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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

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Headquarters, Pacific Command,
Vancouver, B.C.

April 2nd, 1943.

The Secretary,
National Defence Headquarters,
OTTAWA, Ontario.District Court-Martial
K-37149, Tpr. E.E. Cowx,
No. XI District Depot, CA.

CENTRAL REGISTRY Army CONF. SEC.	
File	55-C-530
Chgt. to	
Referred to	J.H.S.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your H.Q.C. 55-C-530 dated 23rd March, 1943 re the m/n case.

2. The explanation of the delay in this matter is as follows:- This man surrendered on the 2nd of February, 1943 to one of the Provost Corps and N.D.H.Q. was notified on the 3rd. On the 11th of February a wire was sent to the Officer i/c Records for the man's documents and the documents were received at the Depot on the 18th of February and turned over to the Intelligence Office on the 19th for action. It required February 20th and 21st (Saturday and Sunday) to prepare certified true copies of the necessary documents and documentary evidence. Under ordinary circumstances the Summary of Evidence should have been held on the 22nd February, but as the shorthand stenographer Cpl. of the C.W.A.C. had been taken away by the C.W.A.C. for her commission and the other C.W.A.C. shorthand writer was in quarantine there was only one stenographer available at the Depot and this matter had to be delayed until the 24th of February. There was no unnecessary delay other than that caused through sickness and the shortage of shorthand writers.

J.H.S.
Major-General,
G.O.C.-in-C., Pacific Command.

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