct procedure is carried out and full details entered on A.F. 1033.

S.R.D. have no authority to hand over Australian stores and equipment to any non-Australian organisation.

#### 4. S.O.E. Stores

London has set out a provisional policy regarding the disposal of S.O.E. Stores, which is as follows:-

- (a) Non-secret S.O.E. Stores may be handed over to British Services or British Civil Affair Units without payment, but vouchers must be prepared for forwarding to London for onward transmission to War Office.
- (b) Demolition incendiaries and associated stores may be destroyed by Groups.
- (c) Secret Stores and Equipment

All secret items held by Groups "A" and "C" will be forwarded to S.R.D. Morotai, where they will be held mending further instructions from London. A list of Secret S.O.E. Stores is set out in Appendix B.

#### 5. R.A.N. Stores

Any R.A.N. Stores held by Groups will either:-

- (a) Be handed over to any S.R.D. vessel if the C.O. of the vessel can use such items held.
- (b) Be returned to local R.A.N. Store.

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### 6. A.I.B. Controlled Stores

(a) Groups "A" and "G" will return all A. I.B. controlled stores to Morotai, indicating where applicable the Project from which the stores have been returned.

A list of A.I.B. Controlled Stores is set out in Appendix C.

- (b) It must be borne in mind that certain items of U,S.A. equipment were obtained by the Australian Government on lease-lend, namely, jungle hammocks, jungle boots, windjackets, .45 Auto, pistols, .38 pistols and carbines. From time to time S.R.D. have drawn quantities of these items from Ordnance, and these must now be returned to Ordnance, in order that the Australian Government may make the necessary adjustments with the U.S. Government.
- (c) It is requested that Groups expedite the return of all A.I.B. Stores.

### 7. R.A.A.F. Stores

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### 8. MIS X Equipment

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### 9. S.R.D. Naval Vessels.

When recovering stores from S.R.D. Naval Vessels.

### (a) A.I.B. Stores

All A.I.B. equipment will be returned, less any wireless equipment, though from our records it is very doubtful if any ships are fitted out with A.I.B. wireless.

### (b) S.O.E. Stores

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S.O.E. Stores will be withdrawn, particularly all S-phones, but if the Commanding Officer of the ship is of the opinion that the withdrawing of some S.O.E. equipment, other than S-phones, would affect his ability to navigate or maintain his ship, these items may be retained and remain on charge to the Commanding Officer concerned. It will be necessary for you to check with the Commanding Officers that such S.O.E. items as he may retain are shown in his records as being on charge to him.

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### (c) S.R.D. Stores

All S.R.D. stores will remain on the ships. This includes personal issues of controlled stores to members of the crew, which, however, will remain on the personal charge of all personnel, and these items will be returned to S.R.D. Store when the ships are paid off, or when the ratings are discharge from the ship.

### (d) Australian Army Stores

Australian Army Stores as covered by the original C.O.L. will remain with the ships, and will be on charge of the Commanding Officers, as at present. Commanding Officers will be responsible that regular musters of these stores are taken, so that they will be immediately available for return to Army, if and when the vessel is paid off.

### 10. SUBMARINE CRAFT

- (a) Submarine craft and ancillary equipment will be handed over to local British Naval Authorities as arranged by London with the Admiralty.
- (b) Pending instructions from V.A.Q. Melbourne, all these stores will be concentrated at Morotai.

### 11. B.B.C.A.U.

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Affairs in Melbourne and Adv. M.C. Morotai, that Australian stores may be allotted to B.B.C.A.U. Procedure to be adopted is set out below:-

- (a) Stores may be returned to Ordnance, and earmarked for B.B.C.A.U., who will be advised that items are available, and may be obtained from Ordnance,
- Stores, a Representative of Ordnance and B.B.C.A.U. may effect a transfer on the spot. The same procedure may be carried out w ith stores held ny parties in the field.

# 12. Recovery of Stores in the Field.

return of stores now held by parties in the field as soon as practicable, and the recovery of weapons in the hands of natives.

It is realised that it will be impossible to bring out all stores, but stores left behind, such as amountation, etc., must be destroyed if the Party Leader is of the opinion it is not possible to return or hand over to

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to the appropriate Civil Authority. Either a certificate of destruction or a certificate from the Authority to whom such stores are transferred will be submitted to S.R.D. H.C.

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#### APPENDIX B.

### SECRET STORES S.O.E.

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#### GENERAL PRINCIPALS.

- 1. STAGE 1. (Containing the Jap) since Armistice is now nearly over except on the Limbang.

  STAGE 11. (Arms and Stores) must now be tackled with case and efficiency and speed.

