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HEADQUARTERS
503D REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM
Office of the S-3

FROM: 161500 May 45.
TO : 171500 May 45.

S-3 PERIODIC REPORT

No. 37.

MAP: NEGROS I. PHOTO #28; 1/25,000.

1. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See overlay.

2. WEATHER AND VISIBILITY: Cool, heavy overcast, intermittent rain; visibility limited.

3. OUR OPERATIONS:

a. Infantry:

(1) 1st Bn: Nil activity night 16-17. Co "A" patrol through deep ravine S of RCT sector to vicinity (13.2-10.2) reported nil activity. Co "C" patrol to (11.5-11.4) reported nil activity.

(2) 2d Bn: Nil activity night 16-17. "E" Co patrol reconnoitering E for route up HILL 4055 reached river vicinity (13.3-11.4). No trail found and no enemy contacted. An "F" Co patrol reached vicinity (15.4-11.3) and was making a trail for a Bn advance to that area. Nil enemy contact. A second "F" Co patrol reached summit of HILL 3355 after following "SECRET TRAIL" SE. The trail swung NE along a ridge to the top. Nil enemy contact at end of period; however the patrol had not returned.

b. Artillery: Eight harrassing missions night of 16-17 and two fire missions during the 17th.

c. Engineers: Supply route maintenance, mainly by hand due to heavy recent rains.

4. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: Nil contact by either lateral patrols or patrols along projected RCT route of advance. A trail was cut to enable supplies to reach troops which will occupy the RCT objective. This trail reaches approximately to that objective.

