

With the United States Armed Forces,  
Subic Bay,  
Republic of the Philippines.

8 July, 1969.

AFFIDAVIT

On 7 July 1969 I carried out an examination of a document at the request of Counsel for the Board of investigation into the MELBOURNE/EVANS collision.

The description of the document, the purpose, and the results of my examination are contained in the report of findings annexed hereto and marked with the letter "A".

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Supervisor,  
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Subic Bay.

I, H.B. ROBERTSON, Jr., CAPT. JAGC, USN, the undersigned officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument was subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day July, 1969, by Antonio Macha Laurito, who is known to me to be a person employed by the U.S. Armed Forces. And I do further certify that I am at the date of this certificate, a commissioned officer of the grade, branch of service, and organization stated below in the active service of the United States Armed Forces, that by statute no seal is required on this certificate, and same is executed in my capacity as a Judge Advocate.

*H.B. Robertson, Jr.*  
H.B. ROBERTSON, Jr.  
CAPT, JAGC, USN, 447857/2500  
Staff Judge Advocate  
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UNITED STATES NAVAL BASE  
Subic Bay, Philippines  
CONSOLIDATED BASE SECURITY DEPARTMENT  
Identification Division

SUBJECT MATTER

Questioned Document Examination  
LOCATION OF OFFENSE

TRF NO.

69 0707 4079

Refer to: Board of Investigation Report  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY AND ADDRESS

OFFENSE NO.

LCDR BIGELOW, Member, Board of Investigation on MELBOURNE EVANS Case  
PLACE OF EXAMINATION

DATE EXAMINED

1000 hrs 7 Jul 1969

Identification Branch, IBD, CBSD, USNB, Subic Bay, Philippines  
PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION

DATE OF THIS REPORT

0800 hrs 8 Jul 1969

To determine whether the downward terminal stroke of letter "d" in "hard" superimposes the upper horizontal bar of letter "E" in "EVANS" or vice-versa at the point of intersection.

Specimen was submitted by LCDR BIGELOW on 7 Jul 1969.

SPECIMEN EXAMINED

The point of intersection between the downward terminal stroke of letter "d" in "hard" and the upper horizontal bar of letter "E" in "EVANS" appearing on leaf dated and timed 2nd June 1969 and 2012 hrs respectively of the Communication Operator's Log Book labeled as "EX-12".

RESULT OF EXAMINATION

A microscopic examination of the specimen examined reveals the presence of well-defined edges and pressure in the downward terminal stroke of letter "d" in "hard" predominate. (See photomicrograph copy, enclosure #1).

CONCLUSION/OPTION

THAT THE DOWNWARD TERMINAL STROKE OF LETTER "d" IN "hard" SUPERIMPOSES THE UPPER HORIZONTAL BAR OF LETTER "E" IN "EVANS" AT THE POINT OF INTERSECTION.

REMARKS

This case is closed as far as the examination of the above mentioned specimen is concerned.

SUBMITTED BY (Technician on case)

VERIFIED BY (Chief, Identification Division)

*R. V. Laufer*  
R. V. LAUFER, Supervisor, Identification Branch, IBD, CBSD, Subic Bay

NOTED BY (Security Officer)

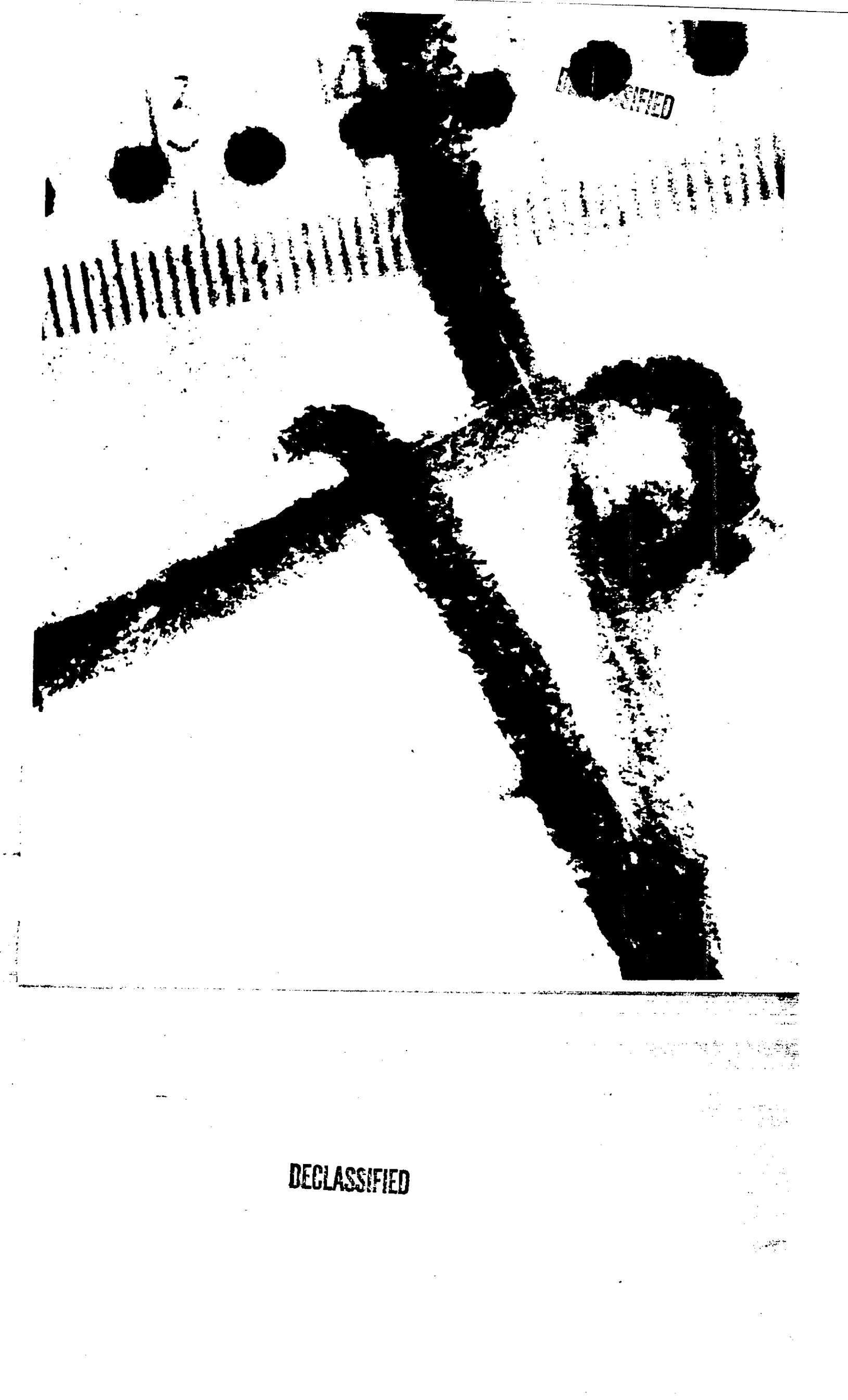
APPROVED BY (Assistant Director of Security)

*W. J. Robertson*  
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