  STAGE 111. (Goodwill and Reward s) will then follow. Then STAGE 1V

  (Shift to Civil Administration).
- 2. At each STAGE more personnel can be released from Interior service. STAGE 11 end about Oct.15. (See appendix of releases).
- 3. First job is therefore to collect all arms compatible with our safety. Full report on exact number and type of all rifles collected and concentrated at each point must be sent, signed and dated, TO BAWANG H.Q., by fastest method on completion of collection.
- 4. Where weapons are 'handed over' to some other person or agency a sig-ned detailed receipt will be forwarded at once to BAWANG H.Q.
- 5. Natives will be rewarded centrally, in STAGE 111, through BAWANG H.Q. In any area where full reward recommendations have not been submitted, these will be completed forthwith.
- 6. In the meanwhile, special attention will be paid to maintaining goodwill of Natives who will be treated with the utmost consider-ation.
- 7. All grieviencies of Natives, however trivial, to be reported back to BAWANG H.Q.
- 8. Carbines, pistols and explosives (including dets fuses etc) are not covered in any of the following orders.

  They will in all cases be returned to BAWANG H.Q. forthwith. Where local forces are to remain armed, they will ONLY return .303 rifles.

  All other .303s and all LMGs, SMGs etc will be collected. Weekly reports to H.Q. will continue as usual.
- 9. On conclusion of STAGE 11, each Sector commander will render full report on winding up.
- 10. Weekly reports to H.Q. will continue as usual.
- 11. Persons on the Coast will take special care:
  - (a) Not to interfere with A.I.F.
  - (b) Not to interfere in any way with Civil Affairs. They are purely liasons and transit personnel.
- 12. Absolute maximum stores economy will from now on be required. All pos-sible stores will be returned to BAWANG (see below). Use of stores
  will be strictly limited.
- 13. It will be necessary for a number of personnel to remain in the country, 2 or 3 for perhaps a long period in the interior. After October 15 they cannot expect ANY maintenance. Therefore, they will be hard put to it and its up to the others to be unselfish soon they will be back in Australia and relative comfort.
- 14. All persons other than Officers will stage through LAWAS for evac--uation to LABUAN. No other route will be used.

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(Lieut Thornton).

Thornton will remain IBURU as i/c PADAS. (In case he is not fit W.O. Mac Pherson will do, so.)

all repeat all weapons are to be returned except 20 rifles 303 to remain as Police at IBURU under direct white control and with register of arms returned here forthwith.

No Tagals are to be armed.

All persons from other places will be repatriated forthwith. All carbines and pistols will be returned here.

All W/T stores will be returned to BAWANG at once. Communication will be by runner from SIPITANG to LAWAS (Pinkerton).

Remaining stores will be distributed to area Natives as reward and sent to BAWANG and all carbines to SIPITANG. (See below).

Hayes, Butt, Onslow, Bower and Griffiths (Bob) to return to LAWAS via MALAMAN and report to Pinkerton for evacuation, forthwith.

They will not repeat not return inland . MacPherson will (presuming Thornton O K) go to SIPITANG and be 1/c there, staging people through. He will NOT ask any stores off A.I.F. not interfere B.B.C.A.U. or Civil Affairs, but act simply as rear link Coast to inland and guard all ARMS.

Sualang to report to BAWANG soonest.

Repatriated men will be given chits to me stating length and quality of service. They can hand in arms at BAWANG to save porterage. All ammo other than that in use IBURU will be destroyed.

#### SECTOR CONTROL.

LONG SEMADOE.

(Fredericks).

Will be used by Thornton as a check staging point for arms and W/T. In adddition all Medical stores from MIOW will be returned to BAWANG. Therefore you will send to BAWANG :

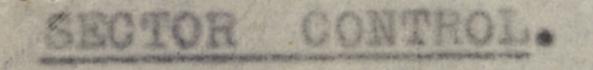
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(Note; If Thornton unfit, MacPherson stays IBURU, and Onslow takes MacPhersons' job at SIPITANG. Rest evacuate as before).

