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Ex-Japanese Prisoner of War  
Palawan, Bilibid, Hongkong, Taiwan,  
and Tokyo.

To: the Mayor,  
Puerto Princesa,  
Palawan, Philippine Islands.

Subject: Return visit to Puerto  
Princesa prison camp area.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I was a prisoner of war in the Palawan prison camp from 1 August 1942 to 22 August 1944 when the camp was divided in half. 163 men remained and 146 men including myself were taken aboard a Japanese ship which laid at anchor in the Puerto Princesa Bay till 14th September.

We have been invited back to the Islands by President Marcos for April 9th, Bataan Day, the National Holiday, to take part in the official functions for that day, also known as "Balik Kawal" (soldier's return). We will arrive Manila Saturday 2nd April and depart Sunday evening 17th April. During this period we definitely intend to visit Puerto Princesa. I have written another Palawan prisoner and ask them to join us.

We will have to wait until we arrive Manila to finalize our plans (the how? and when? (date) we would get to come) and the type or schedule of transportation available.

Any advanced information or advice your office could furnish on the subject matter would be truly appreciated.

Respectfully, *Hubert D. Hough*  
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