ARMY SERVICE FORCES Ninth Service Command Headquarters Prisoner of War Camp Fort Lewis, Washington

6 October 1944

CERTIFICATE

To the best information and belief of the undersigned, the undersigned makes this statement as follows:

- 1. Company One moved into this Stockade on 12 March 1944 with 300 Prisoners of War and 600 blankets.
- 2. Expecting a total of 3000 Prisoners of War in the Stockade a requisition was made for 5400 more blankets.
- 3. On the fifteenth of March, 3000 blankets were received and distributed to the Companies expecting Prisoners of War based on 250 men and 500 blankets per Company.
- 4. The Quartermaster demanded that these blankets be returned because they were not the ones which should have been issued. These blankets were not returned until later.
- 5. On the afternoon of the sixteenth of March we received blankets to replace the ones refered to in paragraph 4 of which 240 were not useable.
- 6. The receiving of Prisoners of War at 0400 on the seventeenth made it necessary to move all of the blankets refered to in paragraph 3 to the Supply Room of Company 1 from which they removed later and returned to the Quartermaster.
- 7. It is undersigns belief that the 3000 blankets refered to in paragraph 3 were returned the first part of April 1944 because an adjustment was made where this Stockade received 3015 blankets and 3015 comforters in place of the 6000 blankets originaly planned on.

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