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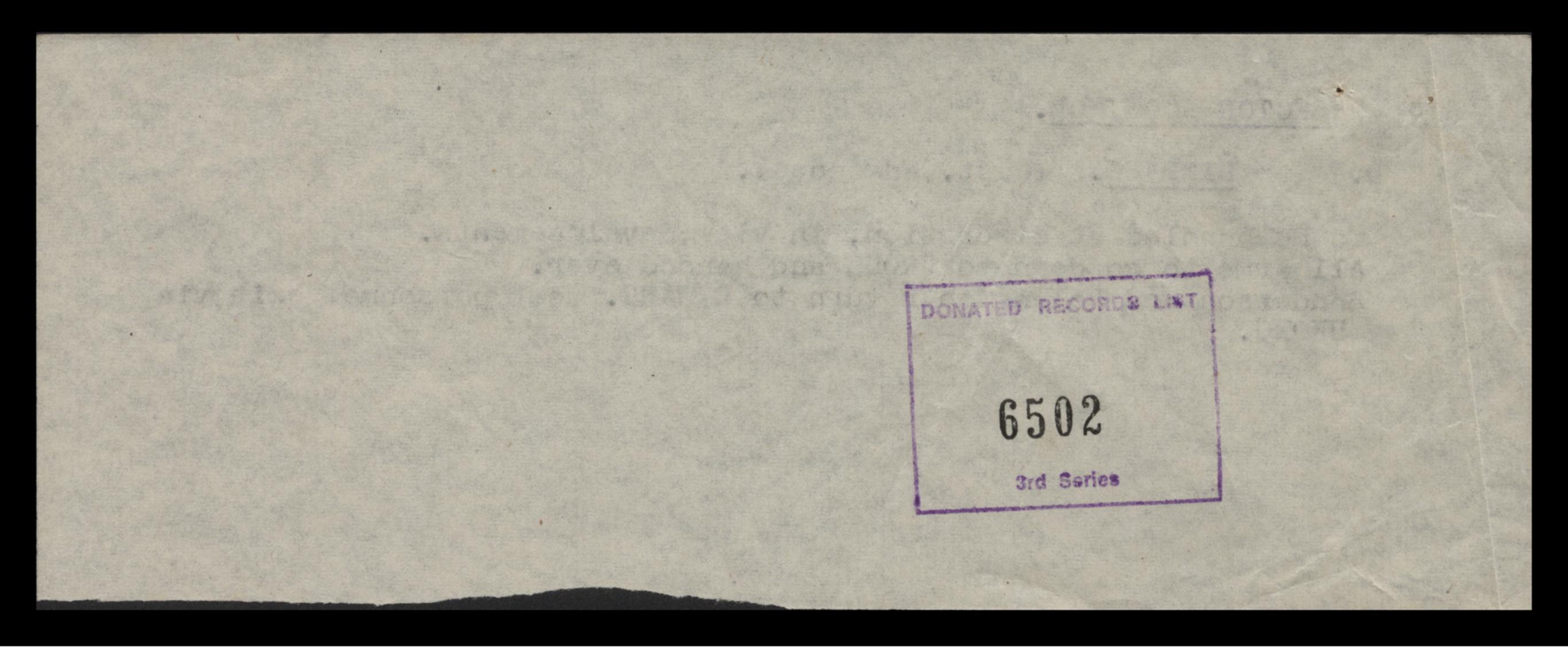


LIMBANG. (Capt. Edmeades).

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All arms to go down to UKONG and handed over.

Sanderson and Bolang to return to BAWANG. Rest personnel exit via UKONG.



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# SECTOR CONTROL.

E. KALABIT Plateau. (Sgt. Bennett).

I will take control later. Meanwhile all arms to remain. In addition to making residency, following to be built:

Large store.

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House for other ranks.

Police barracks for 20 men.

Maximum comfort and best positions.

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## SECTOR CONTROL.

F. LOEMBIS. (Lieut. Westley).

all arms to be brought to LONG BERANG by October 1st with all personnel. I will meet and reward there on or after that date. All WILL await me. Money may be used for feeding Native troops. (\$500 herewith). All to be cleared from SEMBAKONG area also, via Westley.

