From: Commanding Officer.
To: Commanding Officer, LCI 337.
Via: Commander, SEVENTH Amphibious Force.

Subject: Letter of Appreciation.

1. The officers and crew of the Gambier Bay desire to express their appreciation of the hospitality and comfort tendered by you and your ship’s company after rescuing us off the shores of Samar Island on 27 October 1944.

2. The efficient manner in which you accommodated, under extremely crowded conditions, the exhausted and many wounded survivors reflects great credit on you and those under your command. The open hearted generosity of your individual officers and men was such as to bring the warmest praise and heart felt thanks from those who benefited thereby.

W. V. R. VIEWEG.