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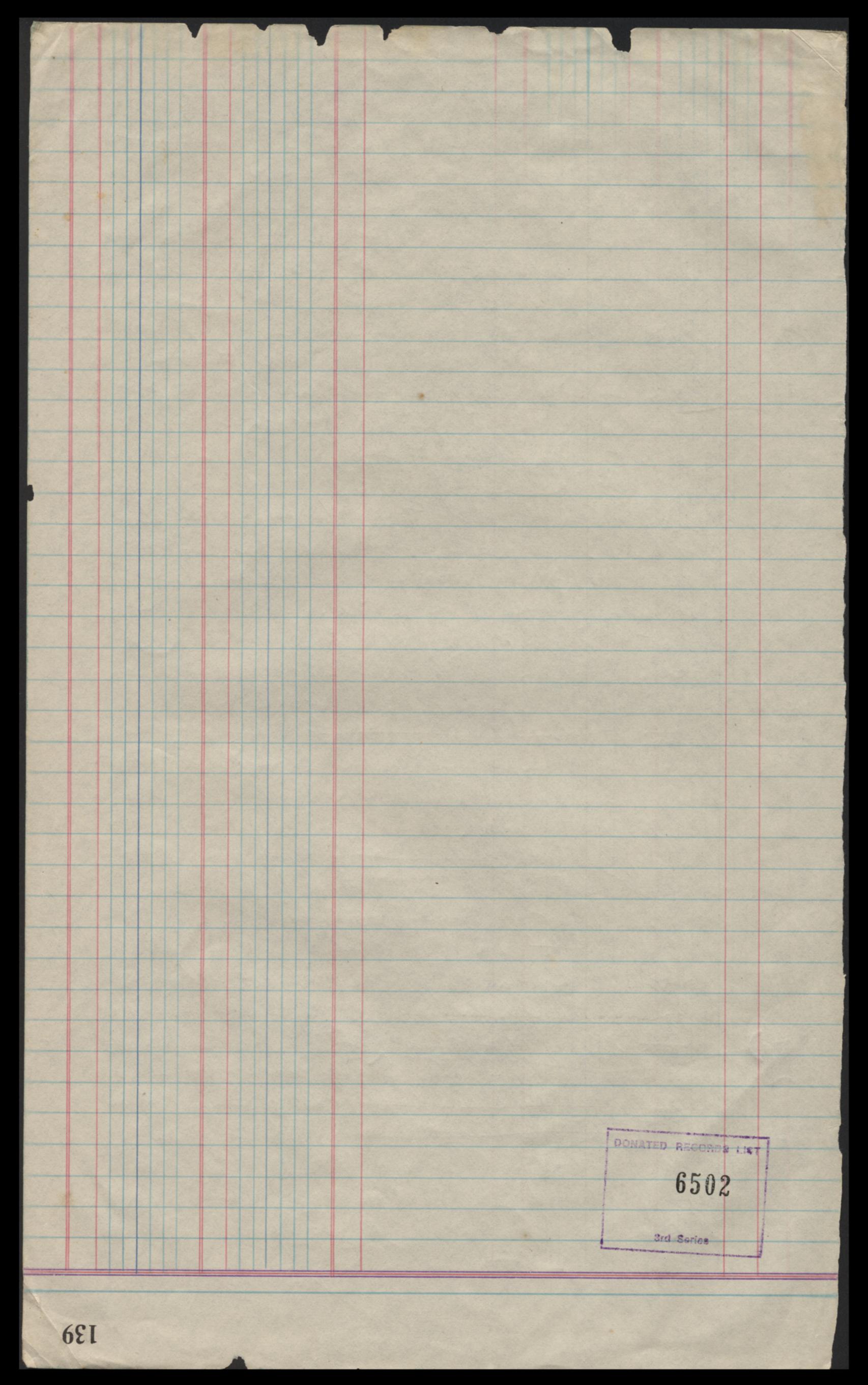
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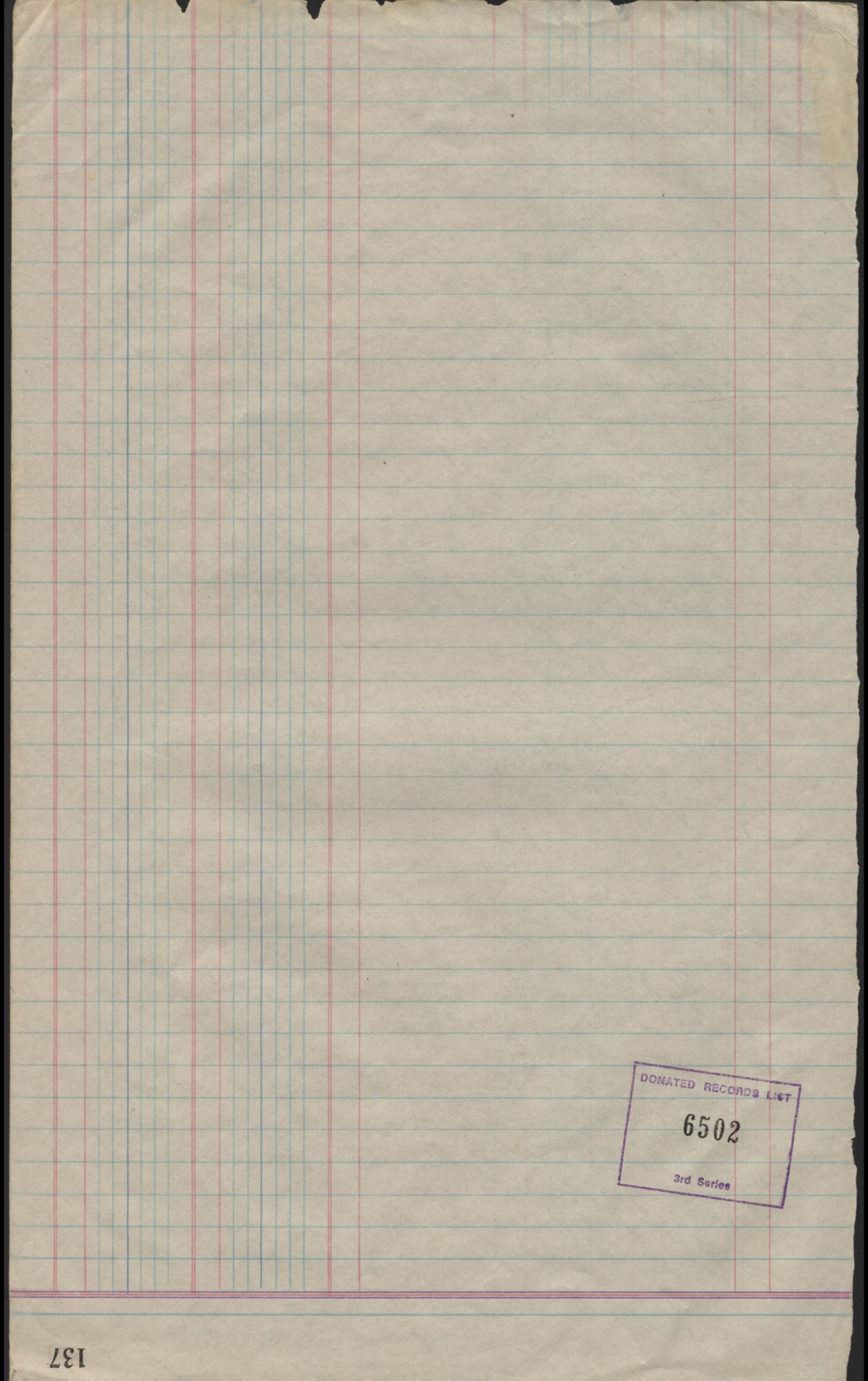
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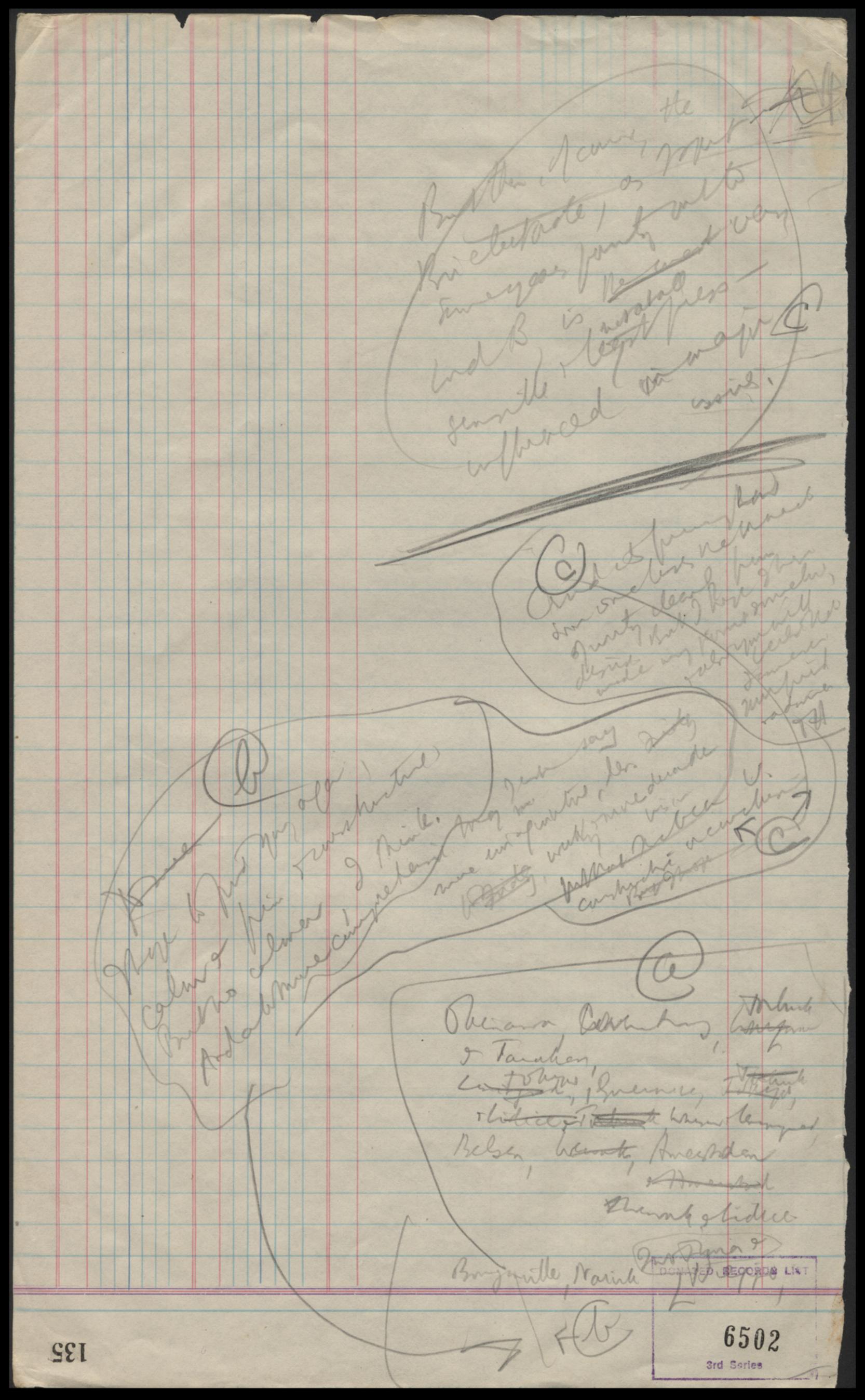
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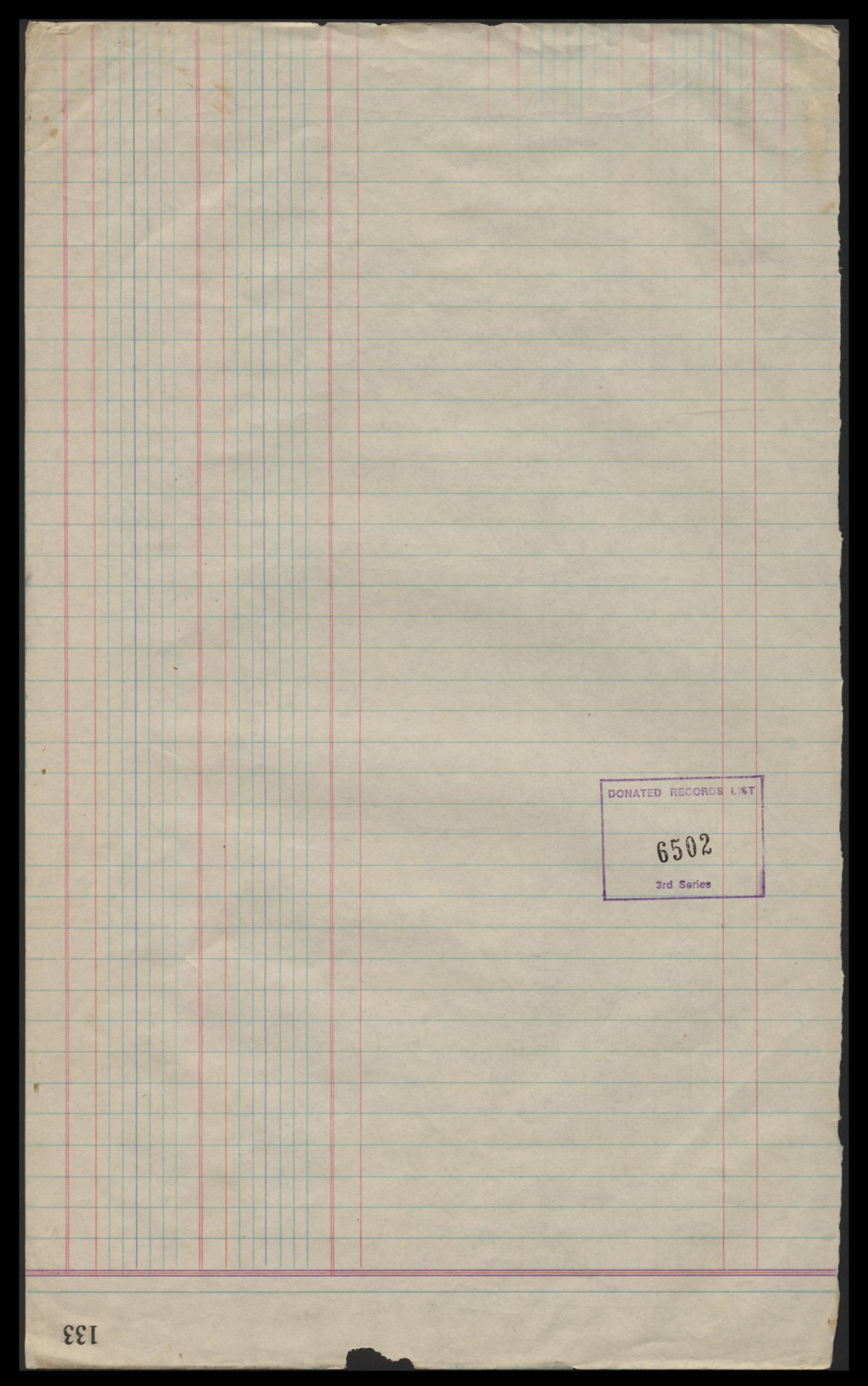
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#### RUBULES OF THE KENYA DAYAK IN APO KAJAN.

PART I.

"Ngamen"means observing some sort of Kenya rules regarding the planting of padi. "Bai" means jungle or soil where planting will be done.

Ist. Day.

Before looking for a plot for planting padi, a Kenya has to hear the chirping of a certain type of bird called ELANG. This type of a bird gives either good or bad omens in their cries as believed by the Kenya natives. At least, it takes a month for an individual person to look for a soil as a plot for planting padi as they has to wait for a good sign as given by the Elang.

If the Kenyas want to begin their new planting of padi again, they must go to a special place, specially erected for notiving the Elang 's flight. This place is "Lasan pelaki". The day alloted for them to watch the flight of the Elang is called "Melaki". During its flight, and if the Elang turns left altering its course, it denotes a bad omen which the Kenyas remark "Abe Maloep". planting padi is still uncertain. They are allowed to go out the next day to watch again the flight of the Elang until a week. If the Elang in its flight, turns right, it denotes a good sign and the Kenyas say "Maloep", which means that all will be well when they do their planting. The tua in the houses will declare 2 days holidays to the long houses All the rest of the people in the long houses must regard these holidays and are forbidden to do any hard work.

"Moko" means holidays to all the Kenyas when the respective old men go to watch the flight of the Elang.

I. Every male in the long houses and also in the padi fa-rms isé not entitled to do any hard work such as hold
-ing parangs, axes and knives.

2. Every female is not entitled to hold needled to mend

her clothes or chopping wood.

3. Moko means too they should observe the rules with re-luctance. Any intruder molesting the rules will have
to pay the fine by pigs, fowls and parangs and other
things to the old men in the long houses; as a result
their holidays may not be spoilt and also their gods
will not be anoyed too when these things are paid to
cover the intruder's fine.

"Naet Bai" is a name given to the oldman who is authorised to the take charge of the rules of the Kenyss
during the "Moko. Besides, the Kenyas also call the old
man "Naet Bai" who go out to watch the flight of the
Elang. Whenever there is a good omen in the Elang's
flight, eggs and chickens are offered as offerings to
the bird which will allow them the coming year's harvest a successful one.

2nd. Day.

"Abe Maloep" means bad sign given by the Elang which turns left in its flight. The must look for another sign the next day.

3rd. Day. During IO days of the Kenyss watching the flight of the Elang, the

During IO days of the Kenyss watching the flight of the Elang, the people in the long houses are not allowed to pound padi into rice or doing any hard work.

IIth. Day.

After the lapse of those TO days alloted to them for watching the flight, they still have bad omen, then all the people in the long houses will have to prepare their food and provision for the coming watching of the Elang's flight. This takes them three days to prepare their provision and food.

14th Day.

Day. If there is no Elang on its flight the next day then the old men simply deld declare that planting is not vet decided.

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When the Elang shows good omen in her flight, then the old men will inform all his people that they must slaughter pigs, chickens and other things as an offerings to the bird which shows a good sign.

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19th. Day. As from this day, there will be another 8 days holidays which they say should be observed in honour of the Boekeng, a type of bird. On the 18th day again, the Kenyas offer things to the bird which they say "Maloep Boekeng" which means that type of the bird agrees or see eye to eye with them regarding their padi planting in the coming season.

There will also be some more meeting among the old men regard -ing the "Moko" which probably may and must be observed, before they really do their planting, clearing and cutting down the forests and burning them for padi planting.

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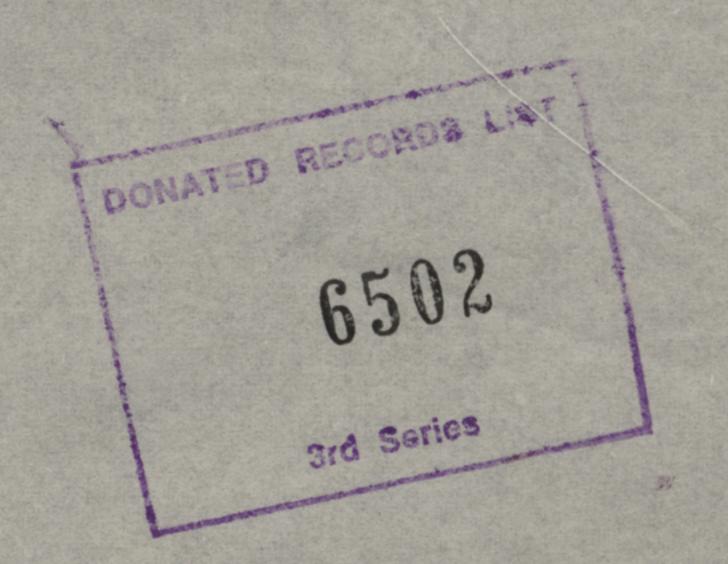
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#### COMMENT ON BIGAR.

- 1. I have carefully studied the file on Bigar.
- 2. I do not myself feel it contains any substantial evidence against him.
- 3. On the contrary, it could be interpreted to a considerable extent as evidence for him.
- 4. The crux of the case is the alleged betrayal of Davidson.
- same testimony, almost word for word, that on his 4th visit to Davidson, Bigar demanded he came down.
- 6. The dramatic reference by Davidson to his thigh, has stuck to BIGAR, and naturally all Davidson's flock followed their leader (see evidence of TAI KELASI proving this allusion was not understood)
- 7. See for instance KAMIS evidence "Mr. Davidson told me so."
- 8. Yet there are serious descrepancis here, and Davidson, from documents previously recovered by us in the Ulu Trusan and sent to Labuan, showed a somewhat excitable and hasty judgement in his later activities and letters. If he was wrong in blaming BIGAR, all this folls, since ALL natives witnesses are clearly following Davidson's lead.
- 9. See for instance Davidson's alleged statement, scarcely Christian in spirit, "if he died Abang Haji and Bigar should also die" (evidence of BARU AGONG)
- 10. Again, witness after witness attests that BIGAR came up 4 times, and only on the last occasion reported Davidson to come down. (See for instance evidence of BARU AGONG BERAOK SINAU BERAOK SINGAR, DAMIT BALANG).
- 11. The substance of this testimony is that, taking each visit in turn.

(i) He came up to meet Davidson, and Davidson met him voluntarily.

(ii) He came up to inform Davidson there were no Japs at Lawss and things were safe - this was true.

(iii) He came up to warn Davidson there were Japs at Lawas - this was true.

- (iv) He came up to say that the Japs knew of Davidson presence and he should come down in the interests of the whites and the natives.
- 12. Bigar, on visit (iv), did not bring any police or use any force.

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13. AGONG BRANGAT'S evidence, however, states that he himself went and got Davidson. He puts the whole onus for pressure on this on ABANG HAJI and the Japs. Had he states the surrender letter was from HAJI.

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- 14. NG HUI SIANG'S evidence refers to "BIGAR pretended to be kind", but again assumes he was decieving. Yet there is no shred of evidence that BIGAR himself ever betrayed the whites, of whose whereabouts he knew for many months before the Japs become aware of it.
- 15. On the contrary, there is evidence he helped them, and SIANG (see also reference to his bringing down Mrs MacLeran and son, in AGONG BRANGAT evidence; these were treated and are safe).
- 16. There is evidence he gave the whites warning of Jap movements, just as he did to S.R.D. 3 years later.
- 17. Moreover, he undoubtably saved the lives of the whites and of many Muruts by bringing Davidson and party down. The promise he carried for safe custody and fair treatment if the whites surrendered was honoured by the Japs, and the party was fairly treated (I hear this direct from Mr. & Mrs SOUTHWELL, who is "Tuan Sapu", and Mr. MORECOMBE, who is "Tuan ULCAM).
- 18. Later, when the same Muruts helped the American airmen, many were imprisoned, tortured and killed by the Japs (see evidence against KOH and many others).
- 19. Much is made by witnessess of the fact that BIGAR prevented Muruts from going with Davidson to BRUNEI. He urged their own safety, the danger to their own lives of going. In my view, his advise was good. Davidson was apparently angry, and wanted to take the natives "to see how he was treated". Davidson clearly expected maltreatment for himself, but was apparently anxious for Muruts to be exposed to the same risk.
- Davidson going to Trusan on his way dow. This testimony is typical of the prejudice. There is no reason at all why, by that route, Davidson was able to tell us the truth of all that had been going on so that when the British recaptured Trusan, we were to tell". This does not make sense.
- 21. Apart from this, the other evidence against BIGAR is in the form of copies of official documents signed by him, such as any officer working for the Jap Government must sign.
- 22. BIGAR, as other Sarawak Government Officials, was instructed to stay at his post and continue to work. He obeyed orders.
- 23. The letter of Feb. 20 is a report on a village headmen in the Ulu Trusan, not originated by BIGAR alone, but signed by HAJI also. The main feature of this letter is the extreme mildness of the punishment as compared with the alleged offences. For aiding whites escaping from Japs, for having spread anti Jap rumours, disobeyed Jap orders, reported to sell rice to Japs, and black marketing, he is simply to be replaced by a substitute as head of the village.

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- The other documents are trivial and inrelevant.

  They merely show BIGAR doing his normal job under Jap orders, and shew no sentiment or misdemeanour.
- 25. Finally, MY own TESTIMONY.
- blear was the first man in all coastal Borneo to help S.R.D. He offered his services as soon as he heard of us, and without our approaching him. He provided us with MOST valuable reports on Jap movements in the area, which were of direct value to the AIF in planning and executing landings. He did this, of course, at the risk of his life. And before there was local evidence or knowledge of pending white landings or victory.
- 27. Whereas most others did nothing, in Lawas and elsewhere, to help he did all he could. He never gave the Japs any hint our presence.
- As soon as possible, he joined us in person, to administer inland. His services were of the highest value.
- I have at all times found BIGAR a loyal, hardworking man, with a genuine concern, above all, for the welfare of the native.
- It is a weak man, but his heart is, I think, good.
  I consider he has suffered greatly from hasty
  judgement by one white man, who was not in a
  position or frame of mind to consider all the facts.
- No one has accused him of corruption, profit or ambition. And the really substantial witnessess such as the Dato of Kuala Lawas do not name him as a collaborator.
- 32. In brief, Bigar's disrepute hinges on Davidson, who is now unfortunately dead, and so unable to re examine the facts in light of later events.
- Bigar is himself a devout Christian, which adds to the kmarchakktyxafkkkakhatraying improbalilty of his betraying the best liked of Christian missionaries.
- Incidentally the evidence of NG MUI SIANG is not in my view, admissible as evidence against anyone. This unhappy woman suffered severe mental strain, and for a time lost her memory.

(Major S.R.D.)

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